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Section - A: English

Read the following passage and answer the following questions by choosing the most appropriate answer.

- I. The Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) released a high-severity alert concerning multiple vulnerabilities found in Apple Vision Pro. Apple Vision Pro operates on the newly developed VisionOS. Reports suggest that it is susceptible to severe security breaches. News comes in that the vulnerabilities found in Apple Vision Pro can allow malicious actors to seize control of your system, access confidential user information and cause significant disruptions.

Experts suggest that the device can allow attackers to execute arbitrary code with kernel-level privileges. This capability would enable attackers the highest level of access to the system. The expected threat can pass in through many built-in security mechanisms, enabling it to install malicious software or alter system settings without detection. The root causes of these vulnerabilities can be various technical issues within the VisionOS components. "These include 'use-after-free' bugs in the kernel, errors in the CoreMedia and libiconv components, out-of-bounds write and access issues, integer overflows, and type confusion errors in the WebKit component. These technical flaws can be exploited by attackers through maliciously crafted web content, leading to memory corruption and system compromise,," as reported by CERT-In. It looks like Apple might have released a software update for the Vision Pro. CERT-In seems to have advised all users to promptly download and install this update to protect their devices from potential exploits. In addition to this keeping the software up to date is crucial in 'safeguarding against these vulnerabilities and ensuring the security and integrity of the system,' CERT-In explained.

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<https://www.financialexpress.com/life/technology-apple-vision-pro-prone-to-hacking-indian-government-warns-what-to-do-now-3525241/>

1. The major underlying issue in the Apple Vision Pro vulnerabilities is:
 - (a) Deficiencies in user authentication protocols.
 - (b) Inadequate encryption standards in data transmission.
 - (c) Weaknesses in the operating system's core components.
 - (d) Inefficiencies in the hardware design.
2. Why might attackers have a significant advantage in exploiting Apple Vision Pro?
 - (a) The device's security mechanisms are poorly designed.
 - (b) The attackers can gain administrative privileges easily.
 - (c) The inherent complexity of the system's architecture.
 - (d) The rapid development cycle of the software.

3. **Statement 1:** Attackers can install malicious software on the device.
Statement 2: The vulnerabilities stem from technical issues in various VisionOS components.
Choose the most appropriate answer.
- (a) Both statements are true and 2 is the correct explanation of 1.
 - (b) Both statements are true but 2 is not the correct explanation of 1.
 - (c) Statement 1 is true but statement 2 is false.
 - (d) Statement 1 is false but statement 2 is true.
4. Which of the following statements is incorrect according to the passage?
- (a) Security updates are crucial to protect against potential exploits.
 - (b) Attackers can use these vulnerabilities to access confidential information.
 - (c) Apple has not yet responded to the vulnerabilities.
 - (d) Use-after-free bugs can lead to memory corruption.
5. The writer's perspective on the necessary actions to mitigate the security risks is:
- (a) dismissive
 - (b) proactive
 - (c) skeptical
 - (d) complacent

II. In the emerald countryside of Wales sits a manor named Nantclwyd Hall. Built 400 years ago, the luxurious two-story brick sanctuary is painted peach and capped with a gently sloping slate-gray roof. Surrounding it are acres of neatly geometric gardens, adorned with ornate temples and whimsical structures that stand like stone jewels amid long fields of trimmed grass.

Inspired by a ball game played indoors by aristocrats for centuries, Wingfield's innovation was to move the game outside and replace the leather ball with a bouncing rubber one. The game was a hit. Within months, Wingfield had patented sphairistike. He began a business, published two books to promote the game and sold playing sets. Presented in a handsome, long wooden box, a typical set included written instructions, a long net, court markers, a rubber ball, pegs and tape to mark the court, and four lopsided rackets—to better to hit the low-bouncing ball. In the first year, Wingfield sold a thousand sets that quickly spread across the British Empire and beyond. Just three years later, in 1877, the first tournament of champions for lawn tennis, as the sport became known, was held at Wimbledon.

Although the major's game of tennis is rarely recognized as a product of hominin evolution, the ability to strike a bouncing ball with a racket is evidence of an ancient symbiosis between human and tool. Consider what happens when you pick up a tennis racket the first time. At that moment, the racket is just a thing. An external object in the world. Next, a ball is tossed in your direction to strike. With more

practice, each swing becomes more natural, each ball hit more precisely as your hand feels ever more at home wrapped around the grip. A Philosophy of Sport, one possible origin for the word “racket” is rchette, Middle French for the palm of the hand. This etymology suggests how the racket becomes a part of the hand itself.

