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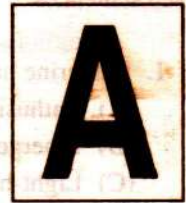
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Direction for Question Nos. 1 to 3

Choose the best word to replace the underlined word in the given sentences:

1. Katherine has a flair for writing short stories.

- (A) Enthusiasm
(B) Emergency
(C) Light-hearted bravado
(D) Natural ability

2. Hari has genial grandparents.

- (A) Spontaneous
(B) Kindly
(C) Fascinating
(D) Ingratiating

3. Unilateral action may be positive or harmful depending on the circumstances.

- (A) One sided
(B) Alike
(C) Invalid
(D) Unanimous

Direction for Question Nos. 4 to 6

Choose the correct meanings of the underlined part of the sentences:

4. He broke off in the middle of his story.

- (A) Hinted at
(B) Found out
(C) Started crying
(D) Stopped suddenly

5. The tailor's bill has run up to a large amount.

- (A) Given into
(B) Amounted to
(C) Speeded up to
(D) Risen to

6. Let this matter stand over for the present.

- (A) Be fixed
(B) Be passed
(C) Be postponed
(D) Be proved

Direction for Question Nos. 7 and 8

Choose the item closest in meaning to the underlined word in the given sentences:

7. The doctor detected a virulent strain of pneumonia in his patient.

- (A) Violent
(B) Appearing suddenly
(C) Reacting immediately
(D) Benevolent

8. The deputation called on the M.P.

- (A) Expulsion from a country
(B) Delegation
(C) Formal argument
(D) Statement made under oath

Direction for Question Nos. 9 to 13

Choose the correct preposition to fill in the blank in the sentences given below:

9. I rest _____ your promise.

- (A) on
(B) upon
(C) after
(D) with

10. Admission was restricted _____ students.

- (A) upon
(B) with
(C) to
(D) from

11. There is no remedy _____ this disease.

- (A) over
(B) for
(C) with
(D) against

12. He is slow _____ figures.

- (A) of
(B) in
(C) for
(D) at

13. Ram's father passed _____ last night.

- (A) away
- (B) upon
- (C) for
- (D) with

Direction for Question Nos. 14 and 15

Choose the appropriate meaning of the underlined section in the given sentences:

14. The inquiry elicited important facts.

- (A) Demanded
- (B) Drew out
- (C) Broke the law
- (D) Asked for

15. The fat man had an insatiable appetite.

- (A) Having strong feelings
- (B) Ruthless
- (C) Immobile
- (D) Unable to be satisfied

Direction for Question Nos. 16 to 18

Choose the correct items for the underlined section of the sentences from the options given:

16. Many people in this country live from hand to mouth.

- (A) Without any provision for the future
- (B) By being honest
- (C) By feeding oneself
- (D) By working slowly

17. He strained every nerve to get his friend elected.

- (A) Used his utmost efforts
- (B) Was very nervous
- (C) Behaved in an upright way
- (D) Worked effortlessly

18. I must take exception to your remark.

- (A) Supply examples
- (B) Object to
- (C) Accept
- (D) Give way to

Direction for Question Nos. 19 and 20

Choose the most appropriate word/phrase for the underlined idioms used in the sentences:

19. Beware of that wolf in sheep's clothing.

- (A) Cruel animal
- (B) Fool
- (C) Hypocrite
- (D) Hard-hearted fellow

20. A dispute in the Dhanbad Colliery came to a head.

- (A) Broke out
- (B) Came to a solution
- (C) Reached a crisis
- (D) Caused a headache

Direction for Question Nos. 21 to 24

Choose the correct verb-patterns from the options given:

21. The children _____ quiet last night.

- (A) keeping
- (B) kept
- (C) keeps
- (D) will keep

22. I _____ my sister a watch.

- (A) buy
- (B) have bought
- (C) buying
- (D) buys

23. You _____ your shirt very dirty.

- (A) has made
- (B) have made
- (C) makes
- (D) making

24. You _____ that tooth pulled out tomorrow.

- (A) to get
- (B) got
- (C) should get
- (D) gets

25. Choose the correctly spelt word from the options given below:

The _____ of his shoes had worn out.

