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	(B)	3	4	2	1			
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	(D)	2	4	1	3			
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	Pick	out th	e senter	nce with	the wro	ong usage of	art	icles :
	(A)	The	cow is a	useful a	animal			
	(B)	The	rose is t	he swee	test of a	all flowers	· .	
	(C)	Let's	s go to th	ne park				
	Dr.	The	banyan	is a kind	d of a fig	g tree		
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	13		been bu				B)	are building
`	(C) ·		be build				D)	had been building





6. Pick out the correct words from the options given below : He gave me notes. (A) a ten five rupee (B) ten five rupees (C) a ten five rupee's ten five rupee (D) 7. Which one of the following word is incorrect? (A) means (B) scissors luggages (D) premises **Passage**:

Even researchers are finding that introverts make better leaders than extroverts for the simple reason that they are more likely to listen and pay attention to what other people are saying. By taking a backseat, introverted leaders encourage others to suggest ideas, contribute actively and take initiative, thus increasing morale and motivation.

8. Introverts make better leaders because they are ______.
(A) interested ______ attentive
(C) attention-seeking ______ (D) alluring

9. Which one of the following sentence is incorrect?

- (A) The flowers smell sweet.
- Of Mumbai and Chennai, the former is the wealthiest.

(C) Six miles is a long distance.

(D) As a novelist, Jane Austen is superior to Mrs. Henry Wood.

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10. Identify the sentence which is in the positive degree

> His age is a matter of minor importance. (10

- This is the most perfect specimen I have seen. (B)
- The last time I saw him, he was in high spirits. (C)
- The longest lane has a turning. · (D)

Identify the sentence which is in the positive degree : 11.

- This is a major issue.
- The latter chapters are lacking in interest. (B)
- (C) Rama's intelligence is superior to Hari's.
- (D) He is junior to all his colleagues.
- Which one of the following words is an example of a compound word consisting of an 12. adverb + participle?

(B)

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(B)

well defined

outsourcing

Personification

Metaphor

- (A) pale blue
- (C) : seafood

13.

- Which figure of speech does the expression, "the hissing noise of the snake" contain?
- anaphora (A) logopoeia onomatoepia (C) diaspora

14.

The figure of speech used by Walt Whitman in these lines is -

"The ship is anchor'd safe and sound, its voyage closed and done" -

- Oxymoron (A)
- (C) Simile

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	Wha	t does the word " <u>Sandwiched</u> " r	nean here?		
	(A)	Become like a food item	(B)	Trapped	
	(C)	Replaced	(D)	Pressed between two things	
16.	H.W	Longfellow's poem "The Psalm	<u>of Life</u> " is a p	iece of	
	(A)	Prayer	(B)	Encomium	
	(C)	Appeal	(D)	Advice	
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17.	Who	do you think is these lines add	ressed to :		
	You	cannot rob us of the rights we c	herish,		
	Nor	turn our thoughts away			
	From	a the bright picture of a 'women	's mission'	· · ·	
	Our	hearts portray			
	(A) (B)	An individual reader The poet's companion	a 2	4 7	
	(L) (L)	Society at large			
	(D)	A particular misogynist group	-		
-				· (3)	
18.	Whic	h of the following lines belong t	o H.W. Longfe	llow's "A Psalm of Life"?	•
	(A)	And you O my soul where you	stand		
	(B)	All human roads are dark and	dry		
	(C)	Your minstrel has no wreath t	o weave for yo	ou -	
	()	Art is long and time is fleeting	5		
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(A)



- 23. In Oscar Wilde's "The Selfish Giant' the spring season did not come to the giant's garden because
 - (A) he built a huge wall around his garden.
 - (B) he was very unkind to the spring season.
 - he did not allow the children inside the garden
 - (D) he liked winter season

In Oscar Wilde's "The Model Millionaire" Hughie is humane and handsome but

(C) heartless

ineffable

(D) a paranoid

a man of no means

25. In Oscar Wilde's 'The Selfish Giant', the giant's heart melted when he saw

- (A) the spring season (B) the children playing in the garden
- (C) the children singing and dancing a little child unable to climb a tree

26. In Oscar Wilde's 'The Model Millionaire' what did Hughie do in Alan Trevor's absence?

- (A) Hughie spoke to the beggar I Hughi
- (C) Hughie enjoyed a smoke
- Hughie gave the beggar some money
- (D) Hughie was dreaming

27. In Oscar Wilde's 'The Selfish Giant' only one little boy did not run away on seeing the giant because

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- (A) he was blind
- (C) he was afraid

