

ICPR RECRUITMENT EXAM - ASSISTANT

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1. Consider the statement given below and decide which of the assumptions are implicit.

Statement: The Union Government has decided to withdraw existing tax relief on various small savings schemes in a phased manner to augment its tax collection.

Assumptions:

- I. People may still continue to keep money in small savings schemes and also pay taxes.
- II. The total tax collection may increase substantially.
- (a) if only **Assumption I** is implicit
(b) if only **Assumption II** is implicit
(c) if neither **Assumption I** nor **Assumption II** is implicit
(d) if both **Assumption I** and **Assumption II** are implicit

2. "The college has finally received accreditation and has gained the status of deemed university".

Which of the following can be the possible effect of the above statement?

- (a) The principal of the college will now have to be retained by Government official.
(b) Number of students seeking admission to this college in the next academic year would drop significantly.
(c) The college will charge lesser fees from all its students despite not getting grant from the Government.
(d) The reputation of the college amongst the students' population in general has improved.

3. Select the appropriate analogy:

VICUNA : CAMEL :: BEPEC : ?

- (a) VIOLIN
(b) TRUMPET
(c) HARP
(d) HARMONIUM

4. Select the appropriate analogy.

Funk : Vitamins :: Curie : ?

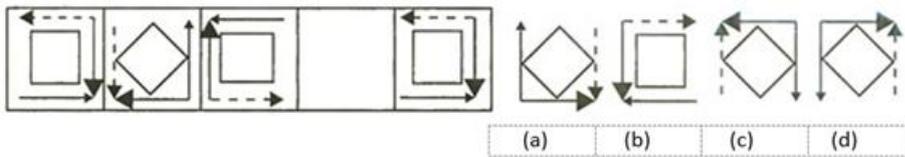
- (a) Uranium
- (b) Radium
- (c) Radioactivity
- (d) Photography

5. Choose the correct alternative showing same relationship as between the given words.

Iron : Silver : Gold

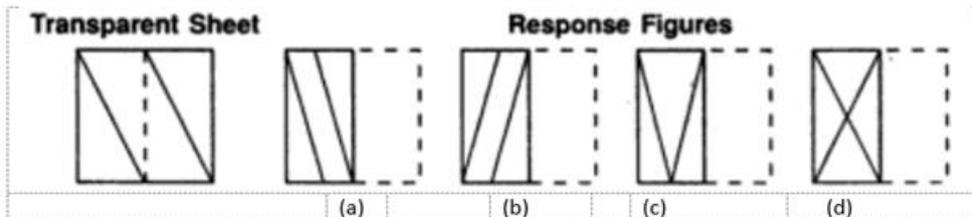
- (a) **Parents : Father : Mother**
- (b) **Wheat : Barley : Cereal**
- (c) **Tree : Branch : Fruit**
- (d) **Deer : Lion : Wolf**

6. Which image on the right is missing from the series? Select the correct letter.



- (a) (a)
- (b) (b)
- (c) (c)
- (d) (d)

7. Find the response figure that resembles the transparent sheet when it is folder.



- (a) (a)
- (b) (b)
- (c) (c)
- (d) (d)

8. In the figure given below, the 'CIRCLE' represents 'YOUNG PERSONS', the 'TRIANGLE' represents 'UNEDUCATED PERSONS' and the 'RECTANGLE' represents 'EMPLOYED PERSONS'. Which number represents YOUNG, UNEDUCATED and UNEMPLOYED persons?



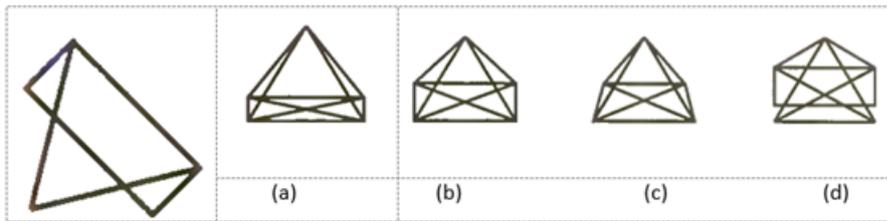
- (a) 3
- (b) 6
- (c) 5
- (d) 2

9. Which one set of letters when sequentially placed at the **gaps** in the given letter series shall complete it?

d_fdde_ddef__efd

- (a) efdd
- (b) ddfd
- (c) ffdd
- (d) defd

10. Which image on the right contains the image on the left? Select the correct letter.



- (a) (a)
- (b) (b)
- (c) (c)
- (d) (e)