- (A) soul
- (B) sole
- (C) sool
- (D) saol

26. The Indian state where Maoist movements are prominent is
 (A) Jharkhand
 (B) Himachal Pradesh
 (C) Tamil Nadu
 (D) Assam
27. V.A.T. stands for
 (A) Vietnamese Administrative Team
 (B) Vienna Academic Tournament
 (C) Value Added Tax
 (D) Voting and Auditing Troop
28. Sania Mirza is associated with the game of
 (A) Football
 (B) Badminton
 (C) Tennis
 (D) Table Tennis
29. The present Cricket captain of India is
 (A) Sachin Tendulkar
 (B) Rahul Dravid
 (C) Sourav Ganguly
 (D) Yuvraj Singh
30. Krishnanagar is famous for
 (A) Shoes
 (B) Textile mills
 (C) Clay dolls
 (D) Mica mines
31. Every judge of a High Court is appointed by the
 (A) Governor
 (B) President
 (C) Chief Minister
 (D) Law Minister of the State
32. Policy of mixed economy refers to
 (A) Caste Politics
 (B) Public & Private Sectors
 (C) State Interference
 (D) Economic Liberalisation
33. The present Governor of the Reserve Bank of India is
 (A) Bimal Jalan
 (B) C. Rangarajan
 (C) Gopal K. Gandhi
 (D) Y. V. Reddy
34. The present Vice-President of the United States is
 (A) Bill Clinton
 (B) Nixon
 (C) Richard Cheney
 (D) Ronald Regan
35. The name of George W. Bush's wife is
 (A) Laura
 (B) Sara
 (C) Lyla
 (D) Sonia
36. India officially became a Republic in the year
 (A) 1947
 (B) 1948
 (C) 1949
 (D) 1950
37. 'Satanic Verses' was written by
 (A) E. M. Forster
 (B) Salman Rushdie
 (C) Nirod C. Chaudhuri
 (D) Joseph Conrad
38. Sunil Gavaskar's son is
 (A) Kirit
 (B) Deep
 (C) Rohan
 (D) Rahul
39. Grass root democracy is related to
 (A) Inter State Council
 (B) Regional Politics
 (C) Lokpal
 (D) Panchayati Raj System
40. The present Governor of West Bengal is the grandson of
 (A) Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose
 (B) Mahatma Gandhi
 (C) Jawaharlal Nehru
 (D) Bidhan Chandra Ray
41. In which year was the Gandhi-Irwin pact signed?
 (A) 1927
 (B) 1928
 (C) 1931
 (D) 1935

42. In which year was the Communal Award announced?
 (A) 1924
 (B) 1928
 (C) 1932
 (D) 1934
43. In which session of the Congress did it claim India's complete independence?
 (A) Calcutta (September 1920)
 (B) Nagpur (December 1920)
 (C) Madras (1927)
 (D) Lahore (1929)
44. What was the occasion for observing the 'Day of Deliverance' on 22nd December, 1939 by the Muslim League?
 (A) Jinnah's policy to war
 (B) Resignation of Congress Ministries in provinces
 (C) British attitude to Congress
 (D) League's failure in provincial polls
45. Give out the date on which the first meeting of the Constituent Assembly took place.
 (A) 4th July, 1946
 (B) 12th August, 1946
 (C) 7th October, 1946
 (D) 9th December, 1946
46. On which date was Lord Mountbatten appointed as the Governor-General of India?
 (A) 30th December, 1946
 (B) 2nd January, 1947
 (C) 20th February, 1947
 (D) 3rd June, 1947
47. Prince Charles' present wife is
 (A) Diana Spencer
 (B) Camila Parker
 (C) Meryl Streep
 (D) J. K. Rowling
48. Arundhati Roy's famous book is
 (A) Argumentative Indian
 (B) God of Small Things
 (C) Measurement of Poverty
 (D) Poverty and Famines
49. The present U.S. Secretary of State is
 (A) Condoleezza Rice
 (B) Powell
 (C) Jimmy Carter
 (D) Bill Clinton
50. Tehran is the capital of
 (A) UAR
 (B) Iraq
 (C) Iran
 (D) Afghanistan
51. In which session of the Indian National Congress was India's full independence announced as its aim?
 (A) Ahmedabad (1921)
 (B) Madras (1927)
 (C) Nagpur (1920)
 (D) Lahore (1929)
52. Give out the date from which The Government of India Act of 1935 became operative.
 (A) 1st April, 1935
 (B) 1st April, 1936
 (C) 1st April, 1937
 (D) 1st April, 1938
53. In which year was the Second World War started?
 (A) 1939
 (B) 1940
 (C) 1942
 (D) 1944
54. Who was the first Prime Minister of Pakistan?
 (A) Md. Ali Jinnah
 (B) Liaquat Ali Khan
 (C) Ayub Khan
 (D) Nishar Khan
55. The W.T.O. Conference (2005) took place in
 (A) Kankun
 (B) Seattle
 (C) Doha
 (D) Hongkong
56. Sundarban is famous for
 (A) Sal Tree
 (B) Sundari Tree
 (C) Rhododendron Tree
 (D) Cactus plants
57. The dreadful incident of 9/11 took place in the USA when the US President was
 (A) Bill Clinton
 (B) Nixon
 (C) George Bush
 (D) Jimmy Carter

