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MOCK TEST 08

QUESTION BOOKLET • ENGLISH

100	100	60	15
QUESTIONS	MARKS	MINUTES	MIN / PART

Sectional timing: 25 questions and 15 minutes per part. The four parts are Reasoning, General Awareness, Quantitative Aptitude and English Comprehension.

Marking: +1 correct | −0.25 wrong | 0 unanswered.

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PART I | GENERAL INTELLIGENCE & REASONING

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1. A five-digit code uses 2, 3, 5, 7, 9 exactly once. The code is increasing except the last digit, which is the smallest. What is its third digit?

(A) 5
(B) 7
(C) 9
(D) 3

2. A figure contains a 3×3 arrangement of small squares. Counting squares of every size, how many squares are there?

(A) 9
(B) 12
(C) 14
(D) 16

3. If M is east of L, N is north of M and P is west of N, where is P relative to L?

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

4. Pick the set in which the last number is the sum of squares of the first two.

(A) 3, 4, 25
(B) 5, 6, 51
(C) 7, 2, 45
(D) 6, 8, 96

5. Statements: Every artist is creative. No creative person is careless. Which conclusion follows?

(A) No artist is careless
(B) All careless people are artists
(C) Some artists are careless
(D) No careless person exists

6. Five persons sit in a line facing north. S sits in the middle; P immediately left of S; T immediately right of S; Q is to the left of P. Who is at the extreme right?

(A) P
(B) Q
(C) R
(D) T

7. Choose the next pair: AC, DF, GI, JL, ?

(A) MO
(B) MN
(C) NO
(D) NP

8. A train has carriages numbered 1 to 12. A passenger moves from 4 to 9 and then back by 3 carriages. Which carriage is reached?

(A) 5
(B) 6
(C) 7
(D) 8

9. If the 1st of a month is Sunday, which dates in that month are also Sundays?

(A) 7,14,21,28
(B) 8,15,22,29
(C) 9,16,23,30
(D) 6,13,20,27

10. The weights of four parcels are in ratio 2:3:5:6. If the third weighs 20 kg, what is the second parcel's weight?

(A) 8 kg
(B) 10 kg
(C) 12 kg
(D) 16 kg

11. Which word would come second in dictionary order?

(A) MANNER
(B) MANAGE
(C) MANUAL
(D) MANGO

12. In a cipher, a two-digit number AB becomes BA. What is the result when the code is applied twice to 47?

(A) 47
(B) 74
(C) 44
(D) 77

PART I | GENERAL INTELLIGENCE & REASONING

CONTINUED · QUESTIONS

13. Which statement describes the intersection of "all multiples of 4" and "all multiples of 6"?

(A) Multiples of 2
(B) Multiples of 12
(C) Multiples of 24 only
(D) No numbers

14. A code replaces each digit d with 9−d. What does 206 become?

(A) 703
(B) 793
(C) 603
(D) 713

15. If A's rank from the top is 17 and from the bottom is 24 in one class, how many students are there?

(A) 39
(B) 40
(C) 41
(D) 42

16. Five numbers are 9, 12, 15, 18 and 21. Which number must be removed to make the average of the rest 16.5?

(A) 9
(B) 12
(C) 15
(D) 18

17. Which item is the odd one by scientific classification?

(A) Shark
(B) Salmon
(C) Whale
(D) Tuna

18. In a circular seating of four people facing the centre, P sits opposite R and Q sits immediately clockwise from P. Who sits opposite Q?

(A) P
(B) R
(C) S
(D) Cannot be determined

19. What is the mirror image of the number sequence 2407 when read left to right in a plain mirror, ignoring changes in digit shapes?

(A) 7042
(B) 2407
(C) 7420
(D) 7024

20. A student is 8th from the front and 11th from the rear in a queue. Two students leave from the front. What is the student's new position from the front?

