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Correct Option (official answer key)

PART-A (General Intelligence and Reasoning)

Q.No: 1	Pointing to a girl, Rohan said, "She is the daughter of the only child of my father." How is the girl related to Rohan?
	Sister
	Niece
■	Daughter
	Cousin

Q.No: 2	In question below, some statements are given followed by some conclusions. Taking the given statements to be true, decide which conclusion logically follows. **Statements:** · All doctors are educated. · All educated people read books. **Conclusions:** · I. All doctors read books. · II. Some educated people are doctors. · III. All book readers are doctors. · IV. Some doctors are not educated.
■	Only I and II follow
	Only II follows

	Only III follows
	Only I and IV follow

Q.No: 3	Find the missing number in the following series: 11, 19, 59, 115, 347, ?
	683
	691
	707
	713

Q.No: 4	How many letters will remain at the same position in the word 'BALANCE' when arranged alphabetically?
	0
	1
	2
	3

Q.No: 5	**Answer the given question based on the given information:** 1. P # Q means P is the son of Q. 2. P & Q means P is the sister of Q. 3. P ^ Q means P is the father of Q. Which of the following options shows the relation that X is the granddaughter of Z?
	X # Y ^ W ^ Z
	Y ^ W ^ Z # X
	X & Y # W # Z
	Z # Y ^ W ^ X

Q.No: 6	M is the husband of N. V is the daughter of M. L is the husband of V. K is the daughter of L. How is K related to N?
	Maternal Granddaughter
	Paternal Granddaughter
	Maternal Aunt
	Paternal Aunt

Q.No: 7	In the following question, a matrix of numbers is given. These numbers follow a certain pattern either row-wise or column-wise. Identify this pattern and choose the missing number accordingly.

5	3	4	64
6	2	5	65
2	7	3	?

	63
	57
	71
	45

Q.No: 8	Roll numbers are assigned where the middle two digits are the product of the first and last digits. Identify the invalid entry.
	3186
	4205
	2122
	5306

Q.No: 9	Study the pattern in the given series and find the next set of letters in the series. HAB, LZF, PYJ, ?
	TXN
	TOX
	TVN

	TXM

Q.No: 10	Select the odd number pair from the given alternatives.
	11, 132
	24, 608
	30, 930
	27, 756

Q.No: 11	In the following question, a matrix of numbers is given. These numbers follow a certain pattern either row-wise or column-wise. Identify this pattern and choose the missing number accordingly. 42 44 38 28 55 23 39 ? 37
	11
	33
	22
	44

Q.No: 12	**Read the question carefully and choose the most appropriate option.** You are a municipal officer. Residents are protesting against the construction of a waste treatment plant near their locality because they fear health problems. The project is important for the city. What would you do?
	Start the construction immediately without informing the residents further.
	Cancel the project completely to avoid opposition from the residents.
	Request a transfer so that another officer handles the situation instead.
	Explain the safeguards involved and address the residents' concerns openly.

Q.No: 13	Choose the best alternative. A1 : B3 :: C5 : ?
	D7
	D6
	E7
	D8

Q.No: 14	What should come in place of the question mark (?) in the following analogy? ABYZ : CDWX :: EFUV : ?
	SGHT

	GHST
	GHTU
	FGST

Q.No: 15	In the given question, a few statements have been given followed by conclusions based on them. Consider the statements to be true and answer which of the given conclusions logically follow the statement. Statements 1. No optimist ignores challenges. 2. Some leaders are optimists. 3. All those who ignore challenges fail. Conclusions I. Some leaders do not ignore challenges. II. Some leaders do not fail. III. No optimist fails. IV. Some optimists are leaders.
	Only I and IV follow
	Only I, II and IV follow
	Only I follows
	I, II, III and IV follow

