



SSC CPO Exam Paper - 2017 "held on 05 July 2017" Shift-2

(English Comprehension/अंग्रेजी परिज्ञान)

QID : 351 - In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'.

Roshni always want (1)/ to get the best of facilities (2)/ whether she deserves it or not. (3)/ No Error (4)

Options:

- 1) 1
- 2) 2
- 3) 3
- 4) 4

Correct Answer: 1

QID : 352 - In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'.

Rohan's mother advised (1)/ him not to drive the (2)/ car lately at night. (3)/ No Error (4)

Options:

- 1) 1
- 2) 2
- 3) 3
- 4) 4

Correct Answer: 3

QID : 353 - In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'.

I insisted but neither Praveen or his (1)/ friend Bharat is ready (2)/ to work on holiday. (3)/ No Error (4)

Options:

- 1) 1
- 2) 2
- 3) 3
- 4) 4

Correct Answer: 1

QID : 354 - In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'.

Prabhat is impressed by his (1)/ younger brother because he is cleverer (2)/ and amusing than he is. (3)/ No Error (4)

Options:

- 1) 1
- 2) 2
- 3) 3
- 4) 4

Correct Answer: 3

QID : 355 - In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'.

In order to reach his office on time (1)/ Rohan has jogged two miles a day (2)/ until he bought his bike. (3)/ No Error (4)

Options:]

- 1) 1
- 2) 2
- 3) 3
- 4) 4

Correct Answer: 2

QID : 356 - In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option.

My house is adjacent _____ Central park.

Options:

- 1) to
- 2) with
- 3) of
- 4) from

Correct Answer: to

QID : 357 - In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option.

I prefer walking _____ jogging because I enjoy the gentle exercise of walking much more than jogging.

Options:

- 1) than
- 2) while
- 3) to
- 4) upon

Correct Answer: to

QID : 358 - In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option.

Rohan _____ for this company since 2007.

Options:

- 1) has been working
- 2) is working
- 3) had worked
- 4) worked

Correct Answer: has been working

QID : 359 - In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option.

Though he is old _____ he is strong.

Options:

- 1) but
- 2) yet
- 3) till
- 4) although

Correct Answer: yet

QID : 360 - In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option.

She is a little suspicious _____ Naraine's true intentions.

Options:

- 1) on
- 2) of
- 3) with
- 4) for

Correct Answer: of

QID : 361 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word similar in meaning to the word given.

Antipathy

Options:

- 1) Clumsy
- 2) Dislike
- 3) Annoying
- 4) Afraid

Correct Answer: Dislike

QID : 362 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word similar in meaning to the word given.

Dearth

Options:

- 1) reduce
- 2) contrast
- 3) shortage
- 4) glorify

Correct Answer: shortage

QID : 363 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word similar in meaning to the word given.

Piquant

Options:

- 1) distressing
- 2) gabble
- 3) appealing
- 4) pliable

Correct Answer: appealing

QID : 364 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word similar in meaning to the word given.

Presumptuous

Options:

- 1) arrogant
- 2) negligent

- 3) resonant
- 4) assumption

Correct Answer: arrogant

QID : 365 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word similar in meaning to the word given.

Stentorian

Options:

- 1) loyal and committed
- 2) extremely loud
- 3) unnecessary
- 4) very strict

Correct Answer: extremely loud

QID : 366 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word opposite in meaning to the word given.

Tedious

Options:

- 1) ambiguity
- 2) interesting
- 3) incidental
- 4) devotional

Correct Answer: interesting

QID : 367 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word opposite in meaning to the word given.

Turbulent

Options:

- 1) vivacious
- 2) peaceful
- 3) prophecy
- 4) affirm

Correct Answer: peaceful

QID : 368 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word opposite in meaning to the word given.

Ulterior

Options:

- 1) damp
- 2) hoarse
- 3) defiant
- 4) overt

Correct Answer: overt

QID : 369 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word opposite in meaning to the word given.

Vanity

Options:

- 1) zest
- 2) abdicate
- 3) conceit
- 4) modesty

Correct Answer: modesty

QID : 370 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word opposite in meaning to the word given.

Malaise

Options:

- 1) despair
- 2) sickness
- 3) healthy
- 4) enervation

Correct Answer: healthy

QID : 371 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.

A cock and bull story

Options:

- 1) An important story
- 2) An imaginary story
- 3) A long story
- 4) A short story

Correct Answer: An imaginary story

QID : 372 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.

Black ox

Options:

- 1) Nervous
- 2) Impossible
- 3) Misfortune
- 4) Ugly

Correct Answer: Misfortune

QID : 373 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.

Broke a lance with

Options:

- 1) To appear suddenly
- 2) To argue against
- 3) To burst out
- 4) To break promise

Correct Answer: To argue against

QID : 374 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.

Cry wolf

Options:

- 1) To condemn
- 2) To praise aloud

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- 3) To raise a false alarm
- 4) Clamour

Correct Answer: To raise a false alarm

QID : 375 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.

Broke Reed

Options:

- 1) Stiffness
- 2) To break trust
- 3) Support that failed
- 4) To break peace

Correct Answer: Support that failed

QID : 376 - Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

The burglar (broke in) Mr. Mehta's house last night.

Options:

- 1) broke open
- 2) broke through
- 3) broke into
- 4) no improvement

Correct Answer: broke into

QID : 377 - Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

No sooner (he had returned home then) his grandparents felt happy.

Options:

- 1) did he return home than
- 2) he had returned home than
- 3) had he returned home when
- 4) no improvement

Correct Answer: did he return home than

QID : 378 - Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

Ayesha purchased (the very good) of all the suits kept in the shop.