58. The southern neighbour of India is
 (A) Sri Lanka
 (B) Bhutan
 (C) Bangladesh
 (D) Pakistan
59. The captain of the Australian Cricket Team at present is
 (A) Peterson
 (B) Flintoff
 (C) Ricky Ponting
 (D) Shaun Pollock
60. The Wimbledon Ladies' Champion in 2005 was
 (A) Maria Sharapova
 (B) Venus Williams
 (C) Serena Williams
 (D) Martina Hingis
61. Which of the following is not a current liability?
 (A) Bills payable
 (B) Bank overdraft
 (C) Unclaimed dividends
 (D) Minority interest
62. Secret reserves would violate the principle of
 (A) Conservatism
 (B) Disclosure
 (C) Consistency
 (D) Materiality
63. A leader seeking to exercise very little control or influence over group members would be marked as a/an _____ leader.
 (A) Autocratic
 (B) Democratic
 (C) Laissez-faire
 (D) Professional
64. Who presided over the first session of the Indian National Congress?
 (A) W. C. Bonnerjea
 (B) S. N. Banerjee
 (C) Dadabhai Naoroji
 (D) Motilal Nehru
65. In which year was the capital of India transferred from Calcutta to Delhi?
 (A) 1910
 (B) 1911
 (C) 1912
 (D) 1913
66. In which year was the First World War started?
 (A) 1910
 (B) 1912
 (C) 1914
 (D) 1916
67. Between what two powers was the Treaty of Salbai (1782) concluded?
 (A) Anglo-Afghan
 (B) Sindhia and the Nizam
 (C) Anglo-Maratha
 (D) Mysore-Maratha
68. In which year was the Permanent Settlement in Bengal introduced?
 (A) 1773
 (B) 1783
 (C) 1787
 (D) 1793
69. What did the Ilbert Bill intend to do?
 (A) To preserve the rights of the zaminders
 (B) To do away racial discrimination in judicial system
 (C) To preserve the rights of the Europeans
 (D) To punish the political offenders
70. During whose Governor-Generalship was the Indian National Congress established?
 (A) Lord Ripon
 (B) Lord Lytton
 (C) Lord Dufferin
 (D) Lord Curzon
71. What does the ROI take into account?
 (A) Interest on fixed assets
 (B) Interest on working capital
 (C) Shareholders' investment
 (D) All of the above
72. The three columns of each side of a triple column Cash Book represent
 (A) Real and personal accounts
 (B) Real and nominal accounts
 (C) Personal and nominal accounts
 (D) Real, personal and nominal accounts
73. In which year was the Indian National Congress founded?
 (A) 1875
 (B) 1885
 (C) 1895
 (D) 1897