- (B) he was lame
- In the did not see the giant coming

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28.	"The	habit of co-operation once required will continue with you all your life"	
	Which	n among the options best conveys the meaning of the above passage?	
	(A)	The author insists on hard work	
	J.	The author states the importance of team work	
	(C)	The author insists on friendship	
	(D)	The author reiterates the importance of good behaviour	
	-		
29.	"No	matter what happened, I always insisted on their being themselves".	ŝ.
	What	does the writer mean by this statement? Choose the right option from the following.	
	(A)	the writer wants human beings to be day dreamers	
	(B)	the writer wants human beings to be in their own world	
	(C)	the writer wants human beings to be calm.	•
		the writer wants human beings to be individuals and not to imitate others	
30.	What	is a refrain?	
	(A)	The first line of a poem that is repeated in all stanzas	
	J.	The repetition of a line or lines within a poem, at given intervals	
	(C)	The first line and the last line are one and the same in the last stanza	
	(D)	The last two lines of the first stanza and the last two lines of the last stanza are one	
		and the same	
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31.	What	is the height of Shiva linga in the sanctum sanctorum of the Briha	deeswarar Templ
	K	8.7 metres	
	(B)	8.5 metres	
	(C)	8.8 metres	
	(D)	8.9 metres	
	(1)	o.5 metres	
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32.	The au	uthor who wrote the lesson 'Yaanai Malai' suffered from the disease	9 ?
	(A)	Chronic Glaucoma	
9	(A)	Chrome Glaucoma	
	(D)	Retinitis Pigmentosa	
	(C)	Astigmatism	
	(D)	Myopic Vision	
			•
33.	where	is Yaanai Malai located?	,
·	(A)	In the South Eastern outskirts of Madurai	
	0)	In the North Eastern outskirts of Madurai	
	(C).	In the North Western outskirts of Madurai	
•	(0).	in the routin webbern outskilles of madural	
	(D)	In the South Western outskirts of Madurai	. 1
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45.	"Envy is ignorance and imitation is suicide	e",
	These are the words of	
	(A) Robert Frost	(B) Khalil Gibran
	(C) F. Joanna	Calph Waldo Emerson
46.	Annie Louisa Walker is a well-known	
10.	(A) Canadian – born	and the second se
	British – born	(B) American – born
	() Dritish – born	(D) Australian – born
47.	is not a Nobel Prize winner.	
	(A) Rudyard Kipling	(B) William Golding
	Oscar Wilde	(D) Pearl S. Buck
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48.	Match the poems under Column 'A' wit correct code :	th the poets under Column 'B' and select
	Column A	Column B
	(a) The Apology	1. Jack Prelutsky
	(b) Be Glad your nose is on your face	2. Emerson
	(c) Where the mind is without fear	3. David Roth
	(d) Nine Gold Medals	4. Tagore
	(a) (b) (c) (d)	
	(A) 2 . 1 · 3 4	
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49. The ozone gas that acts like a <u>canopy</u>, protecting you from the harmful ultra violet rays of the Sun is depleting.

Identify the option closest in meaning to the underlined word :

- (A) a preventive medicine
- (B) a damage-control system

🧭 🛛 an overhanging shelter

(D) a storehouse of gases

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		Columi	n A				Column B	
	(a)	I can ri	ide a n	iotor cyc	le	1.	Asking for permission	
	(b)	No one	can be	e right a	ll the time	2.	Theoretical possibility	
I	(c)	Can l u	ise you	r mobile	e phone, ple	ease? · 3.	Ability	
I	(d)	Anyone	e can n	nake mi	stakes	4.	Possibility	
	Resp	onses :						
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d) .			
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	(B)	1	3.	2	4			
	(C)	4	3	1	2			
	(D)	2	1	4	, 3			,
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	(C)	stren		·		(D)	weakness	
	(0)	streng	·			. (2)		
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2.	Choo	se the c	correct	synony	m for the u	nderlined w	ord from the options give	n: ·
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	(A)	major	•			, (B)	short	
	(2)	essen	tial			(D)	negligible	
3.	Some	e peop	le arg	ue that	computer	isation wil	I <u>aggravate</u> the unemp	oloyment problem.
					the underlin			
	(A)	wipe	out	•		(B)	consolidate	
	C	allevi	ate			(D)	remove	
		•						
4	Choo	se the	approp	riate st	em-word w	ith which th	e prefix 'mal' can combin	e.
•	(A)		tional			(B)	theism	
	(C)	colon			<i>′</i> .	Jen 1	nourished	
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~	(C)	Meena Alexander	(D)	Chitra Diwakaruni ᠂	
		Kalpana Chawla	(B)	Sunita Williams	
	Georg	ge W.Bush spoke these lines a		a	
72.	hund	left India as a student, but reds of miles above' –		e the nation of her birt	h, all of it, from
	(C)	A Psalm of Life	(D)	The Solitary Reaper	
	(A)	Be the best	· (B)	Tables turned	
	These	e lines appear in ———	—.·	•	
		after it was heard no more"			
71.	"The	music in my heart I bore			
	(D)	Kamala Das in "Punishmen	t in the Kinder	garten	,
	(D)	Wordsworth in "The Solitary	- 6	" — — — — — — — — — —	•
	(B)	Khalil Gibran in 'Earth' Wordsworth in "The Solitor	"Door-"		
	(A) (P)	Hopkins in 'Laugh and be M	lerry		. ·
		welcome notes to weary band			
		Nightingale did ever chant			
70.		se the option containing the a	uthor of the fol	lowing lines	
				· ·	•
	(C)	Success	(D)	Happiness	•••••
	14	Obstacles	(B)	Victory	
69.		out the meaning of the undo me not to the marriage of true			Sonnet No. 116 :
		Scotland	(D)	Ireland	
	(A)	England Scotland	(B)	America	
		underlined word in the above			
		solitary <u>Highland</u> Lass!			











