



## SSC Multi-Tasking Staff (Non Technical) Exam Mock Test -5 (General English)

**Directions:** Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it. Certain words are given in bold to help you to locate them while answering some of the questions.

Recent advances in science and technology have made it possible for geneticists to find out abnormalities in the unborn foetus and take remedial action to rectify some defects which would otherwise prove to be fatal to the child. Though genetic engineering is still at its infancy, scientists can now predict with greater accuracy a genetic disorder. It is not yet an exact science since they are not in a position to predict when exactly a genetic disorder will set in. While they have not yet been able to change the genetic order of the gene in germs, they are optimistic and are holding out that in the near future they might be successful in achieving this feat. They have, however, acquired the ability in manipulating tissue cells. However, genetic misinformation can sometimes be damaging for it may adversely affect people psychologically. Genetic information may lead to a tendency to brand some people as inferiors. Genetic information can therefore be abused and its application in deciding the sex of the foetus and its subsequent abortion is now hotly debated on ethical lines. But on this issue geneticists cannot be squarely blamed though this charge has often been levelled at them. It is mainly a societal problem. At present genetic engineering is a costly process of detecting disorders but scientists hope to reduce the costs when technology becomes more advanced. This is why much progress in this area has been possible in scientifically advanced and rich countries like the USA, UK and Japan. It remains to be seen if in the future this science will lead to the development of a race of supermen or will be able to obliterate disease from this world.

**51. Which of the following, according of genetics in becoming an exact science?**

- (A) Technicians will not be able to determine the time when genetic disorder will set in
- (B) Technicians have not been able to manipulate germ cells.

- (a) A only
- (b) B only
- (c) Both A and B
- (d) Either A or B

**52. Which of the following is the same in meaning as the word 'squarely' as used in the passage?**

- (a) rigidly
- (b) firmly
- (c) directly
- (d) at right angle

**53. Which of the following is not true, according to the passage?**

- (a) Society is not affected by the research in genetic engineering.
- (b) Genetic engineers are not able to say some things with certainty.
- (c) If genetic information is not properly handled, it will create problems.
- (d) Manipulation of genes is presently done only in tissue cell.

**54. According to the author, the present state of knowledge about heredity has made geneticists.**

- (a) introspective
- (b) accusative
- (c) arrogant
- (d) optimistic

**55. What is the tone of the author in the last sentence of the passage?**

- (a) resignation
- (b) cautious
- (c) relief
- (d) concern

**56. Which of the following is not true of the genetic engineering movement?**

- (a) Possibility of abuse
- (b) It is confronted by ethical problems.
- (c) Increased tendency to manipulate gene cells.
- (d) Acquired ability to detect genetics disorders in unborn babies.

**57. Which of the following is the same in meaning as the word 'feat' as used in the passage?**

- (a) process
- (b) focus

- (c) fact
- (d) goal

**58. Why, according to the author, is genetic misinformation severely damaging.**

- (A) The cost involved is very high.
- (B) Some people are unjustly branded as inferior.
- (a) A only
- (b) B only
- (c) Both A and B
- (d) Neither A nor B

**59. In the passage, 'abused' means**

- (a) insulted
- (b) talked about
- (c) killed
- (d) misused

**60. At present genetic engineering can rectify all genetic disorder, is it?**

- (a) Yes
- (b) No
- (c) It can do so only in some cases
- (d) Cannot be said

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**Directions:** Which of the phrases (a), (b), (c) and (d) given below should replace the phrase given in bold in the following sentence to make the sentence grammatically meaningful and correct.

**61. Finding himself in financial difficulty, he came forward me for help and advice.**

- (a) came across
- (b) is come upto
- (c) came to
- (d) comes with

**62. Deepak having been over eighteen years of age, is entitled to vote.**

- (a) has been of
- (b) being over
- (c) who is having over
- (d) who is been

**63. The magazine that we subscribe to is published monthly.**

- (a) which is subscribed
- (b) we are subscribed

- (c) whom we subscribe
- (d) whichever we subscribe

**64. Among of his many good qualities, that I remember is his honesty.**

- (a) All of his
- (b) Some of the
- (c) Only of his
- (d) One of his

**65. Many of our clients have deposit of this foreign bank.**

- (a) have deposits in
- (b) had deposited
- (c) with deposits
- (d) have deposited

**Directions :** In each question below a sentence with four words printed in bold type is given. These are numbered as (a), (b), (c) and (d). One of these four words printed in bold may be either wrongly spelt or inappropriate in the context of the sentence. Find out the word, which is wrongly spelt or inappropriate, if any. The number of that word is your answer.