Q.No: 16	In the given question, a few statements have been given followed by conclusions based on them. Consider the statements to be true and answer which of the given conclusions logically follow the statement. Statements 1. No urban area lacks infrastructure. 2. All developed zones are urban areas. 3. Some industrial regions are developed zones. Conclusions I. No developed zone lacks infrastructure. II. Some industrial regions do not lack infrastructure. III. Some industrial regions are urban areas. IV. All industrial regions are developed zones.
	Only I, II and IV follow
	Only I and II follow
	Only I, II and III follow
	All four follow

Q.No: 17	**Which two signs should be interchanged to make the given equation correct?** $36 - 12 \times 6 \div 3 + 4 = 34$
	− and +
	× and ÷
	× and +
	÷ and +

Q.No: 18	Read the statement carefully and assume it to be true. Then examine the two conclusions given below it and decide which conclusion(s), if any, logically follow from the statement. **Statement:** Due to travel restrictions imposed during the global health crisis, the team missed several important away fixtures, which affected their overall league performance. **Conclusions:** I. Travel restrictions had an impact on the team's performance. II. The team would have definitely won the league without restrictions.
	Only Conclusion I follows
	Only Conclusion II follows
	Both Conclusions I and II follow
	Neither conclusion I nor II follows

Q.No: 19	In the following question a statement is given followed by some assumptions. Read the assumptions carefully and choose the appropriate option. **Statement:** Before signing any agreement with a new supplier, please discuss it with the legal team. **Assumptions:** I. A legal issue may arise if the agreement is signed without discussion. II. It is important to avoid legal complications.
	Only I is implicit.
	Only II is implicit.
	Neither I nor II is implicit.
	Both I and II are implicit.

Q.No: 20	If '♦' means +, '△' means −, '★' means ×, and '○' means ÷, find (2 ★ 8) ♦ [(54 ○ 6) △ (1 ★ 4)] ★ 3.
	12
	18
	31
	36

Q.No: 21	**Read the given conditions carefully and determine the appropriate outcome for the case provided. If any exception applies, identify the authority to whom the case should be referred.** **Criteria for Professional Pilot License Renewal:** (i) Must have a valid medical certificate. (ii) Must have 500+ flying hours. **Exceptions:** **Exception (A):** If flying hours are between 400–500 but the medical certificate is 'Class 1', refer the case to the Aviation Authority. **Exception (B):** If the candidate meets criteria (i) and (ii) but has a recorded flight safety violation in the last 2 years, refer the case to the Review Board. **Case:** The candidate has 450 flying hours and a 'Class 1' medical certificate.
	License renewal to be approved
	Case to be referred to the Aviation Authority
	License renewal to be rejected
	Case to be referred to the Review Board

Q.No: 22	**Select the option that is related to the third word in the same way as the second word is related to the first word.** Needle : Stitch :: Scythe : ?

	Dig
	Mow
	Prune
	Plant

Q.No: 23	In a specific letter-casing pattern, every alternate letter in the English alphabet, starting from B, is written in lowercase, while all other letters are written in uppercase (i.e., A, b, C, d, E, f, ...). Under this rule, how will the word 'SEPTEMBER' be written?
	SeptEMbEr
	SeptemBer
	SEptEMbEr
	SeptembeR

Q.No: 24	A competitive exam allows candidates with a recognized bachelor's degree scoring $\geq 50\%$ ($\geq 45\%$ for reserved category). The age limit is between 21–30 years, with a 5-year upper age relaxation for the reserved category. All eligibility is calculated as of August 1^{st}. Candidate Profile: Belongs to the reserved category, is exactly 34 years old on August 1^{st}, and secured 48% marks in their bachelor's degree. Determine the eligibility status.
	Eligible

	Not eligible — age exceeds limit
	Not eligible — marks below cutoff
	Not eligible on both counts

Q.No: 25	Which fraction is different from the others?
	$\frac{8}{12}$
	$\frac{10}{15}$
	$\frac{14}{21}$
	$\frac{16}{28}$

PART-B (General Awareness)

Q.No: 26	Which of the following represents the most comprehensive institutional reform underpinning the "Resolving Insolvency" component in the Ease of Doing Business Index?
	Debt Recovery Tribunal Act, 1993
	SEBI (Listing Obligations) Regulations, 2015
	IBC (Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code), 2016
	SICA (Sick Industrial Companies Act), 1985