(A) 5th
(B) 6th
(C) 7th
(D) 8th

21. Each row in a number grid follows first + second = third. If one row is 14, 27, ?, what belongs in the blank?

(A) 39
(B) 40
(C) 41
(D) 42

22. Find the missing term: 64, 32, 16, 8, ?

(A) 2
(B) 3
(C) 4
(D) 6

23. A, B and C are siblings. A is older than B; C is younger than B. Which statement must hold?

(A) C is eldest
(B) A is eldest
(C) B is youngest
(D) A and C are same age

24. Two numbers have sum 38 and difference 8. What is the larger number?

(A) 15
(B) 19
(C) 23
(D) 25

25. A pattern alternates two red squares followed by one blue square. What colour is the 17th square?

(A) Blue
(B) Red
(C) Green
(D) Cannot determine

PART II | GENERAL KNOWLEDGE & AWARENESS

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26. At which place did Gautama Buddha deliver his first sermon?

(A) Bodh Gaya
(B) Sarnath
(C) Kushinagar
(D) Vaishali

27. The Ajanta caves are especially famous for their:

(A) Mughal gardens
(B) Buddhist murals
(C) Vedic altars
(D) Stepwells

28. The Champaran Satyagraha took place in:

(A) 1905
(B) 1917
(C) 1922
(D) 1930

29. Which Mughal emperor commissioned the Buland Darwaza at Fatehpur Sikri?

(A) Akbar
(B) Babur
(C) Shah Jahan
(D) Aurangzeb

30. The Simon Commission arrived in India in:

(A) 1919
(B) 1928
(C) 1935
(D) 1942

31. Which constitutional amendment gave constitutional status to rural panchayati raj institutions?

(A) 42nd
(B) 44th
(C) 73rd
(D) 74th

32. Who presides over a joint sitting of both Houses of Parliament in the usual case?

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

33. Which body audits the accounts of Union and State governments in India?

(A) Finance Commission
(B) CAG
(C) NITI Aayog
(D) Election Commission

34. Which Article defines the procedure for amending the Constitution?

(A) Article 123
(B) Article 226
(C) Article 368
(D) Article 370

35. The phrase “economic justice” appears in the Constitution’s:

(A) Preamble
(B) Seventh Schedule
(C) Tenth Schedule
(D) Article 21A

36. Indian Standard Time is based on which longitude?

(A) 75° E
(B) 82°30′ E
(C) 90° E
(D) 68° E

37. Nathu La Pass is located in which Indian state?

(A) Uttarakhand
(B) Sikkim
(C) Himachal Pradesh
(D) Arunachal Pradesh

PART II | GENERAL KNOWLEDGE & AWARENESS

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38. Winter rainfall in northwestern India is largely associated with:

(A) Local sea breeze
(B) Western disturbances
(C) Norwesters
(D) Retreating monsoon

39. Which Indian river is popularly called the Dakshin Ganga?

(A) Tapi
(B) Kaveri
(C) Godavari
(D) Mahi

40. The Rihand River is a tributary of the:

(A) Son
(B) Ghaghara
(C) Gomti
(D) Damodar

41. The great Sundarbans mangrove region belongs to the delta of the:

(A) Mahanadi
(B) Ganga-Brahmaputra-Meghna
(C) Narmada-Tapi
(D) Krishna-Godavari

42. Which gas is the most abundant noble gas in ordinary dry air?

(A) Neon
(B) Helium
(C) Argon
(D) Xenon

43. Which form of carbon is a good electrical conductor because of delocalised electrons?

(A) Diamond
(B) Graphite
(C) Charcoal
(D) Fullerene C60

44. At 25°C, a neutral aqueous solution has a pH of approximately:

(A) 2
(B) 5
(C) 7
(D) 10

45. The SI base unit of electric current is:

(A) Volt
(B) Ampere
(C) Ohm
(D) Coulomb

46. Which hormone lowers elevated blood-glucose concentration?

(A) Glucagon
(B) Insulin
(C) Adrenaline
(D) Thyroxine

47. Which micronutrient is required to synthesise thyroid hormones?

(A) Iron
(B) Calcium
(C) Iodine
(D) Potassium

48. Water loss as vapour through leaf stomata is termed:

(A) Germination
(B) Transpiration
(C) Respiration
(D) Pollination

49. The oxygen-carrying pigment of human red blood cells is:

(A) Myoglobin
(B) Haemoglobin
(C) Melanin
(D) Keratin

50. The acid that gives ordinary vinegar its sour taste is:

(A) Citric acid
(B) Acetic acid
(C) Lactic acid
(D) Oxalic acid

PART III | QUANTITATIVE APTITUDE

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51. The present ages of two people sum to 80. Five years ago their ages were in ratio 3:4. Find the younger present age.