Options:

- 1) the most good
- 2) the best
- 3) the very better
- 4) no improvement

Correct Answer: the best

QID : 379 - Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

The train (left) before she reached the station.

Options:

- 1) would have left
- 2) has had left
- 3) had left
- 4) no improvement

Correct Answer: had left

Candidate Answer: [NOT ANSWERED]

QID : 380 - Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

My opinion (for) this film is that it will buy the Oscar award.

Options:

- 1) on
- 2) about
- 3) to
- 4) no improvement

Correct Answer: about

QID : 381 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

A short journey for pleasure

Options:

- 1) holiday
- 2) stroll

- 3) excursion
- 4) sniper

Correct Answer: excursion

QID : 382 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

Receiving guests warmly

Options:

- 1) hospitality
- 2) philanderer
- 3) docility
- 4) obituary

Correct Answer: hospitality

QID : 383 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

Science of the constitution of the whole universe

Options:

- 1) ethnology
- 2) ornithology
- 3) physiology
- 4) cosmography

Correct Answer: cosmography

QID : 384 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

Tale that brings bad reputation to somebody

Options:

- 1) pantheon
- 2) felony
- 3) scandal
- 4) portico

Correct Answer: scandal

QID : 385 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

A man who is recovering from illness.

Options:

- 1) dilettante
- 2) emeritus
- 3) convalescent
- 4) bohemian

Correct Answer: convalescent

QID : 386 - In the following question, four words are given out of which one word is incorrectly spelt. Select the incorrectly spelt word.

Options:

- 1) commission
- 2) commentary
- 3) commitee
- 4) competition

Correct Answer: commitee

QID : 387 - In the following question, four words are given out of which one word is incorrectly spelt. Select the incorrectly spelt word.

Options:

- 1) millennium
- 2) millionaire
- 3) millenerian
- 4) manageable

Correct Answer: millenerian

QID : 388 - In the following question, four words are given out of which one word is incorrectly spelt. Select the incorrectly spelt word.

Options:

- 1) patience
- 2) pancreas

- 3) omnisceint
- 4) occurrence

Correct Answer: omnisceint

QID : 389 - In the following question, four words are given out of which one word is incorrectly spelt. Select the incorrectly spelt word.

Options:

- 1) quiesence
- 2) quotient
- 3) quinine
- 4) questionnaire

Correct Answer: quiesence

QID : 390 - In the following question, four words are given out of which one word is incorrectly spelt. Select the incorrectly spelt word.

Options:

- 1) mellifluence
- 2) seudomonas
- 3) syndrome
- 4) vicissitude

Correct Answer: seudomonas

QID : 391 - In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives.

World unity will bring many great _____. Life will become happier and more _____ on account of the elimination of fear of war and mental tension. With the _____ of machinery man will be relieved of the _____ of monotonous and hard physical labour. The _____ pressure of depression and discontent will be lifted and the whole world will become man's own home.

World unity will bring many great _____.

Options:

- 1) consequences
- 2) advantages
- 3) personalities
- 4) resources

Correct Answer: advantages

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more _____ on account of the elimination of fear of war

Options:

- 1) secure
- 2) sophisticated
- 3) complicated
- 4) sensible

Correct Answer: secure

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With the _____ of machinery

Options:

- 1) introduction
- 2) repair
- 3) installation
- 4) elimination

Correct Answer: introduction

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relieved of the _____ of monotonous and hard physical labour.

Options:

- 1) fewer
- 2) drudgery
- 3) piety
- 4) ardor

Correct Answer: drudgery

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The _____ pressure of depression and discontent will be lifted

Options:

- 1) atmospheric
- 2) decreasing
- 3) constant
- 4) blood

Correct Answer: constant

QID : 396 - A passage is given with five questions following it. Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives.

Morality is identified with ethics and symbolizes the doctrine of actions right or wrong. Politics is the notion of expediency and need not always be right. If something is wrong and merely expedient; it cannot be moral. To put it the other way round, whatever is right or just, or born of sound principles and designed to promote the social good, cannot be immoral. There appears a basic confrontation between morality and politics.

The great Utilitarian Bentham maintains that, "The greatest happiness of the greatest numbers is the foundation of morals and legislation." However, often it is found that there is a conflict

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What do you mean by the line "Politics is the notion of expediency"?

Options:

- 1) politics promotes social good
- 2) politics proves everything to be right even if it is wrong
- 3) politics is an indispensable part of one's life
- 4) politics ensures moral justice

Correct Answer: politics proves everything to be right even if it is wrong

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What does 'greatest numbers' refers to in the first line of the second paragraph of the passage?

Options:

- 1) people at large
- 2) big organizations
- 3) wealth of the people
- 4) politicians of the country

Correct Answer: people at large

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Which of the following statement is 'INCORRECT' with respect to the passage?

Options:

- 1) morality stands for justice for all
- 2) power is the foundation of politics
- 3) morality and politics do not often go hand in hand
- 4) morals and morality permit the adoption of just any means

Correct Answer: morals and morality permit the adoption of just any means

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What can be the suitable title to the passage?

Options:

- 1) Right means truth, values important to morality
- 2) Politics- selfish and self seeking
- 3) Politics based on power and power corrupts
- 4) Morality and politics don't go together

Correct Answer: Morality and politics don't go together

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Which of the following is 'CORRECT' with respect to the passage?

Options:

- 1) current politics has moral ardours and sound convictions
- 2) traditional values are not the symbol of rectitude and righteousness
- 3) politics is the science who gets what, when and how
- 4) politicians are selfish and self-seeking

Correct Answer: politicians are selfish and self-seeking



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