11. You are the officer in charge of a village administering distribution of vaccine in an isolated epidemic hit village and you are left with only one vaccine. There is a requirement of that vaccine from the Gram Pradhan and also a poor villager. You are being pressurised by the Gram Pradhan to issue the vaccine to him. What would you do?
- (a) Initiate the procedure to expedite the next supply without issuing the vaccine to either.
 - (b) Arrange vaccine for the poor villager from the distributor of another area.
 - (c) Ask both to approach a doctor and get an input about the urgency.
 - (d) Arrange vaccine for the Gram Pradhan from the distributor of another area.
12. In a nearby forest of your district, a wide range of flora and fauna are regularly being destroyed. The main reason for the destruction of the valuable forest resources is forest fire. The forest fire is not caused naturally, but is man made. people are not aware of the ecosystem and effects of its destruction. You are a responsible citizen and also aware of the consequences of degrading biodiversity. You will:
- (a) Ask the people to stop setting forest on fire and tell them that it destroys flora and fauna.
 - (b) Take the help of NGO, which works for nature and ecology to make the people aware of the effects of destroying plants and animals.
 - (c) You know that people do not listen to you as you are not in an authoritative position, so do not tell the people anything.
 - (d) You alone start spreading awareness among the people.
13. Earthquakes are one of the most fearful natural disasters. Most of the times, it is impossible to predict or even give the people instructions for their safety after the occurrence of the quake. Hence, it is essential to be prepared to deal with this unforeseen disaster. **As a measure of preparedness what precautionary measure would you think are better practices.**
- (a) Review of existing seismic zoning maps and risk maps, review of seismic codes and norms of constructions.
 - (b) Training of personnel, engineers, architects, builders and masons.
 - (c) Inculcate knowledge amongst the school children on do's and don'ts during the earthquake along with mock drills on safety measures.
 - (d) All of the above.
14. One morning when you are going for your morning walk, you see that an aircraft crashed and fell down in the outskirts of your village. What would be your response?
- (a) You start shouting
 - (b) Go there and yourself try to rescue those who are injured
 - (c) Go to police to tell them about the accident
 - (d) Go back to the village to call other people for help.

15. There is a '**Juvenile Correctional Centre**' nearby your vicinity, where you get information about child sexual abuses taking place on a regular basis. How would you react to such an issue?
- (a) Approach the police and file a FIR invoking the POCSO Act.
 - (b) Visit the centre and inform the authorities of the POCSO Act.
 - (c) Visit the centre with a doctor to carry out an independent investigation.
 - (d) File a PIL against the sexual abuse of the children in correctional centres.
16. Garima is a strange liar. She lies on six days of the week but on the seventh day she always tells the truth. She made the following statement on three successive days.
- Day 1 - I lie on Monday and Tuesday.
- Day 2 - Today, its Thursday, Saturday or Sunday.
- Day 3 - I lie on Wednesday and Friday.
- On which day Garima tells the truth?
- (a) Sunday
 - (b) Tuesday
 - (c) Friday
 - (d) Saturday
17. If every second Saturday and Sundays are holidays in a 30 day month beginning on Saturday, then how many working days are there in that month?
- (a) 23 days
 - (b) 20 days
 - (c) 30 days
 - (d) 25 days
18. If the present ages of Nandu and Shobhit are 20-yr and 24 yr respectively, then find the ratio between the age of Nandu (before 4 yr) and Shobhit (after 4 yr).
- (a) 5 : 9
 - (b) 4 : 7
 - (c) 2 : 3
 - (d) 5 : 6

