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Date of Examination:	25.10.2025	Time: 90 Minutes
Name of the Post:	Senior Secretariat Assistant (Stenographer)	
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Instructions to the Candidate:

1. There are 4 parts in this question paper having 25 questions each
2. Out of 4 options given, choose the most appropriate option for each question.
3. Use of Calculators, Cell Phones and Other Electronic Devices are not permitted inside the examination hall.
4. Candidate should fill the details on both question paper booklet and OMR sheet carefully without any corrections.
5. Candidate should carefully read the instructions given on the question paper booklet and OMR sheet.
6. Candidate should mark correct answer only on OMR sheet.
7. Question paper consists of **100 questions**. Questions in the form of **MCQ** type.
8. Each question carrying **one** mark. **No negative mark for wrong answer.**
9. Clarifications on Questions are not permitted.
10. Rough works can be done in the rough sheet provided.
11. No Candidate is allowed to leave the examination hall till the examination is completed.
12. Candidate should return question paper booklet, OMR sheet and the rough sheets after completion of examination to the invigilator.

Section-A: General Intelligence and Reasoning

Choose the appropriate answer.

1. What comes next in the series? **2, 6, 12, 20, 30, ____**
 - A. 36
 - B. 40
 - C. 42
 - D. 44
2. What comes next in the series? **5, 9, 17, 33, 65, ____**
 - A. 129
 - B. 127
 - C. 130
 - D. 131
3. What comes next in the series? **D, F, I, M, R, ____**
 - A. W
 - B. T
 - C. X
 - D. Z
4. If in a certain language, CAT is written as XZG, how will you write DOG in that language?
 - A. WLT
 - B. TWL
 - C. LWT
 - D. WLD
5. Book : Reading :: Fork : ?
 - A. Drawing
 - B. Writing
 - C. Stirring
 - D. Eating
6. If $2 + 3 = 13$, $3 + 4 = 25$, $4 + 5 = 41$, then $5 + 6 = ?$
 - A. 71
 - B. 61
 - C. 65
 - D. 81

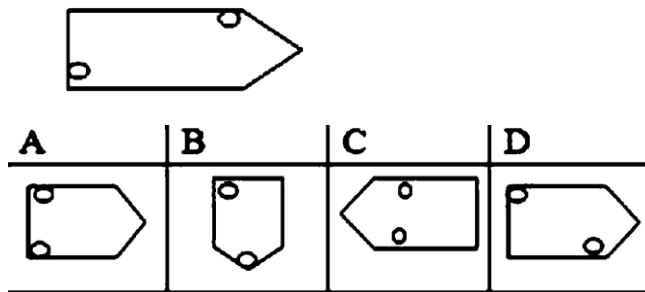
7. What day of the week was 1st January 2020?

- A. Tuesday
- B. Wednesday
- C. Thursday
- D. Friday

8. Which word would best complete the relation? Hotel : Menu :: Library : ?

- A. Librarian
- B. Book
- C. Catalogue
- D. Shelf

9. Select a pattern that resembles the following figure from the options given.



10. In a certain language, if PIPE is coded as 169165, then the last digit of the last letter of the word SWAN which is coded in that language is

- A. 4
- B. 5
- C. 1
- D. 14

11. 2A, 4C, 8E, 16G, ?

- A. 32G
- B. 25H
- C. 25I
- D. 32I

12. The present age of a father is three times that of his son. Five years ago, the father's age was four times that of his son. What is the son's present age?

- A. 25
- B. 10
- C. 15
- D. 5

13. If 'blue' is called 'green', 'green' is called 'red', 'red' is called 'yellow', and 'yellow' is called 'white', then what is the colour of blood?