74. In which year was the All India Muslim League founded?
 (A) 1901
 (B) 1904
 (C) 1906 ✓
 (D) 1908
75. Where was the first university for women established in India?
 (A) Calcutta
 (B) Madras
 (C) Bombay
 (D) Nagpur
76. In which year was the Regulating Act passed?
 (A) 1757
 (B) 1765
 (C) 1773
 (D) 1784
77. From whom did the East India Company obtain in 1765 the Dewani of Bengal, Bihar and Orissa?
 (A) Bengal Nawab
 (B) Mughal Emperor
 (C) Mughal Sipahsalar
 (D) Mughal Bakshi
78. On what ground was Oudh annexed by the East India Company in 1856?
 (A) Treaty stipulation
 (B) Maladministration
 (C) Nawab was defeated in war
 (D) Non-payment of dues by the Nawab
79. In which year was the Non-Cooperation Movement started?
 (A) 1914
 (B) 1918
 (C) 1920
 (D) 1925
80. In which year Deshbandhu Chittaranjan Das died?
 (A) 1918
 (B) 1920
 (C) 1922
 (D) 1925
81. Which of the following ratio measures the profitability of a business?
 (A) Acid test ratio
 (B) Interest coverage ratio
 (C) Net profit ratio
 (D) Inventory turnover ratio
82. The proxy has a right to
 (A) Vote by show of hands
 (B) Speak at a meeting
 (C) Vote on a poll
 (D) All of the above
83. Cartel is a form of
 (A) Federation
 (B) Trade association
 (C) Chamber of Commerce
 (D) Complete consolidation
84. As a source of finance, how would you term equity capital?
 (A) Short term source
 (B) Medium term source
 (C) Long term source
 (D) Primal source
85. Which element in the marketing mix is subject to legal control?
 (A) Promotion
 (B) Product
 (C) Price
 (D) Distribution
86. A company can change its name by
 (A) An ordinary resolution
 (B) A special resolution
 (C) Approval of the Union Government
 (D) A special resolution and approval of the Union Government
87. If depreciation is not recorded to avoid reporting a net loss, name the accounting principle that is violated.
 (A) Consistency
 (B) Cost principle
 (C) Full disclosure
 (D) Conservatism ✓
88. Window dressing is prohibited owing to
 (A) Convention of disclosure
 (B) Convention of materiality
 (C) Convention of conservatism
 (D) Accrual concept
89. Which theory of motivation assumes that the average individual dislikes to work?
 (A) Maslow's theory
 (B) Equity theory
 (C) McGregor's theory X
 (D) McGregor's theory Y

90. Which of the following forms of organisation violates the Principle of Unity of Command?

- (A) Line organisation
- (B) Line and staff organisation
- (C) Functional organisation
- (D) None of the above

91. Teeming and lading refers to

- (A) Pilferage of stock
- (B) Bribery for securing orders
- (C) Frauds pertaining to receipts of cash from debtors
- (D) Misappropriation of cash by showing fictitious purchases

92. Among the following, who is not a speculator in the stock exchange?

- (A) Bull
- (B) Bear
- (C) Stag
- (D) Broker

93. Which of the following represents the payout ratio?

- (A) Profit/EPS
- (B) EPS/Profit
- (C) Dividend per share/EPS
- (D) EPS/Dividend per share

94. The scope of the interim audit falls within the purview of

- (A) Partial audit
- (B) Final audit
- (C) Internal audit
- (D) Continuous audit

95. Which of the following is the test of the long-term liquidity of a business?

- (A) Current ratio
- (B) Operating ratio
- (C) Stock turnover ratio
- (D) Interest coverage ratio

96. Under which head is "Proposed dividends" shown in the balance sheet of a Company?

- (A) Provisions
- (B) Current liabilities
- (C) Reserves and surplus
- (D) Other liabilities

97. The Balance in the Share Forfeited A/c. is

- (A) Revenue reserve
- (B) Capital reserve
- (C) Regarded both (A) and (B) above
- (D) None of the above

98. In Garner vs. Murray, the deficiency arising from the insolvency of a partner is borne by the other partners in

- (A) The ratio of their capital
- (B) The profit sharing ratio
- (C) An equal partner
- (D) None of the above

99. When the partnership business is sold to a Joint Stock Company, the purchase consideration received is transferred to

- (A) Assets A/c.
- (B) Partners' Capital A/c.
- (C) Bank A/c.
- (D) Realisation A/c.

100. When two firms are amalgamated into one business entity, the General Reserve is transferred to

- (A) New firm's A/c.
- (B) Revaluation A/c.
- (C) Realisation A/c.
- (D) Partner's A/c.