19. Keshav knows that Sudha's marks are more than 3 but less than 8 in a unit test. Sonia knows that these are more than 6 but less than 10. If both of them are correct, then which of the following statements about Sudha's marks is definitely true?
- (a) It has only one value
 - (b) It has any of three values
 - (c) It has either of the two values
 - (d) It has any of the four values
20. The bell of a temple rings at a regular interval of 45 minutes. The last bell had rung 5 minutes ago and the next bell is going to ring at 7:45 am. What is the time right now.
- (a) 6:55 am
 - (b) 7:40 am
 - (c) 7:05 am
 - (d) None of the Above
21. NITI Aayog recently launched a Report on Electric Vehicles which presents a timely and comprehensive assessment of current challenges while highlighting major unlocks essential to accelerate India's Electric Mobility transition. What is the name of the Report?
- (a) Unlocking a \$200 Billion opportunity: Electric Vehicles in India
 - (b) Unravelling the hidden potential: Electric Vehicles in India
 - (c) Future of automobile sector in India – Electric Vehicles
 - (d) Electric Vehicles in India – A 20 lakh crore opportunity
22. Carbon Pricing is a policy tool that puts a financial cost on greenhouse gas emission, primarily carbon dioxide, to incentivize the following:
- (a) Reduction in pollution and promoting a shift towards cleaner energy sources
 - (b) Increase in carbon footprint and exploring new resources
 - (c) Exploring new ways of harnessing non- renewable energy
 - (d) Increase in GDP of the country
23. Recently India's Ministry of Power has approved 8 crediting methodologies for generating voluntary carbon credits. It does **NOT** include the following technique:
- (a) Renewable Energy
 - (b) Green Hydrogen Production
 - (c) Industrial Energy Efficiency
 - (d) Corporate CSR activities

24. Shubhanshu Shukla became the first Indian to visit the International Space Station conducting vital scientific experiments that pave the way for India's future human spaceflight missions. He was part of which mission?
- (a) SpaceX Crew-10
 - (b) Axiom Mission 4
 - (c) Soyuz MS-27
 - (d) Progress MS-30
25. By 2030, India is set to become the world's third-largest economy with a projected GDP of:
- (a) \$7.3 trillion
 - (b) \$8.5 trillion
 - (c) \$20.5 trillion
 - (d) \$10.6 trillion
26. Which of the following is **NOT** a key feature of India's **New Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2023**?
- (a) Promotion of export incentives and ease of doing business
 - (b) Focus on emerging sectors like e-commerce and high-tech products
 - (c) Introduction of a one-time Amnesty Scheme for clearing pending authorizations
 - (d) Complete removal of all export documentation requirements
27. What is Repo Rate?
- (a) The rate at which the government borrows money from commercial banks.
 - (b) The rate at which commercial banks borrow money from the central bank.
 - (c) The rate at which the central bank lends money to foreign governments.
 - (d) The rate at which consumers borrow money from banks.
28. Which of the following is **NOT** an effect of an **increased repo rate**?
- (a) Reduced borrowing.
 - (b) Increased spending
 - (c) Lower demand
 - (d) Reduced inflation
29. Which Article of the Indian Constitution guarantees the Right to Equality?
- (a) Article 32

- (b) Article 19
- (c) Article 14
- (d) Article 21

30. Under which Article can the President of India proclaim a National Emergency due to war, external aggression, or armed rebellion?

- (a) Article 352
- (b) Article 350
- (c) Article 356
- (d) Article 370

31. The March 2025 'State of the Global Climate' Report terms which year as the hottest year ever recorded?

- (a) 2019
- (b) 2022
- (c) 2023
- (d) 2024

32. Which date is celebrated as '**Jan Aushadhi Diwas**' in India, every year?

- (a) 2nd July
- (b) 19th September
- (c) 7th March
- (d) 8th December

33. Which Harappan city was awarded UNESCO World Heritage site tag in the year 2021?

- (a) Rakhigarhi
- (b) Dholvira
- (c) Lothal
- (d) Banwali

34. What is the full name of NITI Aayog?

- (a) National Institution to Transform India Aayog.
- (b) National Institute for Transforming India Aayog.
- (c) National Institution for Transforming India Aayog.
- (d) National Institute of Technology and Innovation Aayog.

35. Who was the first Chairperson of Constituent Assembly of India established in 16th May 1946?
- (a) Dr. B.R. Ambedkar
 - (b) Mr. Sachitanand Sinha
 - (c) Mr. B.N. Rau
 - (d) Dr. Rajendra Prasad
36. Which states have the highest number of surfaced Roads in India?
- (a) Utter Pradesh
 - (b) Gujarat
 - (c) Maharashtra
 - (d) Karnataka
37. What is the name of the major highway, economic corridor and expressway development scheme of Government in India, launched in 2015?
- (a) Bharat Mala
 - (b) Bharat Sugam
 - (c) Bharat Jodo
 - (d) Bharat Swarna
38. Which States in India have the major Copper Mines?
- (a) Odisha, Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh
 - (b) Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, Rajasthan
 - (c) West Bengal, Assam and Nagaland
 - (d) Maharashtra, Kerala and Andhra Pradesh
39. Which one of the following items has gained the highest growth rate in the import composition of the Indian Economy in the last decade?
- (a) Project Goods
 - (b) Iron and Steel
 - (c) Petroleum Products
 - (d) Cotton Accessories

40. The Government of India fixes the Minimum Support Prices after taking into account the recommendations of which among the following bodies?