- A. Red
- B. Blue
- C. Yellow
- D. White

14. Which of the following does NOT belong to this group?

- A. Mauve
- B. Purple
- C. Pillar
- D. Green

15. Which of the following does NOT belong to this group?

- A. Hamster
- B. Caterpillar
- C. Ant
- D. Locust

16. Tee, Par, Flagstick are the terms associated with _____

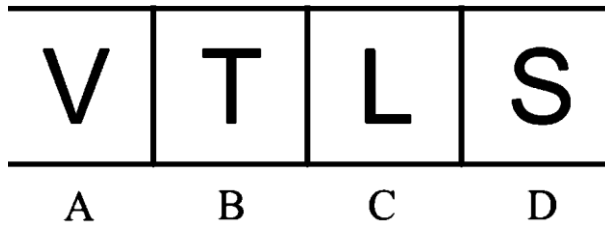
- A. Cricket
- B. Golf
- C. Snooker
- D. Hockey

17. Identify the odd one out in the following figure

$\frac{A}{1}$	$\frac{D}{4}$	$\frac{E}{6}$	$\frac{F}{6}$
A	B	C	D

- A. B
- B. A
- C. D
- D. C

18. Identify the odd one out in the following figure



- A. C
- B. D
- C. A
- D. B

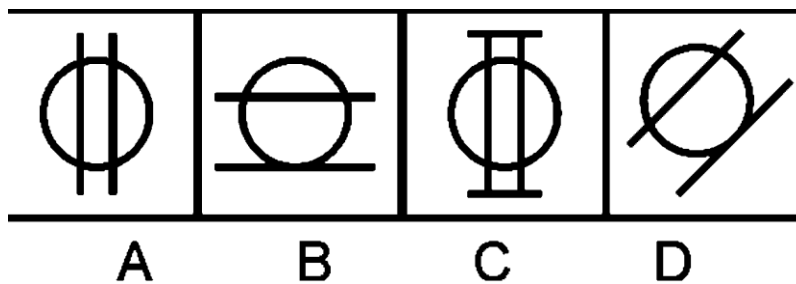
19. Rearrange the cluttered letters to form meaningful words and find the odd one out

- A. ACETREH
- B. UETSTND
- C. YIBLRRA
- D. KRTMAE

20. Find the odd fraction

- A. 18/90
- B. 24/96
- C. 51/204
- D. 108/432

21. Find the odd one out from the following figures



- A. C
- B. A
- C. D
- D. B

22. If Raja stands facing east and he first rotates 270 degrees clockwise and then rotates 90 degrees anticlockwise, then in which direction does he stand facing?
- A. North
 - B. East
 - C. West
 - D. South
23. If West becomes South, then what will be North?
- A. East
 - B. West
 - C. South
 - D. No change
24. John walks 1 km towards West and turns Left and walks 1 km. He then turns Left and walks 1 km. Again he turns Left and walks 450 m. How far is John from his original position?
- A. 700
 - B. 500
 - C. 400
 - D. 550
25. Statements:
- (i) All petals are flowers
 - (ii) All petals are yellow
 - (iii) All yellow are flowers
- Conclusion:
- (i) All flowers are yellow
 - (ii) All yellow are petals
- A. Only (i) follows from conclusions
 - B. Only (ii) follows from conclusions
 - C. Both (i) and (ii) from conclusions follow
 - D. Neither (i) nor (ii) from conclusions follow

Section-B: General Awareness

26. Entomology is the science that studies
- A. Behaviour of human beings
 - B. Insects
 - C. The origin and history of technical and scientific terms
 - D. The formation of rocks

27. Garampani sanctuary is located at
- A. Junagarh, Gujarat
 - B. Diphu, Assam
 - C. Kohima, Nagaland
 - D. Gangtok, Sikkim
28. Fastest shorthand writer was
- A. Dr. G. D. Bist
 - B. J.R.D. Tata
 - C. J.M. Tagore
 - D. Khudada Khan
29. Guarantee to an exporter that the importer of his goods will pay immediately for the goods ordered by him, is known as
- A. Letter of Agreement
 - B. Contract Agreement
 - C. Bank Guarantee
 - D. Letter of Credit
30. Film and TV institute of India is located at
- A. Pimpri
 - B. Rajkot
 - C. Pune
 - D. Perambur
31. Who was the first Indian Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Army?
- A. Gen. K.M. Cariappa
 - B. Vice-Admiral R.D. Katari
 - C. Gen. Maharaja Rajendra Singhji
 - D. Gen. Sam Manekshaw
32. Coral reefs in India can be found in
- A. The coast of Orissa
 - B. Waltair
 - C. Rameshwaram
 - D. Trivandrum