Q.No: 27	The "JAM Trinity" is often cited as a key strategy for direct benefit transfer in India. Which of the following correctly identifies the three pillars of this trinity?
	Jan Dhan accounts, Aadhaar cards, Mobile numbers
	Jan Dhan accounts, Aadhaar cards, MGNREGA job cards
	Jan Dhan accounts, Ayushman Bharat cards, Mobile numbers
	Jan Dhan accounts, Aadhaar cards, PAN cards

Q.No: 28	Which government scheme aims to provide social security and pension benefits to workers in the unorganized sector?
	Atal Pension Yojana (APY)
	Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan (PMSYM)
	National Pension System (NPS)
	Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) schemes

Q.No: 29	How many active players are there per team in a regulation water polo match?
	5
	6
	7
	8

Q.No: 30	In which year did the National Games of India take place in Jharkhand?
	2009
	2011
	2013
	2015

Q.No: 31	Under the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, which of the following is considered a primary source of evidence in the digital era?
	Printouts of WhatsApp chats without digital signature verification
	Newspaper reports about a digital crime
	Certified copies of electronic records with hash value authentication
	Oral confessions made to a police officer

Q.No: 32	Which Indian President received the "Grand Order of the Chain of the Yellow Star" in 2023?
	Droupadi Murmu
	Ram Nath Kovind
	Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam
	Pratibha Patil

Q.No: 33	Who was the first Chairman of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)?
	Rose Millian Bathew
	Ross Barker
	Manoj Soni
	Preeti Sudan

Q.No: 34	Which among the following Harappan cities was divided into three parts, unlike other cities that are usually divided into two parts?
	Harappa
	Dholavira
	Mohenjo-Daro
	Lothal

Q.No: 35	As per Census 2011, the concentration of Scheduled Caste population (going by percentage of Scheduled Caste population to total population of the state) is the highest in the state of:
	Uttar Pradesh
	Himachal Pradesh
	Punjab
	Haryana

Q.No: 36	Consider the following statements about the grip and placement of the shot in the gliding technique in Shot Put: 1) The shot is held primarily in the palm with fingers loosely wrapped around it. 2) The shot is placed near the jaw bone, just below the ear and over the collar bone. 3) Fingers are spread apart slightly with the thumb providing support while holding the shot. Which of the statements given above are **correct?**
	Only 1 and 2 are Correct
	Only 2 and 3 are Correct
	Only 1 and 3 are correct
	1, 2 and 3 are Correct

Q.No: 37	What accurately describes the British policy and outcome regarding slavery in India up to 1843?
	The Company promptly abolished slavery under the 1811 law
	Slavery ended through mass resistance by Indian peasants
	Abolition came slowly through delayed legislation and limited enforcement
	Slavery was banned immediately after Britain's 1820 reforms

Q.No: 38	Which of the following explains the meaning of the term “Sangam” in ancient South Indian history, as derived from Sanskrit?
	An association of poets
	A gathering of priests
	An assembly of warriors
	A collection of traders

Q.No: 39	Article 54 of the Indian Constitution deals with the:
	Term of the President
	Election of the President
	Impeachment of the President
	Oath of the President

Q.No: 40	Which physical quantity is given by the product of force and the displacement in the direction of that force?
	Work

	Momentum
	Impulse
	Power

Q.No: 41	Which Indian initiative emphasizes maritime cooperation and security in the Indian Ocean Region?
	Operation Flood (OF)
	Act Far East (AFE)
	Look West Policy (LWP)
	Security and Growth for All in the Region (SAGAR)

Q.No: 42	A catches B committing simple theft of a bicycle. B begins running away without violence. A shoots and kills B solely to recover the bicycle. Which of the following is correct under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 in India?
	A is justified because private defence of property always includes killing a thief.
	A is justified because the theft had already occurred.
	A is not justified since the right didn't extend to causing death here.
	A is justified because the property had not yet been recovered.