- (a) Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
- (b) Cabinet Committee of Economic Affairs
- (c) Planning Commission
- (d) Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices

41. A student attempted 24 questions and secured full marks in all of them. If he obtained 40 % in the test and each question carried equal marks, then what was the total number of questions in the test?

- (a) 30
- (b) 40
- (c) 60
- (d) 70

42. In a town 25% families own a phone and 15% own a car. 65% families own neither a phone nor a car. 2000 families own both a phone and a car.

Consider the following statements in this regard.

1. 10% families own both a car and a phone.
2. 35% families own either a car or a phone
3. 40000 families live in the town.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- (a) 1 & 2
- (b) 1 & 3
- (c) 2 & 3
- (d) 1, 2 & 3

43. A shopkeeper sells tables at Rs. 1500 each. He earned a profit of 20 % on one table and suffered a loss of 20 % on another table. Net profit or loss in this deal is:

- (a) 4% Loss
- (b) 4% Profit
- (c) 10% Loss
- (d) 10% Profit

44. A shopkeeper marks the prices of his goods at 25% higher than the original price. After that, he allows a discount of 12%. What profit or loss did he make?
- (a) 10% Profit
 - (b) 15% Profit
 - (c) 10% Loss
 - (d) 15% Loss
45. If the price of coal be raised by 25%, then find by how much a householder must reduce his consumption of this commodity, so as not to increase his expenditure?
- (a) 15%
 - (b) 20%
 - (c) 30%
 - (d) 45%
46. The ratio of present ages of Suresh and Mahesh is 7:5. If after 6 years their ages will be in the ratio of 4:3, the present age of Mahesh is:
- (a) 32 years
 - (b) 36 years
 - (c) 30 years
 - (d) 34 years
47. If 10 spiders can catch 10 flies in 10 minutes, then how many flies can catch 200 spiders in 200 min?
- (a) 2000
 - (b) 1000
 - (c) 4000
 - (d) 200
48. Mixture of milk and water has been kept in two separate containers. Ratio of milk to water in one of the containers is 5:1 and that in the other container is 7:2. In what ratio the mixtures of these two containers should be added together so that the quantity of milk in the new mixture may become 80%?
- (a) 2 : 3
 - (b) 3 : 2
 - (c) 4 : 5
 - (d) 5 : 4

49. A, B and C started a business by investing Rs. 28000, Rs. 35000 and Rs. 14000, respectively. At the end of a year, they got a total profit of Rs. 5225. Find A's share.
- (a) Rs.1740
 - (b) Rs.1850
 - (c) Rs.1900
 - (d) Rs.1650
50. There are three sections A, B and C in a school of class I. The ratio of students in sections A and B is 3:5 and that in B and C is 4:7. If the total number of students in the class be 201, then the number of students in section A are:
- (a) 24
 - (b) 36
 - (c) 48
 - (d) 42
51. What is the percentage profit made by selling an umbrella at a certain price, if by selling at $\frac{2}{3}$ rd of that price, there would be a loss of 10%?
- (a) 25%
 - (b) 30%
 - (c) 35%
 - (d) None of these
52. A manufacturer of a certain item can sell all he can produce at the selling price of Rs. 60 each. It costs him Rs. 40 in materials and labour to produce each item and he has overhead expenses of Rs. 3000 per week in order to operate that plant. The number of units he should produce and sell in order to make a profit of at least Rs. 1000 per week, is _____.
- (a) 400
 - (b) 250
 - (c) 300
 - (d) 200
53. A man sold an article at a loss of 25 %. If he sells the article for Rs. 21 more, then he would have got gain of 10% . The Cost Price of the article is _____.
- (a) Rs. 56
 - (b) Rs. 84
 - (c) Rs. 60
 - (d) Rs. 92