33. Durand Cup is associated with the game of
- A. Cricket
 - B. Football
 - C. Hockey
 - D. Volleyball
34. Dr. Linus Carl Pauling is the only person to have won two Nobel prizes individually for
- A. Chemistry in 1954, Peace Prize in 1962
 - B. Peace Prize in 1954, Chemistry in 1962
 - C. Physics in 1954, Medicine in 1962
 - D. Medicine in 1954, Physics in 1962
35. Which country was targeted by Israel in its military operation named "Rising Lion"?
- A. Syria
 - B. Lebanon
 - C. Iran
 - D. Iraq
36. Which Indian agency secured the country's first 'Silver Notice' from Interpol?
- A. Enforcement Directorate
 - B. Central Bureau of Investigation
 - C. National Investigation Agency
 - D. Directorate of Revenue Intelligence
37. Who has been appointed as the new Managing Director and India Head of Meta starting July 1, 2025?
- A. Shivnath Thukral
 - B. Sandhya Devanathan
 - C. Ramesh Menon
 - D. Arun Srinivas
38. Which country did Prime Minister Narendra Modi visit in June 2025, marking the first such visit by an Indian PM in over two decades?
- A. Croatia
 - B. Canada
 - C. Cyprus
 - D. Greece

39. In which city was India's first Agri-Drone Indigenization Facility inaugurated in June 2025?
- A. Hyderabad
 - B. Bengaluru
 - C. Chennai
 - D. Ahmedabad
40. Which country has officially joined BRICS as a partner country, becoming its 10th partner?
- A. Bolivia
 - B. Nigeria
 - C. Malaysia
 - D. Vietnam
41. Which Indian IT company partnered with the Council of Europe Development Bank to automate reconciliation processes?
- A. Tata Consultancy Services
 - B. Wipro
 - C. Infosys
 - D. HCL Technologies
42. Which state's Education Department signed MoUs with NGOs to enhance teaching infrastructure in government schools?
- A. Kerala
 - B. Maharashtra
 - C. Telangana
 - D. Karnataka
43. Which Indian state became the first to implement a mobile-based e-voting system in urban polls?
- A. Bihar
 - B. Maharashtra
 - C. Karnataka
 - D. Kerala
44. What is the cost of the newly launched FASTag Annual Pass for private vehicles in India?
- A. Rs.2,500
 - B. Rs.3,000
 - C. Rs.3,500
 - D. Rs.4,000

45. What is the name of the scheme launched by Delhi University to support ST students with digital and higher education skills?
- A. VIDYA
 - B. JAIHIND
 - C. SHIKSHA
 - D. SAARTHI
46. Which state recorded the highest digital procurement on the Government e-Marketplace (GeM) with over ₹65,000 crore in orders between FY 2020–21 and FY 2024–25?
- A. Maharashtra
 - B. Gujarat
 - C. Uttar Pradesh
 - D. Tamil Nadu
47. On which government portal will NPCI's new API facility enable real-time PAN and bank account validation?
- A. GST Portal
 - B. UMANG App
 - C. DigiLocker
 - D. Income Tax Portal
48. Which state's High Court has imposed a ban on single-use plastic items in hilly tourist destinations?
- A. Tamil Nadu
 - B. Maharashtra
 - C. Kerala
 - D. Karnataka
49. On which date is International Domestic Workers' Day observed annually?
- A. June 16
 - B. June 12
 - C. June 18
 - D. June 20
50. Who has been appointed as the Global Ambassador for the Esports World Cup 2025?
- A. Lionel Messi
 - B. Cristiano Ronaldo
 - C. Kylian Mbappe
 - D. Neymar Jr.