101. Indian Economy is mainly agricultural as nearly _____ per cent of population depends on agriculture.

- (A) 80
- (B) 70
- (C) 60
- (D) 50

102. The Planning Commission was set up by the Government of India in

- (A) 1947
- (B) 1948
- (C) 1950
- (D) 1951

103. The Chief Election Commissioner is
 (A) Elected by the people
 (B) Appointed by the Prime Minister
 (C) Appointed by Union Home Minister
 (D) Appointed by the President
104. Soil in which tea of North Bengal is cultivated is
 (A) Acidic
 (B) Alkaline
 (C) Neutral
 (D) None of the above
105. The oldest mountain in India is
 (A) Vindhya
 (B) Western Ghat
 (C) Aravallis
 (D) Satpura
106. Farakka is situated in the district of
 (A) Murshidabad
 (B) Malda
 (C) Birbhum
 (D) Nadia
107. Why is water in a pond cooler even in hot day?
 (A) Surface water goes on evaporating, taking heat from water
 (B) The surrounding earth of the pond absorbs heat from water
 (C) Water can receive less heat from the sun
 (D) None of the above
108. The sum of 51 terms of $1 - 2 + 3 - 4 + 5 - 6 \dots$
 (A) 26
 (B) 50
 (C) 51
 (D) - 26
109. A Bill involving expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of India cannot be passed by either House of the Parliament except on the recommendation of
 (A) Prime Minister
 (B) President
 (C) Speaker of Lok Sabha
 (D) None of the above
110. The qualification to be a member of Finance Commission is determined by
 (A) The President
 (B) The Prime Minister
 (C) The Parliament
 (D) None of the above
111. Bank rate refers to
 (A) The rate at which banks lend to the borrowers
 (B) The maximum rate the banks can pay for their deposits
 (C) The rate at which banks rediscount their bills with Reserve Bank
 (D) The rate of interest charged on inter-bank transactions
112. A joint sector means co-operation between
 (A) Domestic and foreign industries
 (B) Public and private sector enterprises
 (C) Small and large scale industries
 (D) State and Central Government enterprises
113. The first general election in India was held in the year
 (A) 1948
 (B) 1951
 (C) 1957
 (D) 1960
114. The month in which the lowest temperature occurs in India is
 (A) November
 (B) December
 (C) January
 (D) February
115. Land breeze in West Bengal blows from
 (A) North
 (B) West
 (C) South
 (D) East
116. Jhansi is situated in the state of
 (A) Madhya Pradesh
 (B) Uttar Pradesh
 (C) Chattisgarh
 (D) Uttaranchal

Directions for Question Nos. 117 and 118

M, N, O, P, Q and R are six books. Of them M, N and P are history books, rest are mathematics books. N, P and R have blue covers, rest have red covers. Price of N, O and R are Rs. 80 each, while price of each of the rest is Rs. 100. Then—

117. History book with blue cover whose price is Rs. 80 is

- (A) M
- (B) N
- (C) P
- (D) R

118. Mathematics book with red cover whose price is Rs. 100 is

- (A) M
- (B) O
- (C) Q
- (D) R

119. Regarding Money Bill, the Rajya Sabha has the power to

- (A) Reject it
- (B) Amend it
- (C) To send its recommendation to Lok Sabha within a period of 14 days
- (D) None of the above

120. Finance Commission is appointed by

- (A) Prime Minister
- (B) Finance Minister
- (C) President
- (D) Vice-President

121. Foreign Exchange Reserves (Forex) of India is maintained by

- (A) Office of the Prime Minister
- (B) Office of the Finance Minister
- (C) Reserve Bank of India
- (D) State Bank of India

122. A favourable balance of trade means

- (A) An excess of export of goods and other credits over imports of goods and other debits
- (B) An excess of total imports of goods and services over total exports of goods and services
- (C) An excess of exports of goods over import of goods
- (D) An excess of total credits over total debits in foreign trade

123. The budget of the Government of India is placed to the Parliament for approval by

- (A) The Prime Minister
- (B) The Finance Minister
- (C) The Speaker of the Lok Sabha
- (D) The Seniormost member of the Union Cabinet

124. The port of Kandala is situated in the state of

- (A) Maharashtra
- (B) Rajasthan
- (C) Gujarat
- (D) Karnataka

125. Gour, the Old Capital of Bengal is situated in the district of

- (A) Uttar Dinajpur
- (B) Murshidabad
- (C) Dakshin Dinajpur
- (D) Malda

126. The direction of flow of the river Tista is

- (A) South to North
- (B) East to West
- (C) West to East
- (D) North to South

127. In the following series, the term in place of '?' is

1, 4, 12, 32, 80, 192, ?