Q.No: 43	Under which constitutional provision of the Constitution of India is the Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council established?
	Article 246A
	Article 269A
	Article 279A
	Article 280

Q.No: 44	Which reform under globalisation reduces custom duties, quotas and quantitative restrictions to facilitate the free flow of goods and services?
	Trade liberalisation
	Industrial licensing
	Fiscal consolidation
	Financial regulation

Q.No: 45	Which committee was appointed in 1993 to examine insurance sector reforms following the 1991 economic reforms?
	Chelliah Committee

	Malhotra Committee
	Tandon Committee
	Rajan Committee

Q.No: 46	In the capability approach to human development, the term “capabilities” primarily refers to:
	What nations can export and compete
	What governments can spend and provide
	What people can do and become
	What nations can achieve in military strength

Q.No: 47	Which institution was envisaged to play a greater role in the planning process under the Tenth Five-Year Plan to promote balanced development?
	Reserve Bank of India
	Panchayati Raj Institutions
	International Monetary Fund
	Central Public Sector Enterprises

Q.No: 48	Which field did the Hunter Commission examine?
	Judiciary
	Education
	Police reforms
	Agriculture

Q.No: 49	A single bacterial cell reproduces by binary fission, causing the number of cells to double every 20 minutes. How many bacterial cells will be present after 1 hour?
	4 cells
	6 cells
	8 cells
	16 cells

Q.No: 50	In a hydrogen–oxygen fuel cell, why are porous electrodes coated or impregnated with a catalyst primarily used?
	To provide large surface area and enhance reaction kinetics

	To increase mechanical strength of the electrodes
	To store hydrogen and oxygen inside the electrode permanently
	To prevent formation of water during the reaction

PART-C (Quantitative Aptitude)

Q.No: 51	A right prism has a triangular base with sides 3 cm, 4 cm, and 5 cm. If the height of the prism is 6 cm, what is its volume?
	36 cm^3
	48 cm^3
	54 cm^3
	60 cm^3

Q.No: 52	Simplify: $\sqrt{900} + \sqrt{0.0625} - \sqrt{16.81}$.
	14.37
	19.65
	23.06
	26.15

Q.No: 53	In $\triangle ABC$, the medians AD, BE, and CF intersect at the centroid G. If the length of median AD is 12 cm, what is the length of the segment GD?
	1 cm
	2.5 cm
	4 cm
	6.1 cm

Q.No: 54	Find the smallest perfect square divisible by 10, 12, 15, and 18.
	600
	900
	500
	400

Q.No: 55	Two individuals, A and B, share their profit in a ratio of 3:2. A third person, C, is given a one-fourth share of the profit and contributes ₹12,000 as his capital to the business. What is the capital contribution of B?
	₹18,000
	₹14,400
	₹21,600
	₹15,000

Q.No: 56	The amount of a sum at the end of the 1st year is ₹4,500 and at the end of the 2nd year is ₹4,950. Find its approximate principal.
	₹3981

	₹4001
	₹3801
	₹4091

Q.No: 57	A regular hexagon and a square having the same perimeter. If the area of the square is 196 cm^2, find the exact area of the hexagon.
	$\frac{203\sqrt{7}}{3}$ cm^2
	$\frac{323\sqrt{3}}{5}$ cm^2
	$\frac{210\sqrt{3}}{9}$ cm^2
	$\frac{392\sqrt{3}}{3}$ cm^2

Q.No: 58	A circle has a radius of 7 cm, and a square is drawn around it such that the circle touches all four sides. Find the area of the square.
	196 cm^2
	126 cm^2
	183 cm^2
	191 cm^2

Q.No: 59	If the area of a quadrant of a circle is $\frac{\pi}{16}$ m^2, find the radius (in meters).
	$\frac{1}{4}$ m
	1 m
	$\frac{1}{2}$ m
	2 m

Q.No: 60	A cone has a volume of 192π cm^3 and a height of 12 cm. Find the radius of its base.
	$4\sqrt{3}$ cm
	$2\sqrt{3}$ cm
	$5\sqrt{3}$ cm
	$6\sqrt{3}$ cm

Q.No: 61	A shopkeeper makes 15% profit by selling a book at a certain price. If he charges ₹12 more, he would gain 20%. What was the original selling price of the book?