Section-C: Numerical Aptitude

51. Ramesh buys an old scooter for Rs.4,700 and spends Rs.800 on its repairs. If he sells the scooter for Rs.5,800, his gain percent is _____
- A. $4\frac{4}{7}$
 - B. $5\frac{5}{11}$
 - C. 10
 - D. 12%
52. A train running at the speed of 60 km/hr crosses a pole in 9 seconds. What is the length of the train?
- A. 120 metres
 - B. 180 metres
 - C. 324 metres
 - D. 150 metres
53. If a person walks at 14 km/hr instead of 10 km/hr, he would have walked 20 km more. The actual distance travelled by him is _____
- A. 50 km
 - B. 56 km
 - C. 70 km
 - D. 80 km
54. A can do a work in 15 days and B in 20 days. If they work on it together for 4 days, then the fraction of the work that is left is _____
- A. $\frac{1}{4}$
 - B. $\frac{1}{10}$
 - C. $\frac{7}{15}$
 - D. $\frac{8}{15}$
55. A sum fetched a total simple interest of Rs. 4016.25 at the rate of 9% per annum. in 5 years. What is the sum?
- A. Rs.8,900
 - B. Rs.8,032.50
 - C. Rs.8,925
 - D. Rs.4,462.50

56. There is 60% increase in an amount in 6 years at simple interest. What will be the compound interest of Rs. 12,000 after 3 years at the same rate?
- A. Rs.3,972
 - B. Rs.3,120
 - C. Rs.2,160
 - D. Rs.6,240
57. A starts business with Rs. 3500 and after 5 months, B joins with A as his partner. After a year, the profit is divided in the ratio 2 : 3. What is B's contribution in the capital?
- A. Rs.7,500
 - B. Rs.8,000
 - C. Rs.8,500
 - D. Rs.9,000
58. Two students appeared at an examination. One of them secured 9 marks more than the other and his marks was 56% of the sum of their marks. The marks obtained by them are:
- A. 39, 30
 - B. 42, 33
 - C. 41, 32
 - D. 43, 34
59. The sum of the ages of 5 children born at the intervals of 3 years each is 50 years. What is the age of the youngest child?
- A. 10 years
 - B. 4 years
 - C. 8 years
 - D. 15 years
60. A grocer has a sale of Rs.6,435, Rs.6,927, Rs.6,855, Rs.7,230 and Rs.6,562 for 5 consecutive months. How much sale must he have in the sixth month so that he gets an average sale of Rs.6,500?
- A. Rs.4,991
 - B. Rs.5,991
 - C. Rs.6,001
 - D. Rs.6,991

61. An error 2% in excess is made while measuring the side of a square. The percentage of error in the calculated area of the square is ____
- A. 2%
 - B. 2.02%
 - C. 4%
 - D. 4.04%
62. The sum of first five prime numbers is ____
- A. 28
 - B. 18
 - C. 26
 - D. 11
63. The difference between a two-digit number and the number obtained by interchanging the positions of its digits is 36. What is the difference between the two digits of that number?
- A. 3
 - B. 4
 - C. 9
 - D. 10
64. The HCF of two numbers is 23 and the other two factors of their LCM are 13 and 14. The larger of the two numbers is ____
- A. 276
 - B. 299
 - C. 322
 - D. 345
65. A man has Rs.480 in the denominations of one-rupee notes, five-rupee notes and ten-rupee notes. The number of notes of each denomination is equal. What is the total number of notes that he has?
- A. 45
 - B. 60
 - C. 75
 - D. 90
66. The square root of 64009 is ____
- A. 253
 - B. 347
 - C. 363
 - D. 803