- (A) 768
- (B) 576
- (C) 448
- (D) 352

128. The 3rd term of the following alphabet series is

ABXW, EFTS, ?, MNLK

- (A) IJOP
- (B) IJPO
- (C) JIOP
- (D) JIPO

129. Which of the following is not a Fundamental Right?

- (A) Right to Constitutional remedies
- (B) Right to Property
- (C) Freedom of Speech
- (D) None of the above

130. Which of the Fundamental Rights is described as 'heart and soul' of the Constitution?
 (A) Right to Freedom
 (B) Right to Religion
 (C) Right to Constitutional remedies
 (D) Right against Exploitation
131. Fiscal deficit is concerned with
 (A) Gap between export and import earnings
 (B) Gap between Public revenue and expenditure of the Government
 (C) Gap between demand and supply of foreign capital
 (D) Gap between demand and supply of currency issued by the Reserve Bank of India
132. What is the chief source of political power in India?
 (A) The Constitution
 (B) The Parliament
 (C) The Parliament and State Legislatures
 (D) People
133. The three-tier system of Panchayati Raj was first adopted by
 (A) West Bengal
 (B) Maharashtra
 (C) Tamil Nadu
 (D) Rajasthan
134. The district which lies at the apex of the Ganga delta in West Bengal is
 (A) Malda
 (B) Mushidabad
 (C) Nadia
 (D) 24-Parganas (N)
135. Damodar in West Bengal flows through the districts of
 (A) Bankura-Bardhaman-Hooghly
 (B) Bardhaman-Hooghly-Purulia
 (C) Hooghly-Howrah-Bankura
 (D) Bardhaman-Hooghly-Howrah
136. Nabadwip is situated to the
 (A) West of the river Bhagirathi
 (B) East of the river Bhagirathi
 (C) West of the river Jalangi
 (D) East of the river Jalangi
137. What is the digit in the unit place of 123^{13} ?
 (A) 9
 (B) 7
 (C) 1
 (D) 3
138. If 3 days ago it was the day after Wednesday, the day after tomorrow is
 (A) Monday
 (B) Tuesday
 (C) Wednesday
 (D) Thursday
139. The total strength of Rajya Sabha cannot exceed
 (A) 200 members
 (B) 250 members
 (C) 300 members
 (D) 350 members
140. Who is the Chairman of the Planning Commission?
 (A) Finance Minister
 (B) Prime Minister
 (C) Planning Minister
 (D) None of the above
141. Which one of the following was not included in terms of reference for the Committee under Dr. Raja Chelleah on Tax reforms appointed by the Government in 1991?
 (A) Suggest ways to improve the elasticity of tax revenue
 (B) Increasing the share of direct taxes by removing anomalies
 (C) Evolve a common code for indirect taxes
 (D) Identify new areas of taxation
142. The President of India is
 (A) The Head of the State
 (B) The Head of the Government
 (C) The Head of the State as well as the Government
 (D) The Head of the council of ministers
143. The Supreme Court of India has the following jurisdiction:
 (A) Original
 (B) Appellate
 (C) Advisory
 (D) All of the above

144. The ore from which copper is obtained in Jharkhand is known as

- (A) Bauxite
- (B) Sillimanite
- (C) Chalcopyrite
- (D) Muscovite

145. Wind during July-August blows in West Bengal from

- (A) North-East
- (B) South-East
- (C) South-West
- (D) North-West

146. The density of population of West Bengal is

- (A) 1035/sq. km.
- (B) 904/sq. km.
- (C) 827/sq. km.
- (D) 736/sq. km.

147. If '>' stands for addition, '<' stands for subtraction and '=' stands for multiplication, then greatest of the following is

- a) $4 > 2 = 2$
 - b) $8 < 1 > 6$
 - c) $7 = 2 < 5$
 - d) $2 > 6 = 2$
- (A) b
 - (B) c
 - (C) d
 - (D) a

148. Among 4 pieces of stones P, Q, R, S — P is heavier than Q, Q is not heavier than R. R is not heavier than S but is heavier than P. Then heaviest stone is

- (A) S
- (B) R
- (C) Q
- (D) P

149. The Union Cabinet is collectively responsible to

- (A) Lok Sabha
- (B) Rajya Sabha
- (C) President of India
- (D) Rajya Sabha & Lok Sabha

150. What is the latest Finance Commission in India?

- (A) VII Commission
- (B) IX Commission
- (C) X Commission
- (D) XII Commission

151. In 1991, India devalued the rupee by what percentage?

- (A) 18
- (B) 33
- (C) 22
- (D) 15.5

152. The Vice President of India is

- (A) Directly elected by the people
- (B) Elected by the same electoral college as in the case of the President
- (C) Nominated by the President
- (D) Elected by the members of the two Houses of the Parliament at a joint meeting