(A) 30
(B) 35
(C) 40
(D) 45

52. Find the least common multiple of 18 and 24.

(A) 48
(B) 54
(C) 72
(D) 96

53. How many prime numbers lie strictly between 70 and 90?

(A) 4
(B) 5
(C) 6
(D) 7

54. Two real numbers satisfy $a+b=9$ and $a^2+b^2=41$. Find their product ab.

(A) 18
(B) 19
(C) 20
(D) 22

55. If $x + 1/x = 5$ $(x \neq 0)$, then $x^2 + 1/x^2$ equals:

(A) 21
(B) 23
(C) 25
(D) 27

56. Partner A invests ₹5,000 for 12 months and B invests ₹8,000 for 6 months. In ₹3,600 profit, A receives:

(A) ₹1,600
(B) ₹1,800
(C) ₹2,000
(D) ₹2,200

57. The diagonal of a square is $10\sqrt{2}$ cm. Find its area.

(A) 50 cm^2
(B) 75 cm^2
(C) 100 cm^2
(D) 200 cm^2

58. A filling tap takes 16 h; a drain empties the full tank in 24 h. Both open together, the tank fills in:

(A) 32 h
(B) 36 h
(C) 48 h
(D) 72 h

59. After a 25% discount, the sale price is ₹900. Find the marked price.

(A) ₹1,100
(B) ₹1,150
(C) ₹1,200
(D) ₹1,250

60. A seller marks an item 50% above cost and gives 20% discount on marked price. Profit percentage is:

(A) 10%
(B) 15%
(C) 20%
(D) 25%

61. A cyclist covers equal distances at 30 km/h and 60 km/h. His overall average speed is:

(A) 36
(B) 40
(C) 45
(D) 48

62. The amount on ₹2,500 after two years at 12% annual compound interest is:

(A) ₹3,000
(B) ₹3,100
(C) ₹3,136
(D) ₹3,200

PART III | QUANTITATIVE APTITUDE

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63. A 240 m train runs at 72 km/h through a 360 m tunnel. Time to completely clear the tunnel?

(A) 24 s
(B) 27 s
(C) 30 s
(D) 36 s

64. A rectangle has diagonal 10 cm and one side 6 cm. Its area is:

(A) 36 cm^2
(B) 40 cm^2
(C) 48 cm^2
(D) 60 cm^2

65. A box has 3 red, 4 green and 5 blue balls. One is drawn. Probability it is not green?

(A) 1/3
(B) 1/2
(C) 2/3
(D) 3/4

66. Four workers take 15 days to complete identical work. At the same rate, six workers take:

(A) 8
(B) 9
(C) 10
(D) 12

67. Calculate simple interest on ₹9,000 for three years at 5% per annum.

(A) ₹1,200
(B) ₹1,350
(C) ₹1,450
(D) ₹1,500

68. Convert 45 minutes into hours.

(A) 2/3 h
(B) 3/4 h
(C) 4/5 h
(D) 5/6 h

69. The ratio of the areas of two similar squares whose sides are 3:5 is:

(A) 3:5
(B) 6:10
(C) 9:25
(D) 15:25

70. Two-thirds of a number plus one-fourth of it is 55. The number is:

(A) 48
(B) 55
(C) 60
(D) 66

71. A circle has circumference 44 cm. Find its area using π=22/7.

(A) 144 cm^2
(B) 154 cm^2
(C) 164 cm^2
(D) 176 cm^2

72. An item is sold for ₹1,140 after 5% discount. Its marked price is:

(A) ₹1,180
(B) ₹1,190
(C) ₹1,200
(D) ₹1,250

73. Boys:girls = 7:5 in a school camp of 360. How many are girls?

(A) 120
(B) 140
(C) 150
(D) 180

74. How many three-digit numbers can be formed using digits 1, 2 and 6 exactly once each?

(A) 3
(B) 4
(C) 6
(D) 9

75. Applications increase from 140 to 175. What is the percentage increase?

(A) 20%
(B) 22%
(C) 25%
(D) 30%

PART IV | ENGLISH COMPREHENSION

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76. Choose the parallel construction.

(A) The job requires planning, patience and to communicate clearly.
(B) The job requires planning, patience and clear communication.
(C) The job requires to plan, patience and communicative.
(D) The job requires plan, patience and clearly communicating.