67. Two numbers are respectively 20% and 50% more than a third number. The ratio of the two numbers is _____
- A. 2 : 5
 - B. 3 : 5
 - C. 4 : 5
 - D. 6 : 7
68. In a mixture of 60 litres, the ratio of milk and water is 2 : 1. If this ratio is to be 1 : 2, then the quantity of water to be further added is _____
- A. 20 litres
 - B. 30 litres
 - C. 40 litres
 - D. 60 litres
69. Running at the same constant rate, 6 identical machines can produce a total of 270 bottles per minute. At this rate, how many bottles could 10 such machines produce in 4 minutes?
- A. 648
 - B. 1800
 - C. 2700
 - D. 10800
70. A tank is filled by three pipes with uniform flow. The first two pipes operating simultaneously fill the tank in the same time during which the tank is filled by the third pipe alone. The second pipe fills the tank 5 hours faster than the first pipe and 4 hours slower than the third pipe. The time required by the first pipe is _____
- A. 6 hours
 - B. 10 hours
 - C. 15 hours
 - D. 30 hours
71. A boat running upstream takes 8 hours 48 minutes to cover a certain distance, while it takes 4 hours to cover the same distance running downstream. What is the ratio between the speed of the boat and speed of the water current respectively?
- A. 2 : 1
 - B. 3 : 2
 - C. 5 : 3
 - D. 8 : 3

72. A milk vendor has 2 cans of milk. The first contains 25% water and the rest milk. The second contains 50% water. How much milk should he mix from each of the containers so as to get 12 litres of milk such that the ratio of water to milk is 3 : 5?
- A. 4 litres, 8 litres
 - B. 6 litres, 6 litres
 - C. 5 litres, 7 litres
 - D. 7 litres, 5 litres
73. In order to obtain an income of Rs.650 from 10% stock at Rs.96, one must make an investment of ____
- A. Rs.3,100
 - B. Rs.6,240
 - C. Rs.6,500
 - D. Rs.9,600
74. Tickets numbered 1 to 20 are mixed up and then a ticket is drawn at random. What is the probability that the ticket drawn has a number which is a multiple of 3 or 5?
- A. $\frac{1}{2}$
 - B. $\frac{2}{5}$
 - C. $\frac{8}{15}$
 - D. $\frac{9}{20}$
75. A man purchased a cow for Rs. 3000 and sold it the same day for Rs. 3600, allowing the buyer a credit of 2 years. If the rate of interest be 10% per annum, then the man has a gain of:
- A. 0%
 - B. 5%
 - C. 7.5%
 - D. 10%

Section-D: English Comprehension

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow from 76 to 80.

The Generations Alive Today

Have you ever wondered what makes your grandparents, parents, or younger cousins different from you? One reason could be the generation they belong to. Today, there are five main generations living in the world, from Baby Boomers to Generation Alpha. Each group has its own experiences, habits, and ways of thinking. Let's take a closer look.

Baby Boomers, born between 1946 and 1964, grew up in a time of peace after World War II. Many of them are now retired and enjoy spending time with their families. They didn't have mobile phones,

computers, or the internet when they were young. They learned the value of hard work, patience, and saving money. Even today, many Baby Boomers prefer reading newspapers and writing letters instead of using social media.

Next comes Generation X, born from 1965 to 1980. This group saw many changes in technology. As children, they watched TV shows on black-and-white televisions and listened to music on cassette tapes. Later, they witnessed the arrival of home computers and mobile phones. Gen X is often called the “middle generation” because they lived both in the old world and the new digital one. Many Gen Xers are parents today and often help their own children with technology.

Millennials, also known as Generation Y, were born between 1981 and 1996. They are the first generation to grow up with the internet. In their school days, they used computers and later started using social media platforms like Facebook and WhatsApp. Many Millennials enjoy flexible jobs, online shopping, and working from home.

After them is Generation Z, born from 1997 to 2012. This is the generation that has grown up in a digital world, depending on their social and economic circumstances. Smartphones, YouTube, Instagram, and short videos are a normal part of their lives and education. Gen Z tends to express themselves through memes, reels, and posts. Many Gen Z members are now in college or starting their careers.

Finally, we have the youngest group, Generation Alpha, born from 2013 onwards. Most Gen Alpha children are still in school. They are growing up surrounded by artificial intelligence (AI), touchscreen devices, and online learning.

Although each generation is different, all of them can learn from one another. Grandparents can share their life experiences, parents can offer good advice, and young people can teach older generations how to use new apps and websites. Understanding the generations can help us respect each other more and build stronger relationships.