153. The longest river in South India is

- (A) Krishna
- (B) Godavari
- (C) Narmada
- (D) Mahanadi

154. Satyajit Ray was awarded Oscar for life-time achievement in the year

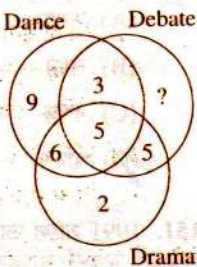
- (A) 1992
- (B) 1993
- (C) 1994
- (D) 1995

155. Khasi hills is located in the state of

- (A) Arunachal Pradesh
- (B) Meghalaya
- (C) Nagaland
- (D) Manipur

Direction for Question Nos. 156 and 157

37 students from 3 colleges P, Q and R are contesting as shown in the adjoining venn diagram.



156. How many students are contesting in debate?

- (A) 7
- (B) 12
- (C) 15
- (D) 20

157. If in the above competition number of participants from colleges P, Q and R are respectively 12, 12 and 13, and the 5 students contesting in all 3 events are from Q, while rest of the members of this college are contesting only in debate. Moreover, competitors contesting both in dance and drama as well as debate and drama are from college P while competitors contesting both in dance and debate are not from same college. Then—

how many members from R are contesting in drama?

- (A) 2
- (B) 3
- (C) 7
- (D) 8

158. The President of India can resign his office by addressing to

- (A) Speaker of Lok Sabha
- (B) The Vice-President
- (C) The Prime Minister
- (D) The Chief Justice of India

159. The amendment procedure of the Indian Constitution is

- (A) Flexible
- (B) Rigid
- (C) Partly flexible, partly rigid
- (D) None of the above

160. Who is the guardian of public purse?

- (A) Attorney General of India
- (B) The President of India
- (C) Lok Sabha
- (D) The Comptroller & Auditor General of India

161. Disguised unemployment refers to

- (A) Persons with no job
- (B) More persons employed for a job, which a few can accomplish
- (C) Unemployment among women
- (D) Unemployment among senior citizens

162. The Vice President is ex-officio Chairman of

- (A) The Rajya Sabha
- (B) The National Development Council
- (C) The Planning Commission
- (D) The Finance Commission

163. The mountain range which has separated West Bengal from Nepal is

- (A) Karakoram
- (B) Sikkim hills
- (C) Singalila
- (D) Kalimpong hills

164. Indian Space Research Organisation is at

- (A) Tribandrum
- (B) Bangalore
- (C) Tiruchirapally
- (D) New Delhi

165. The meaning of the word "Tarai" is

- (A) Dry
- (B) Wet
- (C) Low land
- (D) High land

166. The term ASCII is related with

- (A) Boxing
- (B) Archery
- (C) Billiards
- (D) Computer

167. The author of the book 'My India' is

- (A) R. K. Narayan
- (B) S. Nihal Singh
- (C) Swami Vivekananda
- (D) Gandhiji

168. The term of the office of the Comptroller and Auditor-General shall be

- (A) 4 years
- (B) 5 years
- (C) 6 years
- (D) 8 years

169. Who can dissolve Lok Sabha before the expiry of five years?

- (A) The President
- (B) The Speaker
- (C) The President on recommendation of the Speaker
- (D) The President on recommendation of the Prime Minister

170. The Union Council of Ministers is to resign if a vote of no-confidence is passed by

- (A) Rajya Sabha
- (B) Lok Sabha
- (C) Two Houses in a joint session
- (D) None of the above

171. Which one of the following is not included in land reforms undertaken in West Bengal?

- (A) Abolition of intermediaries
- (B) Fixation of fair rents for share croppers
- (C) Fixation of ceiling of holding by individuals to ensure fair distribution of ownership
- (D) Crop insurance scheme

172. The Prime Minister is

- (A) The Head of the State
- (B) The Head of the Government
- (C) The Head of the State as well as the Government
- (D) None of the above

173. The number of districts in West Bengal is

- (A) 16
- (B) 17
- (C) 18
- (D) 19

174. The 'half life' of a radio-active substance is 5 years. The fraction of the radio-active substance that will remain after 20 years is

- (A) $\frac{1}{4}$
- (B) $\frac{1}{8}$
- (C) $\frac{1}{16}$
- (D) $\frac{1}{32}$

175. The greatest coffee producing state in India is

- (A) Karnataka
- (B) Tamil Nadu
- (C) Kerala
- (D) Andhra Pradesh

176. The smallest planet of the Solar System is

- (A) Mercury
- (B) Venus
- (C) Pluto
- (D) Mars

177. A few boys are sitting in a row. Position of P is 8th counting from left, and that of Q is 20th counting from right. There are 2 boys between them and Q is on the left of P.