	₹296
	₹250
	₹280
	₹276

Q.No: 62	A shopkeeper marks up his goods by 60%. He sells 25% of the stock at the marked price, 50% of the stock at a 20% discount on the marked price, and the remaining stock at a 50% discount on the marked price. Find his overall profit percentage.
	28%
	24%
	32%
	45%

Q.No: 63	The angles of elevation of the top of a tower from two points on the same line are 45° and 60°. The points are 20 m apart. Find the approximate height of the tower.
	57.3 m
	43.3 m
	51.3 m

	47.3 m

Q.No: 64	The measure of supplement of ∠p is 60° more than four times the measure of complement of ∠p. Find the sum in degree of the supplement and complement of ∠p.
	110°
	170°
	180°
	140°

Q.No: 65	If $\sin A - \cos A = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ and angle A lies in the first quadrant, find the value of $\sin A + \cos A$.
	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
	$\frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}$
	1
	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

Q.No: 66	What is the value of $\frac{5\text{cosec}^2 30^\circ - 3\cot^2 30^\circ + 16\cos^4 45^\circ}{2\sqrt{3}\tan 60^\circ + 4\sin^2 60^\circ}$?
	1
	$\frac{5}{3}$
	$\frac{1}{2}$
	0

Q.No: 67	Three solid metallic spheres of radii 4 cm, 3 cm, and 5 cm are melted to form a single large sphere. What is the radius of the new sphere?
	3 cm
	6 cm
	8 cm
	9 cm

Q.No: 68	Triangles XYZ and PQR are similar. In ΔXYZ, the side lengths are XY = 10 cm, YZ = 15 cm, and ZX = 20 cm. If the ratio of the areas of ΔXYZ and ΔPQR is 25: 36, what is the length of side QR in ΔPQR?
	12 cm
	14 cm

	18 cm
	20 cm

Q.No: 69	A cooperative housing society borrowed ₹4,50,000 to repair its buildings. The society paid back ₹6,12,000 after 9 years. Find the rate of simple interest and determine how much interest was paid every year.
	Rate of Simple Interest = 5% per annum Interest paid every year = ₹21,000
	Rate of Simple Interest = 2% per annum Interest paid every year = ₹19,000
	Rate of Simple Interest = 4% per annum Interest paid every year = ₹18,000
	Rate of Simple Interest = 3% per annum Interest paid every year = ₹17,000

Q.No: 70	An expert potter can craft a batch of pottery in 24 hours, while his apprentice can do the same in 40 hours. They receive a large high-profile order of a batch from the owner of a hotel and decide to work on it together. However, a strict quality inspector is sent by the hotel owner at the exact end of every 4-hour joint shift. The inspector rejects exactly 20% of the pottery completed during those specific 4-hour shifts due to minor imperfections. Any final remaining items needed after the last shift are crafted under direct guidance with 0% defects. How many total hours will it take them to complete the order successfully?
	18.2 hrs

	17.4 hrs
	16.8 hrs
	15.5 hrs

Q.No: 71	A team of linguists is translating the text on an ancient monolith. Linguist A and linguist B working together can translate it in 12 days, linguist B and linguist C working together can do it in 15 days, while A and C working together can do it in 20 days. All three of them work together on the monolith for 6 days. Then, A and B are relocated to another site. How many more days will be required by C to finish the remaining task alone?
	20 days
	22 days
	24 days
	25 days

Q.No: 72	Evaluate: $\frac{sin35^\circ}{cos55^\circ}$
	1
	0
	−1
	2

Q.No: 73	Evaluate the following numerical expression using an appropriate algebraic identity: $\frac{5.37\times5.37-4.63\times4.63}{0.74}$
	1
	7.3
	4.6
	10