76. Why are Baby Boomers likely to prefer writing letters over sending emails?

- A. They don't enjoy communication
- B. They grew up in a time before digital tools were common
- C. Letters are faster than emails
- D. They are digitally lame

77. What does the passage suggest about Generation X's experience with technology?

- A. They invented the internet
- B. They were born after smartphones became popular
- C. They experienced life before and after major changes in technology
- D. They have apprehension in using the technology

78. Why might Millennials prefer working from home and flexible jobs?
- A. They are familiar with digital tools and online work environments
 - B. They dislike office work completely
 - C. They do not have access to stable jobs
 - D. They want to save time and earn money at the same time
79. Which of these best describes how Generation Z likes to learn?
- A. They learn mostly from older people in their family
 - B. They prefer using books and physical encyclopedias
 - C. They often learn through YouTube videos and online platforms
 - D. They are becoming more lethargic compared to the Generations X and Y
80. Which sentence would best summarize the overall message of the passage?
- A. Technology only benefits the younger generations
 - B. All generations comprehend to the same set of ideas
 - C. Baby Boomers are not open to change and prefer older ways
 - D. All generations are different but important, and they can learn from one another

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow from 81 to 85.

India Post

India Post is the postal system of India. It is run by the Government of India and is one of the largest postal networks in the world. It was started in 1854 and has helped people send letters and parcels for more than 150 years.

India Post has more than 1.5 lakh post offices in the country. Many of these are in villages, where people depend on the post office for sending mail, getting money, and even saving money. It is often called the backbone of the country's communication system.

India Post also plays an important role in how the government serves the people. Through its Speed Post service, important government documents such as passports, Aadhaar cards, income tax notices, and legal papers are delivered quickly and safely. Speed Post is a trusted and affordable service, often used by government offices because it reaches even remote areas where private courier companies may not deliver. Compared to private couriers, Speed Post is usually cheaper and more reliable, making it an important part of public service in India.

Today, India Post also gives many other services. People can pay their bills, open savings accounts, and even buy insurance at the post office. India Post also helps deliver products bought online through its parcel services.

India Post is trusted by millions of people and continues to play an important role in connecting people across India.

81. The phrase "backbone of the country's communication system" suggests that India Post is
- A. Only used in villages
 - B. The main support for sending and receiving messages
 - C. A company that provides mobile phones
 - D. Only used in important cities
82. In the sentence "Speed Post is a trusted and affordable service", the word affordable means
- A. Fast and popular
 - B. Costly but safe
 - C. Not too expensive
 - D. Expensive and slow
83. What does the word "deliver" most nearly mean in the line "delivered quickly and safely"?
- A. Collect something from people
 - B. Send something to someone's address
 - C. Sell something at a low price
 - D. Send and receive
84. The sentence "India Post also plays an important role in how the government serves the people" implies that
- A. India Post is not part of the government
 - B. One should send consignments through India Post only
 - C. Only private companies can serve the people
 - D. Government work depends partly on postal services
85. The words "cheaper and more reliable" as the author mentioned ensures that the India Post
- A. Gives its best to people of all sorts
 - B. Supports only commercial establishments
 - C. Supports only government establishments
 - D. Supports semi-government establishments

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow from 86 to 90.

Senior Citizens

In India, a senior citizen is someone who is 60 years or older. This is based on a law called the Senior Citizens Bill, passed in 2007. People in India are now living longer. In 1969, the average life in India was 47 years. In 1994, it increased to 60 years, and by 2019, it became 69 years. In 2015, about 8%

of people in India were elderly, which means they were over 60 years old. This was around 106 million people, or more than 10 crore. India has the second-largest number of elderly people in the world. Experts say that by 2050, 19% of India's people will be elderly.

There are three subgroups among old people: those who are 60 to 74 years are called the “young old,” 75 to 85 years are called the “old-old,” and people who are 85 and above are called the “oldest old.” Older people often have long-term health problems, known as chronic diseases. By 2030, about 45% of all health problems in India may affect elderly people.