54. Out of three annual exams, each of maximum marks of 600 Lalit scored average marks of 55 % and 60 % in the first two exams. How many marks should Lalit score in third exam to make his overall average equal to 70%?
- (a) 560
 - (b) 570
 - (c) 590
 - (d) 500
55. A batsman has a certain average of runs for 14th innings. He scores 72 runs in the 15th innings, thus his average increase by 2. Find the average after 15th innings.
- (a) 44
 - (b) 42
 - (c) 46
 - (d) 48
56. The average age of a group of 10 friends is 10 years. If one of the friend leaves the group but at his place another friend whose age is 22 years joins the group, the average age becomes 8 years. Find the age of friend who left the group.
- (a) 40 years
 - (b) 44 years
 - (c) 42 years
 - (d) 46 years
57. The efficiency of Ramil is twice that of Sanjay and he can finish a work in 4 hours less than the time taken by Sanjay. If both of them work together they can finish the same work in:
- (a) 8 hours
 - (b) 3 hours
 - (c) $\frac{8}{3}$ hours
 - (d) $\frac{4}{3}$ hours
58. A woman can weave a basket in 6 days. But with the help of her daughter, she can complete the work in 4 days. In what time can the daughter alone do the work?
- (a) 12 days
 - (b) 16 days
 - (c) 8 days

(d) 10 days

59. Three taps A, B and C together can fill a tank in 6 hours. After working 2 hours C is closed and the tank was filled in 8 hours more. Find the time in which C alone can fill the tank?

- (a) 12 hours
- (b) 14 hours
- (c) 16 hours
- (d) 18 hours

60. A contract is to be completed in 92 days and 234 men set to work, each working 16 hours day. After 6·6 days, $\frac{4}{7}$ of the work is completed. How many additional men may be employed, so that the work may be completed in time, each man now working 18 ha day?

- (a) 181
- (b) 262
- (c) 162
- (d) 234

English Grammar and Comprehension

Read the following passage carefully and then answer these questions based on what is stated or implied in the passage.

If life exists on Mars, it is most likely to be in the form bacteria buried deep in the planet's permafrost or lichens growing within rocks, say scientists from NASA. There might even be fossilised Martian algae locked up in ancient lake beds, waiting to be found. Christopher McKay of NASA's Ames Research Centre in California told the AAAS that exobiologists, who look for life on other planets, should look for clues among the life forms of the Earth's ultra-cold regions, where conditions are similar to those on Mars. "Lichens, for example are found within some Antarctic rocks, just beneath the surface where sunlight can still reach them. The rock protects the lichen from cold and absorbs water providing enough for the lichen's need," said McKay.

Bacteria have also been found in 3-million-year-old permafrost dug up from Siberia. If there are any bacteria alive on Mars today, they would have had to have survived from the time before the planet cooled more than 3 billion years ago. Nevertheless, McKay is optimistic, "It may be possible that bacteria frozen into the permafrost at the Martian South Pole may be viable."

McKay said, "Algae are found in Antarctic lakes with permanently frozen surfaces. Although no lakes are thought to exist on Mars, they might have existed long ago. If so, the dried-out Martian Lake beds may contain the fossilised remains of algae." "On Earth, masses of microscopic algae form large, layered structures known as stromatolites, which survive as fossils on lake beds and the putative" Martian said, Jack Farmer, one of McKay's colleagues. The researchers are compiling a list of promising Martian Lake beds to be photographed from spacecraft" said farmer. Those photographs could help to select sites for landers that would search for signs of life, past or present." "If we find algae on Mars, I would say the Universe is lousy with algae," McKay said. "Intelligence would be another question."

61. The passage is primarily concerned with:
- (a) The possibility of life on Mars.
 - (b) Selecting sites for Landers on Mars.
 - (c) Research on Mars.
 - (d) Findings of Christopher McKay on Mars.
62. Lichens survive in the extreme cold conditions of Antarctica on Earth for all the following reasons, except:
- (a) Some Antarctic rocks protect lichens beneath their surface.
 - (b) Bacteria in the Antarctic frost protect Lichen from the residual cold after the rock absorbs water.

- (c) Sunlight penetrates the surface of the Antarctic rock where Lichen grows.
- (d) The Antarctic rocks protect the Lichen from cold by absorbing water and leaving enough for the Lichen's needs.