**66. We have incurred (l)/an expense (b)/of over fifty thousands (c)/this year alone (d)**

**67. World Earth Day is celebrated (a)/ as a means (b)/to make people aware (c)/ about the environment/(d)**

**68. The key issue (l)/discussed (b)/at the meeting was how to resolve (c)/the food crisis (d)**

**69. He deserves (a)/some recognition (b)/for working diligently (c)/for the passed (d)/five years.**

**70. There are many employment (a)/opportunities (b) /for fresh graduates (c)/No error(d)**

**Directions: Rearrange the following six sentences (A), (B), (C), (D), (E) and (F) in the proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph; then .answer the questions given below them.**

- (A) The sailor was told it was placed there as a warning signal to sailors to warn them of the danger.
- (B) He returned to the spot a few years later as captain of his own ship.
- (C) The ship was at sea for many days and finally anchored near the coastline.
- (D) The night was stormy and without a warning signal his ship was wrecked on that very rock.
- (E) One of the sailors on board saw a bell tied to a dangerous submerged rock.
- (F) As a joke the sailor decided to steal the bell and hide it despite being informed of this.

**71. Which of the following should be the FIRST sentence after rearrangement?**

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) E



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**72. Which of the following should be the SECOND sentence after rearrangement?**

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D

**73. Which of the following should be the THIRD sentence after rearrangement?**

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D

**74. Which of the following should be the FIFTH sentence after rearrangement?**

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D

**75. Which of the following should be the SIXTH (LAST) sentence after rearrangement?**

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D

**Directions:** Read each sentence to find out whether there is any error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer.

**76. In present the (a)/prices of food grains (b)/are high all (c)/over the world (d)**

**77. Majority of the banks (a)/today uses technology (b)/to reach out to those (c)/living in rural areas (d)\**

**78. I will give (a)/you the advance (b)/if you repay it as (c) No error (d).**

**79. Though he is very (a)/wealthy and powerful (b)/he has any (c)/concern for the poor (d)**

**80. Mala has the (a)/liability to handle (b)/ many tasks at (c)/the same time (d)**

**Directions :** In the following passage there are blanks each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each five words are suggested one of which fits the blank appropriately. Find out the appropriate word in each case. I had (81) to become a multi purpose manager. I took three steps to accomplish this. First, I took very (82) part in professional associations. I (83) the National President of the Indian Society for Training and Development—one of the (84) organizations for HR professionals. This helped me to grow professionally. My communication skills (85) . It also taught me (86) to conduct meetings in an effective manner. My job (87) me to different arts of the country and I (88) believe that (89) provided me with an education. I

also wrote a lot. Newspaper editors often approached me with (90) to write articles for their publications.

**81.** (a) achieved

(b) aim

(c) try

(d) dreamed

**82.** (a) selected

(b) active

(c) interesting

(d) often

**83.** (a) elected

(b) voted

(c) became

(d) applied

**84.** (a) respected

(b) status

(c) impressed

(d) aged

**85.** (a) lacked

(b) grown

(c) learnt

(d) improved

**86.** (a) that

(b) why

(c) how

(d) never

**87.** (a) saw

(b) showed

(c) posted

(d) discovered

**88.** (a) quiet

(b) firmly

(c) strong

(d) first

**89.** (a) travelling

(b) journey

- (c) visit
- (d) migrating
- 90. (a) wish
- (b) offer
- (c) appointments
- (d) requests

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91. The income (a)/of many people in rural (b)/India is not adequate (c)/to satisfy (d)/their basic needs.

92. He is always (a)/prompt (b)/in caring (c)/out instructions (d)

93. The revized (a)/rates (b)/of interest will be effective (c)/immediately (d)

94. Such transactions (a)/are quiet (b)/ expensive (c)/ and time consuming (d)

95. The guidelines (a)/of the new scheme (b)/are expected (c)/ to be finally (d)

**Directions:** Read each sentence to find out whether there is any error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer.

96. Many multinational companies (a)/have not been as (b)/successful in India (c)/than we expected (d)

97. He has ruined (a)/his eyesight (b)/by not using (c)/ his spectacles regularly (d)

98. Mostly of the (a)/newly recruited officers (b)/ have no experience (c) No error (d)

99. The resignation of (a)/one of our directors (b)/ have caused the price (c)/of shares to fall (d).

100. There are many (a)/ways of which (b)/inflation can (c)/ be measured (d)





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