In 1982, a group called the World Assembly on Ageing met in Vienna, Austria and made a plan to help old people. It was supported by the United Nations. This plan asked governments and organisations to make rules and programs to support older people. In 2020, the United Nations declared the years 2021 to 2030 be the “Decade of Healthy Ageing.” This means that governments, media, schools, and businesses should work together to help older people live better lives. The main goals are to change how people think about old age, to make places where old people can live well, to give them good health care, and to provide long-term care to those who need it.

There are some important things that need to be done quickly. These include giving medical and home help to elderly people, training more doctors and nurses to care for them, doing more research on geriatric health, and making low-cost tools to help them in daily life. It is also important to give vaccines and good food to old people and to support their mental health.

Elderly people in India face many problems. These are not only about health, but also about feeling lonely, having little money, or not having proper housing. A government report in 2021 found that 75% of old people have one or more diseases. One in three feels sad or depressed, and 32% are not happy with their lives. Only 18% of old people have health insurance. Only 28% know about special discounts for senior citizens, and 24% find it hard to show the documents needed to get help. About 70% depend on others for their daily needs, and 78% do not get any pension.

86. According to the Senior Citizens Bill in India, who is a senior citizen?

- A. A person who is 80 years old or more
- B. A person who is 60 years old or more
- C. A retired government employee
- D. Anyone who has grandchildren

87. What has happened to life expectancy in India over the past few decades?

- A. It has remained the same
- B. It has become shorter due to health problems
- C. It has increased from 47 to 69 years
- D. It decreased from 89 to 67 years

88. What are the three age groups mentioned for elderly people?
- A. Young old (60–74), old-old (75–85), and oldest old (85+)
 - B. Senior, super-senior, and retired
 - C. Young, middle-aged, and old
 - D. Junior elderly, senior elderly, and aged
89. What is the “Decade of Healthy Ageing” about?
- A. A plan to reduce the number of old people
 - B. A time to build hospitals for children
 - C. A United Nations call to improve life for older people
 - D. A program to give money to elderly people every year
90. Why do many elderly people in India find it hard to get services and support?
- A. They are not allowed to go outside
 - B. They prefer not to use government services
 - C. Most of them are rich and don’t need help
 - D. They often lack documents, insurance, or knowledge about their rights

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow from 91 to 95.

Grown Up Children and Elderly Parents

Many people believe that grown-up children should take care of their elderly parents because parents raised, protected, and guided them. They spent their time, energy, and love to ensure their children had a good life. Some see this as a duty and believe that showing care and respect for parents is an important moral responsibility. Taking care of aging parents also sets a good example for future generations, as children learn from their parents' behavior. If they see their parents caring for grandparents, they may do the same when they grow up.

However, not everyone feels this obligation. Some people have difficult relationships with their parents. If a parent was absent during their childhood, did not provide support, or behaved badly—such as being an alcoholic or neglecting their child—the emotional bond may be weak. In such cases, children may not feel responsible for looking after them. Some believe that care should depend on the relationship, not just family ties. Additionally, looking after elderly parents can take different forms—it can be financial help, emotional support, or simply spending time with them. While some elderly parents want their children to care for them, others prefer to live independently so they do not become a burden.

Despite different views, many agree that elderly parents should not feel lonely or abandoned. As people grow older, they often need companionship and emotional support as much as physical care. Even if children are busy, small efforts like visiting, calling, or offering help can make a big difference. Some

believe that even if parents made mistakes, forgiveness is important, as nobody is perfect. Others see caring for parents as a "human morality investment"—doing good in the hope that their own children will care for them in the future. In the end, caring for parents is not just about duty, but also about love, respect, and gratitude.