Then the position of Q counting from left is

- (A) 5th
- (B) 6th
- (C) 10th
- (D) 11th

178. The Comptroller and Auditor-General shall submit his report to

- (A) Prime Minister
- (B) President
- (C) Lok Sabha
- (D) Rajya Sabha

179. A Money Bill can be introduced only in

- (A) Rajya Sabha
- (B) Lok Sabha
- (C) In either House of the Parliament
- (D) In the joint sitting of both the Houses

180. Rajya Sabha is a permanent body, but

- (A) One-half of its members is to retire every three years
- (B) One-fifth of its members is to retire every year
- (C) One-third of its members is to retire every two years
- (D) None of the above

181. The success of Green Revolution depends on timely availability of

- (A) HYV seeds
- (B) Adequate irrigation facilities
- (C) Chemical fertilisers and pesticides
- (D) All of the above

182. The members of the Council of Ministers are appointed
- By the Prime Minister
 - By the President on the recommendation of the Parliament
 - By the President on the advice of the Prime Minister
 - By the President at his discretion
183. The district of West Bengal through which the river Subarnarekha flows is
- Bankura
 - Paschim Medinipur
 - Purba Medinipur
 - Howrah
184. Women's Olympic Tournament, 2004 was held at
- Athens
 - Sydney
 - Atlanta
 - Tokyo
185. Bagmundi hills in West Bengal are located in the district of
- Purulia
 - Bankura
 - Bardhaman
 - Paschim Medinipur
186. The film 'Teesri Kasam' was directed by
- Subhas Ghai
 - Basu Bhattacharya
 - Basu Chatterjee
 - Shyama Benegal
187. Find next term of the following time-series:
9 hr. 52 min., 10 hr. 13 min., 10 hr. 35 min.,
10 hr. 58 min., ?
- 11 hr. 23 min.
 - 11 hr. 22 min.
 - 11 hr. 19 min.
 - 11 hr. 24 min.
188. According to the Indian Constitution, the discretionary powers can be used by the
- President
 - Governor
 - Prime Minister
 - Vice-President
189. The Governor of the State is accountable to
- The State Legislature
 - The State Council of Ministers
 - The Prime Minister
 - The President
190. Who presides over the joint session of Parliament?
- The President
 - The Speaker
 - Vice-President
 - Chairman of Rajya Sabha
191. National Income of India is estimated by
- Ministry of Finance, Government of India
 - Planning Commission
 - Central Statistical Organisation, Department of Statistics, Government of India
 - Reserve Bank of India
192. Who decides whether a bill is a money bill or not?
- The Speaker of the Lok Sabha
 - The Prime Minister
 - The President
 - A special parliamentary committee
193. The number of districts belonging to North Bengal is
- Four
 - Five
 - Six
 - Seven
194. 'Land of midnight sun' is
- Japan
 - Finland
 - Norway
 - Madagascar
195. The name of the nuclear power station near Mumbai is
- Tarapur
 - Kalpakkam
 - Narora
 - Ranapratap Sagar
196. Howrah Bridge (Rabindra Setu) was inaugurated in the year
- 1940
 - 1942
 - 1944
 - 1946

197. The next two terms of the following series are
3, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 15, 15, —, —
(A) 18, 19
(B) 19, 19
(C) 19, 18
(D) 20, 18

198. The Constitution of India is enforced in the year
(A) 1946
(B) 1949
(C) 1950
(D) 1952

199. Who was the Chairman of the Commission appointed to review the question of Centre-State relation?
(A) Manmohan Singh
(B) Swaran Singh
(C) R. S. Sarkaria
(D) S. C. Sarkar

200. What is the maximum gap allowed between two sessions of Parliament?
(A) 3 months
(B) 6 months
(C) 8 months
(D) 1 year