78.	Paulr	nack was the director of the music division at
	(A)	The Boston Conservatory
	(B)	The Philharmonic Royal
	(C)	The France School of Arts
	(D)	The Manhattan Academy
79.	Whic Raise	h one of the following statements is not related to the lesson "Music – The Hope r"?
	(A)	Music is a basic need of human survival
	(B)	Music is one of the ways we make sense of our lives.
	101	Music is a luxury and lavish thing
	·(D)	Music is not an extravaganza or a hobby
80.		composed the German Requiem.
	(A)	Messiaen
		Johannes Brahms
	(C)	Charles Tindley
	(D)	Karl Paulnack
81.	Who	wrote the following motivational poem, "You can't be that, No, You can't be that"?
	 (A)	Hope Spencer
	(B)	Dale Carnegi
•	(0)	Brian Patten
	(D)	Rupert Brooke
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83.





VA)	Laxmi			
(B)	Kundu			•
(C)	Bamon			
(D)	Raman Singh	Э	2	47

- 84. "A-dominant landmark of the north-eastern outskirts of Madurai is Yaanai Malai" Choose the inappropriate statement from the following
 - (A) Yaanai malai is a solid rocky hill
 - (B) Yaanai malai is in the north-east direction of Madurai
 - Madurai is the landmark of Yaanai malai
 - (D) Yaanai malai is otherwise called elephant hill

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		Colu	mn A			Column B	
	(a)	trasł	1		1.	faucet	
	(b)	cooki			2.	candy	
	(c)	swee			3.	rubbish	
	2.3%	tap			4.	biscuit ·	
	(4)						
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)		
	(A)	3	4	2	1		
	(B)	4	2	, ,	1		
	(C)	3	2	4	1		
	(D)	1	3	2	4		、
86.	'Car	r park'	in Britis	sh Engli	sh is —		
	(A)	Par	king spa	ace		32417	
	(B)	Par	king fee	s	IU		
	(C)	Par	king plo	t			
	1951	Par	king lot				
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87.	Fin	d out t	he Briti	sh Engli	sh equiv	alent of "fall"	
	(A)	Wi	nter				
	(B)	Su	nmer		-		
	(C)		ing				•
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	The future very grim.	
	The underlined words mean	and respectively.
	(A) confusing and dark	(B) dear and lovely
	boring and sad	(D) damp and weak
89.	the second se	h the authors under Column 'B' and select the correct
947.94 947.94	code. Column A	Column B
	(a) A Psalm of Life	1. Lewis Carroll
	(b) Is Life But a Dream	2. H.W. Longfellow
	(c) Going for water	3. Kamala Das
	(d) Punishment in Kindergarten	4. Robert Frost
	(a) (b) (c) (d)	
	(A) 2 3 1 4	
	(B) 2 3 4 1	
	(C) 4 2 3 1	
•		
90.	Which of the following is not a poem?	
	(A) Shilpi	
	(B) Be the Best	
•	(C) Off to Outerspace Tomorrow Mor	ning
	Flying with the moon on their wir	ngs
91.	Which of the following is a short story?	
	(A) Be the Best	The Tears of the Desert
	(C) The Flying Wonder	(D) The Man He Killed
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96.	Whi	ch of the	follow	wing wo	orks is no	ot a poem	?			
	(A)	Be the	Best				(B)	Manline	268	
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	100	The La	st Le	af			(B)	The Self	fish Giant	
	(C)	The Lo	ttery	Ticket			(D)	The Ope	en Window	
99.	Wha	t is the ti	itle of	HWI	ongfello	w'e volum	a of n	oome whi	ch included "A P	and of Life
00.	(A)	Hiawat			Longreno	a s voiun	(B)		a Wayside-Inn	Sami OI Life
•	(C)	Evange							f the Night	
	• •									
100.	Mate	the foll		gţ						
		Quote/L	ine	_					Author/Charac	cter
	(a)	"I was b	orn a	farmer	c"	s.		1.	Kamala Suray	уа
	(b)	"Nations	s are	built by	y the ima	gination	and	2.	Kesavan Nair	
•		untiring	; enth	usiasti	c efforts	of generat	tions"			
	(c)	You	canno	ot belie	ve darlin	g, can you	u that	3.	A.P.J. Abdul K	lalam '
		I lived in	n such	n a hou	se					
	· (d)					My Fath	er	4.	Rabindranath	Tagore
		let my co	ountr	y awak	e"					
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