63. Which of the following statements is not true?

- (a) If any bacteria are alive today on Mars, they must have survived from the time before the planet cooled.
- (b) Space photographs of Martian craters should reveal to the explorers signs of life there.
- (c) Bacteria frozen into permafrost at the Martian South Pole may be viable.
- (d) On digging up, more than 3 million years old Siberian permafrost has revealed bacteria.

64. The most primitive forms of life likely to exist on Mars are all the following, except:

- (a) Villus and Spare
- (b) Bacteria
- (c) Algae
- (d) Lichen

65. Exobiologists might find on Mars algae similar to Stromatolites on Earth because:

- (a) On our planet stromatolites are formed by microscopic algae.
- (b) Martian lake beds may contain fossilised remains of algae similar to stromatolites on earth.
- (c) There is evidence that photosynthesis which takes place in earth's algae can be found in Martian algae too.
- (d) All of the above.

66. **Fill-in the Blank by typing the correct response in the given box:**

If he harder, he would have cleared the exam.

67. **Fill-in the Blank by typing the correct response in the given box:**

The Principal, with his staff, [] gone on a tour.

68. **Fill-in the Blank by typing the correct response in the given box:**

As soon as the meeting [], the staff dispersed.

69. **Fill-in the Blank by typing the correct response in the given box:**

Neither of the friends [] willing to take responsibility.

70. **Fill-in the Blank by typing the correct response in the given box:**

He has been working here [] five years.

71. **Fill in the blank by Dragging and Dropping the correct response in the given space.**

Had the committee been informed earlier, it _____ the proposal with greater scrutiny.

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- a. would have examined
- b. had examined
- c. would examine
- d. examines

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72. Fill in the blank by Dragging and Dropping the correct response in the given space.

Rarely _____ such a nuanced analysis of the syntactic variation been attempted.

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- a. has
- b. have
- c. had
- d. did

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73. Fill in the blank by Dragging and Dropping the correct response in the given space.

Were he to accept the offer, the entire framework _____ altered.

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- a. will be
- b. would be
- c. was
- d. is

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74. Fill in the blank by Dragging and Dropping the correct response in the given space.

The professor insisted that the manuscript _____ revised before submission

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- a. be
- b. is
- c. was
- d. will be

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75. Fill in the blank by Dragging and Dropping the correct response in the given space.

The hypothesis assumes a background knowledge _____ the participants are not explicitly aware of.

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- a. whom
- b. that
- c. which
- d. whose

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76. Identify the best antonym of **INCHOATE**:

- (a) Rudimentary
- (b) Developed
- (c) Immature
- (d) Unformed

77. Choose the synonym of **ABUNDANT**.

- (a) Enough
- (b) Plentiful
- (c) Rare
- (d) Limited

78. Select the antonym of **OBEY**.

- (a) Follow
- (b) Refuse

- (c) Comply
- (d) Respect

79. Select the word closest to **GENUINE**.

- (a) Fake
- (b) Authentic
- (c) False
- (d) Misleading

80. Synonym of **LUCID**.

- (a) Clear
- (b) Vague
- (c) Confusing
- (d) Obscure

81. Write a short note on actions to be taken by dealing hand for processing of a "Receipt". (Maximum 100 words).

82. Write short note on the different kind of Leaves in Autonomous Government Organisation. (Maximum 100 words).

83. Write conditions for grant of Paternity leave and in what circumstances Child Care leave can be granted to a male government servant? (Maximum 100 words).

84. What will be mode of procurement if the total value of procurement is Rs. 4.50 lakhs and what if the value of Computers is more than 6 lakhs? Quote the relevant rules. (Maximum 100 words).

85. Write a short note on what is Income and Expenditure Account and How it is different from Receipt and Payment Accounts?

Key:

1. (d)
2. (d)
3. (a)
4. (b)
5. (d)
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8. (a)
9. (a)
10. (b)
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12. (b)
13. (d)
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36. (c)
37. (a)
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42. (c)
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44. (a)
45. (b)
46. (c)
47. (c)
48. (a)
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63. (b)
64. (a)
65. (d)
66. (a) had studied
67. (a) has
68. (a) (b) (c) ended, got over, finished
69. (a) were
70. (a) for
71. (a)
72. (a)
73. (b)
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79. (b)
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81. N/A

- 82. N/A
- 83. N/A
- 84. N/A
- 85. N/A