Q.No: 74	If $a + b = 18$ and $ab = 46$, compute $a^3 + b^3$.
	2484
	3348
	4328
	5832

Q.No: 75	Simplify the following expression completely: $\frac{3}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}$

	$\frac{5\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}}{3}$
	$\frac{\sqrt{5}-5\sqrt{2}}{3}$
	$\frac{5\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}{3}$
	$\frac{5}{2\sqrt{5}}$

PART-D (English Comprehension)

Q.No: 76	Choose the accurate direct speech version of the following sentence. She asked me to tell her the location of the guest house.
	She said, "I was wondering if you could possibly tell me the location of the guest house?"
	She asked, "Could you tell me the location of the guest house?"
	She said, "Tell me the location of the guest house."
	She asked, "Could you possibly tell me the location of the guest house?"

Q.No: 77	Rearrange the parts of the sentence in the correct order. The recent advancements in space exploration P. and paving the way for future Mars colonization Q. unlocking new possibilities for interplanetary travel, R. have been driven by international collaborations, S. focused on developing sustainable lunar habitats
	PSQR
	RQSP
	SRPQ
	QPSR

Q.No: 78	Choose the correct phrase for the word highlighted in bold. "He expects his subordinates to be always **at his beck and call**"?
	To be constantly available to obey orders

	To challenge authority frequently
	To work only when convenient
	To ignore requests deliberately

Q.No: 79	Fill in the blank with an appropriate phrasal verb. Despite initial enthusiasm, investors began to _____ when the project's viability was questioned.
	backwash
	backpedal
	backlash
	backburn

Q.No: 80	Identify the error in the sentence. She's reading an Times of India editorial.
	India
	an
	editorial
	reading

Q.No: 81	**Which of the given options arranges the following sentences in the most logical sequence to form a meaningful paragraph?** 1. However, rising ocean temperatures and acidification are causing coral bleaching, threatening reef survival. 2. Corals have a symbiotic relationship with algae, which provide them with nutrients and vibrant colors. 3. When stressed by environmental changes, corals expel the algae, leading to their pale, bleached appearance. 4. Coral reefs are among the most biodiverse ecosystems, providing habitat for thousands of marine species. 5. Scientists are exploring conservation strategies, including artificial reefs and selective breeding of heat-resistant coral species.
	2-3-1-4-5
	3-1-4-2-5
	4-2-1-3-5
	5-4-1-3-2

Q.No: 82	Improve the sentence by choosing the correct degree of comparison that replaces the word highlighted in bold. This road is **narrow** than the one we took yesterday.
	more narrower
	narrower
	most narrow
	narrowest

Q.No: 83	Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word**. Zealous**
	Apathetic
	Ardent
	Fervent

	Eager

Q.No: 84	Choose the correct meaning of idiom: **Give someone the slip**
	To insult someone subtly
	To evade or escape from someone unnoticed
	To forgive after insult
	To follow and copy someone

Q.No: 85	Spot the **correct spelling** of a word meaning "gold or silver in bulk form".
	Bullian
	Bullon
	Bullion
	Bulyon

Q.No: 86	Choose the correct **one-word substitute** for: 'A false name used by an author.'
	Acronym
	Pseudonym
	Homonym
	Patronym

Q.No: 87	Choose the correct **one-word substitute** for: 'Excessively idealistic; impractical.'
	Visionary
	Pragmatic
	Quixotic
	Dogmatic

Q.No: 88	**Select the correct option:** The document was classified; ___, it could not be circulated publicly.
	therefore
	however
	nonetheless
	otherwise

Q.No: 89	**Find the part of the sentence that contains an error:** She wore a stunning red silk long scarf (1) that complemented her traditional attire (2) during the award ceremony (3) at the convention centre. (4)
	(1)
	(2)
	(3)
	(4)

Q.No: 90	**Find the part of the sentence that contains an error:** It seems as though the department is reluctant (1)/ not because of the cost implications, (2)/ but because that it might signal (3)/ a policy shift they are not ready to make. (4)
	(1)
	(2)
	(3)
	(4)

Q.No: 91	**Change the following from active to passive:** They will have been scrutinizing the proposal all afternoon.
	The proposal will have scrutinized all afternoon.
	The proposal will have had been been scrutinized all afternoon.
	The proposal will have be being scrutinized all afternoon.
	The proposal will have been being scrutinized all afternoon.