77. Despite several setbacks, the athlete remained TENACIOUS. The highlighted word means:

(A) Persistent
(B) Fragile
(C) Carefree
(D) Timid

78. An opaque panel does not let light pass through. Which word expresses the opposite quality?

(A) Cloudy
(B) Dense
(C) Transparent
(D) Dull

79. A scientist who studies earthquakes is a:

(A) Seismologist
(B) Geologist only
(C) Meteorologist
(D) Ecologist

80. The phrase "a rule of thumb" means:

(A) an exact theorem
(B) a practical approximate guideline
(C) a legal statute
(D) a written promise

81. In "The staff carried out the inspection", carried out means:

(A) cancelled
(B) performed
(C) announced
(D) delayed

82. Complete: "No sooner had the train arrived ___ the passengers lined up."

(A) when
(B) then
(C) than
(D) that

83. Choose the correct comparison.

(A) This officer is senior than that officer.
(B) This officer is senior from that officer.
(C) This officer is senior to that officer.
(D) This officer is senior over that officer.

84. Choose the correct reported question: He asked me, "Where are you going?"

(A) He asked me where was I going.
(B) He asked me where I was going.
(C) He asked me where am I going.
(D) He asked me that where I go.

85. Choose the correct passive: "They are repairing the bridge."

(A) The bridge has repairing by them.
(B) The bridge is being repaired.
(C) The bridge was being repair.
(D) The bridge is repaired yesterday.

86. Fill the blank: "The witness returned after ___ hour."

(A) a
(B) an
(C) the
(D) no article

87. The interviewer praised her CONSCIENTIOUS approach to small details. Select the correctly spelt adjective.

(A) Conscientious
(B) Consciencious
(C) Conscentious
(D) Conscitious

PART IV | ENGLISH COMPREHENSION

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88. **Complete: "The committee will ___ a conclusion after reviewing the record."**

(A) draw
(B) pull
(C) take up
(D) hold

89. **Choose the sentence with the correct meaning of a little.**

(A) We have little time, so there is enough to relax.
(B) We have a little time, so we can review the notes.
(C) We have a few time to review.
(D) We have many time to review.

90. **Choose the correct verb: "The quality of the supplies ___ satisfactory."**

(A) are
(B) were
(C) is
(D) have

91. **Choose the correct reported statement: "She said, 'I have checked the figures.'"**

(A) She said that she had checked the figures.
(B) She said that I has checked the figures.
(C) She said that she checks the figures before.
(D) She said that she will has checked the figures.

92. **Choose the suitable conjunction: "You may enter ___ your name is on the approved list."**

(A) although
(B) provided that
(C) unless
(D) despite

93. **Find the error in: "One of the documents / were missing / from the sealed box / after inspection."**

(A) One of the documents
(B) were missing
(C) from the sealed box
(D) after inspection

94. **Arrange the events: P. The manager approved the revised plan. Q. The team drafted the plan. R. The client requested changes. S. The team revised the draft.**

(A) QRSP
(B) QSRP
(C) RQSP
(D) PQRS

95. **Complete: "By next Friday, she ___ the training course."**

(A) will complete yesterday
(B) will have completed
(C) had completed tomorrow
(D) has completed next Friday

PART IV | ENGLISH COMPREHENSION

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96. **Read the passage: A public library began scanning its oldest catalogues so readers could search records online. The librarians first checked each entry against the original register because several book titles had been abbreviated differently. Volunteers helped scan pages, but only trained librarians approved changes to the catalogue. During the first month, the online search found records faster, although borrowing rules stayed exactly the same. The library planned to digitise newer registers after the old records had been verified.**
Why were the old catalogues scanned?

(A) To replace borrowing rules
(B) To allow online searches of records
(C) To close the library
(D) To discard printed books

97. **Why did librarians compare entries with the original register?**

(A) Some titles had inconsistent abbreviations
(B) Books were damaged
(C) Readers requested fewer records
(D) The library changed its opening hours

98. **Who approved changes to catalogue entries?**

(A) Any volunteer
(B) The readers
(C) Trained librarians
(D) The scanning machine

99. **Which rule remained unchanged during the first month?**

(A) Online search speed
(B) Borrowing rules
(C) Catalogue format
(D) Scanning assignments

100. **What step was planned after old records were verified?**

(A) Close online search
(B) Digitise newer registers
(C) Remove all volunteers
(D) Stop checking titles

Practice OMR Answer Sheet · Mock 08

Name: _____ Roll No.: _____ Date: _____

Use a dark pen to fill one circle per question. This is a practice sheet; the actual SSC CPO examination is computer based.