91. Why do many people believe grown-up children should take care of their elderly parents?
- A. Because it is required by law
 - B. Because parents raised, protected, and guided them
 - C. Because parents give their children money
 - D. Because elderly people cannot live alone
92. What is one reason some children may not feel responsible for their parents?
- A. Their parents may not have taken care of them in childhood
 - B. They believe parents should take care of themselves
 - C. They do not have enough money to support them
 - D. They think only mothers should be cared for
93. What are some ways children can support their elderly parents?
- A. Only by living with them
 - B. Only by giving them money
 - C. Through financial help, emotional support, or spending time with them
 - D. By sending them to live in another country
94. Why do some elderly parents prefer to live independently?
- A. They want to travel the world
 - B. They dislike their children
 - C. They are too old to live with others
 - D. They do not want to be a burden on their children
95. What is the idea of a "human morality investment" mentioned in the text?
- A. Investing money in elderly homes
 - B. Helping parents so children will do the same for them in the future
 - C. Saving money for old age
 - D. Donating to charities for elderly people

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow from 95 to 100.

Connection and Autonomy: Two Human Needs

According to research in psychology and evolution, humans have two important needs that often pull in different directions: the need for connection and the need for autonomy. These needs must be balanced for people to feel happy and live a meaningful life.

Our early ancestors needed to stay close to others for protection. Early humans in hunter-gatherer societies lived in groups, helped each other, and worked together to survive. Those who tried to live alone were less likely to survive. Thus, both the gene-pool and cultures that survived promoted human connection. Over time, humans developed a strong need for connection. Even today, we feel good when we spend time with friends, share a meal, or talk to someone we trust. Whether it's through social media or face-to-face, connection remains a big part of our happiness.

But humans also have another deep need: the need for autonomy. This means being able to make our own decisions, choose our own goals, and use our personal talents. Autonomy helps people grow and become useful to their group or society. It also helps us feel fulfilled in who we are and what we can do.

Humans are special because we can imagine the future. We can think about who we want to become and make plans to become that person. From childhood, we start to notice what we are good at. These skills often become part of our identity. When something feels important to us, we enjoy doing it more and try to get better at it. This is how autonomy pushes us to develop our talents.

However, strong social connections can sometimes limit our freedom. We have to think about how our actions affect others. If we only care about ourselves and ignore others, we may lose our relationships. So, both connection and autonomy are important—but they must be balanced. In the past, connection was necessary for survival. Autonomy was more like a luxury. Today, we need both to live well.

96. Why did early humans stay in groups?
- A. They enjoyed social events
 - B. They were too lazy to live alone
 - C. It helped them stay safe and survive
 - D. They had no other place to go
97. What does the passage suggest about spending time with friends?
- A. It only helps when you are young
 - B. It improves physical strength
 - C. It is a modern idea created by social media
 - D. It continues to bring people happiness today

98. How does autonomy help a person?
- A. It makes them more popular
 - B. It allows them to follow their interests and grow
 - C. It teaches them to avoid making mistakes
 - D. It helps them depend more on others
99. What is one special ability that humans have, according to the passage?
- A. The ability to plan for the future and change themselves
 - B. The ability to read minds
 - C. The ability to always make the right choices
 - D. The ability to live without help
100. What is the main message of the passage?
- A. People should avoid strong relationships
 - B. Autonomy is more important than connection
 - C. A good life requires both independence and relationships
 - D. Happiness comes from doing whatever you want

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Question No.	Answer	Question No.	Answer
1	C	51	B
2	A	52	D
3	C	53	A
4	A	54	D
5	D	55	C
6	B	56	A
7	B	57	D
8	C	58	B
9	D	59	B
10	A	60	A
11	D	61	D
12	C	62	A
13	D	63	B
14	C	64	C
15	A	65	D
16	B	66	A
17	D	67	C
18	B	68	D
19	D	69	B
20	A	70	C
21	A	71	D
22	C	72	B
23	B	73	B
24	D	74	D
25	D	75	A
26	A	76	B
27	B	77	C
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35	C	85	A
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37	D	87	C
38	C	88	A
39	C	89	C
40	D	90	D
41	A	91	B
42	C	92	A
43	A	93	C
44	B	94	D
45	B	95	B
46	C	96	C
47	D	97	D
48	C	98	B
49	A	99	A
50	B	100	C