



**SSC CGL 2017 EXAM PAPER : Held on 17-AUG-2017  
Shift-2  
(English Comprehension)**

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**QID : 176 - 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'.**

**Water was dripping (1)/ of the trees, and (2)/ the grass was wet. (3)/No Error (4)**

**Options:**

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

**Correct Answer: 2**

**QID : 177 - 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'.**

**Pravin sat up on the (1)/ sofa, with his legs (2)/ tucked down him. (3)/No Error (4)**

**Options:**

- 1) 1
- 2) 2

3) 3

4) 4

**Correct Answer: 3**

**QID : 178 - 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.**

**At night, the hungry orphan would sneak into the kitchen and \_\_\_\_\_ tiny amounts of food**

**Options:**

1) prefer

2) lifter

3) differ

4) pilfer

**Correct Answer: pilfer**

**QID : 179 - 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.**

**As the only \_\_\_\_\_ person in the wacky family, the sensible girl felt like the odd woman out.**

**Options:**

1) insane

2) vain

3) sane

4) main

**Correct Answer: sane**

**QID : 180 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word similar in meaning to the word given.**

**Piquancy**

**Options:**

1) Bland

2) Flavouring

3) Insipid

4) Tedious

**Correct Answer: Flavouring**

**QID : 181 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word similar in meaning to the word given.**

**To Confront**

**Options:**

- 1) To Avoid
- 2) To Dodge
- 3) To Yield
- 4) To Accost

**Correct Answer: To Accost**

**QID : 182 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word opposite in meaning to the word given.**

**Savant**

**Options:**

- 1) Amateur
- 2) Academic
- 3) Pundit
- 4) Egghead

**Correct Answer: Amateur**

**QID : 183 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the word opposite in meaning to the word given.**

**To Indict**

**Options:**

- 1) To Arraign
- 2) To Censure
- 3) To Exonerate
- 4) To Impeach

**Correct Answer: To Exonerate**

**QID : 184 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.**

**To Have bitten off more than you can chew**

**Options:**

- 1) To eat voraciously and then fall sick
- 2) To behave disrespectfully towards elders and then repent the act
- 3) To have tried to do something which is too difficult
- 4) To have missed a golden opportunity and after that willing to put twice the effort to recover the loss

**Correct Answer: To have tried to do something which is too difficult**

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**QID : 185 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.**

**Out of print**

**Options:**

- 1) Not able to print due to being short on paper
- 2) A book no longer available from the publisher
- 3) Intentionally not mention some items in the article or book
- 4) All publishers refuse to publish your book

**Correct Answer: A book no longer available from the publisher**

**QID : 186 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which will improve the bracketed part of the sentence. In case no improvement is needed, select "no improvement".**

**I'm (having to) too much fun.**

**Options:**

- 1) having
- 2) had
- 3) has
- 4) no improvement

**Correct Answer: having**

**QID : 187 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which will improve the bracketed part of the sentence. In case no improvement is needed, select "no improvement".**

**What would the cavalry (doing) out here?**

**Options:**

- 1) be doing
- 2) be done
- 3) done
- 4) no improvement

**Correct Answer: be doing**

**QID : 188 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the words/sentence.**

**In exactly the same words as were used originally**

**Options:**

- 1) Verbatim
- 2) Offbeat

3) Divergent

4) Contrary

**Correct Answer: Verbatim**

**QID : 189 - In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the words/sentence.**

**A person inclined to question or doubt accepted opinions**

**Options:**

1) Adherent

2) Sceptic

3) Zealot

4) Disciple

**Correct Answer: Sceptic**

**QID : 190 - In the following question, four words are given out of which one word is correctly spelt. Select the correctly spelt word.**

**Options:**

1) Ditheering

2) Dethering

3) Dithering

4) Detheering

**Correct Answer: Dithering**

**QID : 191 - In the following question, four words are given out of which one word is correctly spelt. Select the correctly spelt word.**

**Options:**

1) Throtled

2) Throttlede

3) Throtlede

4) Throttled

**Correct Answer: Throttled**

**QID : 192 - The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. Out of the four options given, select the most logical order of the sentences to form a coherent paragraph.**

**Children are sensitive**

X-to what happens around them and are

Y-enthusiastic about working on

Z-plays that reflect their lives

**Options:**

- 1) ZYX
- 2) XYZ
- 3) ZXY
- 4) YZX

**Correct Answer: XYZ**

**QID : 193 - The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. Out of the four options given, select the most logical order of the sentences to form a coherent paragraph.**

**But this does not mean**

X-phenomena to the body

Y-is a meaningless expression

Z-that the reference of mental

**Options:**

- 1) YZX
- 2) ZXY
- 3) YXZ
- 4) XZY

**Correct Answer: ZXY**

**QID : 194 - In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice.**

**The travel agent is making all the reservations.**

**Options:**

- 1) All the reservations is made by the travel agent.
- 2) All the reserving will be made by the travel agent.
- 3) All the reservations are being made by the travel agent.
- 4) All the reserving is made by the travel agent.