Q.No: 92	**Change the following from active to passive:** Legal advisors urged the firm to amend the draft immediately.
	It was urged that the firm amend the draft immediately.
	The draft was urged by legal advisors to be amended.
	The firm was urged by legal advisors to amend the draft immediately.
	Legal advice was urging amendment of the draft.

Q.No: 93	**A sentence is provided in indirect speech. From the four given options, choose the one that most accurately conveys the sentence in its corresponding direct speech.** She said that she had hardly begun the speech when the microphone failed.
	"Hardly had I begun the speech when the microphone failed," she said.
	"I hardly began the speech when the microphone failed," she said.
	"The microphone failed as I started speaking," she said.
	"The microphone failed just after I began," she said.

Q.No: 94	**Choose the most appropriate synonym of the underlined word.** The app's interface is **concise** and user-friendly.
	Lengthy
	Detailed
	Brief
	Confusing

Q.No: 95	**In the following question, the first and last parts of the sentence (1 and 6) are given. The rest of the sentence is split into four parts and named P, Q, R, and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence and find out which of the four combinations is correct.** **1. Not only did** P. the socio-economic conditions Q. but it also highlighted R. the revolution improve S. of the working class **6. the inherent flaws of the monarchy.**
	RPSQ
	SQRP
	RQSP
	PQRS

Q.No: 96	Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Few people truly understand the hidden life of the street. Even when we enter it, we often fail to recognise the unique individuals who belong to it—the wanderers and nomads who have preserved their secrets through generations. We understand even less about the street at night, when it resembles a great house whose doors are locked. Charles Dickens, however, understood the street deeply. He seemed to possess the key to its hidden world. The street lamps were his stars, and the ordinary person on the street was his hero. He could reveal its innermost character and enter its secret passages, lined with houses and roofed with stars. Facts that are merely observed do not remain permanently fixed in memory. To remember a place forever, one must experience it completely and become so deeply absorbed in it that one temporarily forgets oneself as a separate observer. For Dickens, the streets remained deeply romantic because they were associated with the powerful experiences and tragedies of his youth. They were also filled with memories of sunsets that could never return. This emotional connection explains the unusual realism with which he brought the dark and ordinary corners of London to life. In his descriptions, even minor details—a window, a railing or the keyhole of a door—acquire an intense and lifelike vitality. Through his imagination, ordinary objects appear more vivid and real than they normally do. According to the passage, what distinguished Dickens's understanding of the street?
	He studied the architectural features of London in great detail.

	He viewed the street mainly as a setting for dramatic events.
	He observed street life from a safe and emotional distance.
	He understood the hidden life and character of the street deeply.

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	The street becomes physically inaccessible after sunset.
	The buildings appear safer and more impressive at night.
	The hidden life of the street becomes mysterious and difficult to understand.
	The residents deliberately prevent strangers from entering the street.

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	By recording all its visible features accurately.
	By visiting it repeatedly at different times of the day.
	By comparing it with other familiar surroundings.
	By becoming completely absorbed in the experience of the place.

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	Dickens's emotional experiences gave the streets lasting personal and romantic significance.
	The streets were decorated with colours commonly associated with youthful celebrations.
	Dickens regarded the streets as symbols of political and social decline.
	The appearance of the streets changed mainly because of the setting sun.

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	He exaggerated the unpleasant features of London to criticise society.
	He gave ordinary physical details an intense and lifelike vitality.
	He replaced realistic locations with imaginary and mysterious landscapes.
	He focused only on factual accuracy and avoided emotional associations.