01 (A) (B) (C) (D)	21 (A) (B) (C) (D)	41 (A) (B) (C) (D)	61 (A) (B) (C) (D)	81 (A) (B) (C) (D)
02 (A) (B) (C) (D)	22 (A) (B) (C) (D)	42 (A) (B) (C) (D)	62 (A) (B) (C) (D)	82 (A) (B) (C) (D)
03 (A) (B) (C) (D)	23 (A) (B) (C) (D)	43 (A) (B) (C) (D)	63 (A) (B) (C) (D)	83 (A) (B) (C) (D)
04 (A) (B) (C) (D)	24 (A) (B) (C) (D)	44 (A) (B) (C) (D)	64 (A) (B) (C) (D)	84 (A) (B) (C) (D)
05 (A) (B) (C) (D)	25 (A) (B) (C) (D)	45 (A) (B) (C) (D)	65 (A) (B) (C) (D)	85 (A) (B) (C) (D)
06 (A) (B) (C) (D)	26 (A) (B) (C) (D)	46 (A) (B) (C) (D)	66 (A) (B) (C) (D)	86 (A) (B) (C) (D)
07 (A) (B) (C) (D)	27 (A) (B) (C) (D)	47 (A) (B) (C) (D)	67 (A) (B) (C) (D)	87 (A) (B) (C) (D)
08 (A) (B) (C) (D)	28 (A) (B) (C) (D)	48 (A) (B) (C) (D)	68 (A) (B) (C) (D)	88 (A) (B) (C) (D)
09 (A) (B) (C) (D)	29 (A) (B) (C) (D)	49 (A) (B) (C) (D)	69 (A) (B) (C) (D)	89 (A) (B) (C) (D)
10 (A) (B) (C) (D)	30 (A) (B) (C) (D)	50 (A) (B) (C) (D)	70 (A) (B) (C) (D)	90 (A) (B) (C) (D)
11 (A) (B) (C) (D)	31 (A) (B) (C) (D)	51 (A) (B) (C) (D)	71 (A) (B) (C) (D)	91 (A) (B) (C) (D)
12 (A) (B) (C) (D)	32 (A) (B) (C) (D)	52 (A) (B) (C) (D)	72 (A) (B) (C) (D)	92 (A) (B) (C) (D)
13 (A) (B) (C) (D)	33 (A) (B) (C) (D)	53 (A) (B) (C) (D)	73 (A) (B) (C) (D)	93 (A) (B) (C) (D)
14 (A) (B) (C) (D)	34 (A) (B) (C) (D)	54 (A) (B) (C) (D)	74 (A) (B) (C) (D)	94 (A) (B) (C) (D)
15 (A) (B) (C) (D)	35 (A) (B) (C) (D)	55 (A) (B) (C) (D)	75 (A) (B) (C) (D)	95 (A) (B) (C) (D)
16 (A) (B) (C) (D)	36 (A) (B) (C) (D)	56 (A) (B) (C) (D)	76 (A) (B) (C) (D)	96 (A) (B) (C) (D)
17 (A) (B) (C) (D)	37 (A) (B) (C) (D)	57 (A) (B) (C) (D)	77 (A) (B) (C) (D)	97 (A) (B) (C) (D)
18 (A) (B) (C) (D)	38 (A) (B) (C) (D)	58 (A) (B) (C) (D)	78 (A) (B) (C) (D)	98 (A) (B) (C) (D)
19 (A) (B) (C) (D)	39 (A) (B) (C) (D)	59 (A) (B) (C) (D)	79 (A) (B) (C) (D)	99 (A) (B) (C) (D)
20 (A) (B) (C) (D)	40 (A) (B) (C) (D)	60 (A) (B) (C) (D)	80 (A) (B) (C) (D)	100 (A) (B) (C) (D)

Correct: _____ Wrong: _____ Unattempted: _____ Score: _____ / 100