**Correct Answer: All the reservations are being made by the travel agent.**

**QID : 195 - In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech.**

**He said to the dentist, "I have a toothache."**

**Options:**

- 1) He told the dentist that I have a toothache.
- 2) He told the dentist that he had gotten a toothache.

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3) He told the dentist that he had a toothache.

4) He told the dentist that I have a gotten toothache.

**Correct Answer: He told the dentist that he had a toothache.**

**QID : 196 - 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.**

The Trikonasana, or triangle pose, stimulates the function of the entire body and \_\_\_\_\_ a lateral (side) stretch to the spine. It helps reduce blood pressure, stress, and anxiety. Practise this asana every day and you'll \_\_\_\_\_ strength in the ankles, thighs, knees, hips, calves and hamstrings. All standing poses \_\_\_\_\_ the cardiovascular system, so the more you do it, the \_\_\_\_\_ your stamina will become. The aim is never to overdo it, but to engage regularly, \_\_\_\_\_ that you get stronger and more stable over time.

**function of the entire body and \_\_\_\_\_ a lateral (side) stretch**

**Options:**

1) given

2) gave

3) to give

4) gives

**Correct Answer: gives**

**QID : 197 - 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.**

The Trikonasana, or triangle pose, stimulates the function of the entire body and \_\_\_\_\_ a lateral (side) stretch to the spine. It helps reduce blood pressure, stress, and anxiety. Practise this asana every day and you'll \_\_\_\_\_ strength in the ankles, thighs, knees, hips, calves and hamstrings. All standing poses \_\_\_\_\_ the cardiovascular system, so the more you do it, the \_\_\_\_\_ your stamina will become. The aim is never to overdo it, but to engage regularly, \_\_\_\_\_ that you get stronger and more stable over time.

**you'll \_\_\_\_\_ strength in the ankles, thighs, knees, hips**

**Options:**

1) gaining

2) gain

3) gained

4) to gain

**Correct Answer: gain**

**QID : 198 - 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.**

The Trikonasana, or triangle pose, stimulates the function of the entire body and \_\_\_\_\_ a lateral (side) stretch to the spine. It helps reduce blood pressure, stress, and anxiety. Practise this asana every day and you'll \_\_\_\_\_ strength in the ankles, thighs, knees, hips, calves and hamstrings. All standing poses \_\_\_\_\_ the cardiovascular system, so the more you do it, the \_\_\_\_\_ your stamina will become. The aim is never to overdo it, but to engage regularly, \_\_\_\_\_ that you get stronger and more stable over time.

**All standing poses \_\_\_\_\_ the cardiovascular system**

**Options:**

- 1) built
- 2) build
- 3) building
- 4) to build

**Correct Answer: build**

**QID : 199 - 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.**

The Trikonasana, or triangle pose, stimulates the function of the entire body and \_\_\_\_\_ a lateral (side) stretch to the spine. It helps reduce blood pressure, stress, and anxiety. Practise this asana every day and you'll \_\_\_\_\_ strength in the ankles, thighs, knees, hips, calves and hamstrings. All standing poses \_\_\_\_\_ the cardiovascular system, so the more you do it, the \_\_\_\_\_ your stamina will become. The aim is never to overdo it, but to engage regularly, \_\_\_\_\_ that you get stronger and more stable over time.

**so the more you do it, the \_\_\_\_\_ your stamina.**

**Options:**

- 1) best
- 2) better
- 3) good
- 4) too good

**Correct Answer: better**

**QID : 200 - 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.**

The Trikonasana, or triangle pose, stimulates the function of the entire body and \_\_\_\_\_ a lateral (side) stretch to the spine. It helps reduce blood pressure, stress, and anxiety. Practise this asana every day and you'll \_\_\_\_\_ strength in the ankles, thighs, knees, hips, calves and hamstrings. All standing poses \_\_\_\_\_ the cardiovascular system, so the more you do it, the \_\_\_\_\_ your stamina will become. The aim is never to overdo it, but to engage regularly, \_\_\_\_\_ that you get stronger and more stable over time.

**to engage regularly, \_\_\_\_\_ that you get stronger and more stable**

**Options:**

- 1) if
- 2) of
- 3) so
- 4) to

**Correct Answer: so**



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