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6. Despite Major Wingfield's meticulous planning and innovation, the initial reception of his game was ____? Choose the most appropriate answer.
- (a) indifferent. (b) antagonistic.
(c) mediocre. (d) enthusiastic.
7. One significant challenge faced by early adopters of Wingfield's game was:
- (a) insufficient understanding of the game rules.
(b) inadequate availability of playing equipment.
(c) the complexity of setting up the court.
(d) resistance to change from traditional indoor games.
8. Arrange the following steps in the development and popularization of Wingfield's game:
- (1) Publishing books to promote the game.
(2) Moving the game outside and introducing a rubber ball.
(3) Selling a thousand sets in the first year.
(4) Patenting the game as sphairistike.
- Choose the appropriate option:
- (a) (2), (4), (1), (3) (b) (1), (2), (3), (4)
(c) (4), (2), (3), (1) (d) (2), (1), (4), (3)
9. The term “symbiosis” in the context of human evolution and tools refers to:
- (a) the inherent harmony between different organisms in nature.
(b) the mutual beneficial relationship between humans and their tools.
(c) the evolutionary adaptation of humans to their environment.
(d) the dependency of humans on technology for survival.
10. The idea that the racket becomes an extension of the hand illustrates:
- (a) the gradual integration of tools into daily human life.
(b) the immediate ease with which humans use new tools.
(c) the evolutionary development of human dexterity.
(d) the natural human instinct to manipulate objects.

11. The development of Wingfield's lawn tennis set into a widely accepted sport signifies:
- (a) the promotion of aristocratic pastimes.
 - (b) the transition of indoor activities to outdoor sports.
 - (c) the invention of modern sports equipment.
 - (d) the role of effective marketing in sports popularization.
12. The process by which a tool like a racket becomes an extension of the body demonstrates:
- (a) the cognitive adaptation of humans to their environment.
 - (b) the physical training required for athletic proficiency.
 - (c) the mental focus needed to master a skill.
 - (d) the integration of external objects into one's bodily schema.

III. More than 100 leaders, including the US vice-president, Kamala Harris, and the presidents or heads of the EU, South American, Middle East and Asian countries, will gather in Switzerland for one of the most ambitious attempts yet to forge a peace plan for Ukraine. The summit comes as G7 leaders gathering in Italy clinch a new deal for a €50bn loan for Ukraine, securitised through use of the windfall profits from the interest on Russian central bank assets frozen by the EU and other western nations after the 2022 invasion of Ukraine.

The two-day peace conference, which will take place at the luxury Bürgenstock resort outside Lucerne, will discuss Kyiv's proposed 10-point plan to end the war along with three other themes: the nuclear threat, food security and humanitarian needs in Ukraine.

It follows the Russian president, Vladimir Putin, demanding that Kyiv cede more land, withdraw troops deeper inside its own country and drop its Nato bid in order for him to end his war in Ukraine – proposals that were rejected by Ukraine, the US and Nato.

A joint communique is expected to centre on the importance of the UN principles on maintaining and respecting "sovereignty and territorial integrity".

While this is not seen as advancing peace in itself, it is designed to "reduce the space for any unhelpful initiatives."

This will be seen as a success for Volodymyr Zelenskiy who is aiming to build international support for his peace plan that includes a full withdrawal of Russian troops from Ukraine and return to its 1991 post-Soviet borders. Organisers of the peace summit played down China's decision not to attend, a move that prompted Zelenskiy to accuse Beijing of helping Moscow undermine the meeting, which China's foreign ministry denied.

Kyiv had been pushing hard for a Chinese delegation to attend the summit to give the conference further legitimacy and drive a wedge between Moscow and Beijing. There were also hopes that Saudi Arabia may attend after what Zelenskiy described as “productive and energetic” talks with the Saudi crown prince Mohammed bin Salman. Moscow has dismissed the meeting as futile.

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<https://www.theguardian.com/world/article/2024/jun/15/world-leaders-to-gather-in-swiss-resort-in-attempt-to-forge-ukraine-peace-plan>

13. This passage most likely appeared as part of a _____. Complete the sentence with an appropriate option.
- (a) international diplomacy journal feature
 - (b) local news report on regional events
 - (c) technology review article
 - (d) corporate financial report
14. The author’s primary purpose in this passage is _____.
- (a) To persuade readers that the summit will definitely resolve the Ukraine conflict.
 - (b) To describe the complexities and efforts involved in seeking peace in Ukraine.
 - (c) To criticize the lack of attendance by major global players like China.
 - (d) To explain the financial aspects of the G7 deal for Ukraine.
15. The passage mentions “food security” to emphasize _____.
- (a) The international community’s primary concern for Ukraine’s economy.
 - (b) The agricultural prospects of Ukraine in a post-war scenario.
 - (c) The focus on rebuilding Ukraine’s infrastructure.
 - (d) The importance of addressing humanitarian issues in the conflict.
16. Identify the sentence in the passage that contains a participial phrase.
- (a) "The summit comes as G7 leaders gathering in Italy clinch a new deal for a €50bn loan for Ukraine."
 - (b) "The two-day peace conference, which will take place at the luxury Bürgenstock resort outside Lucerne, will discuss Kyiv’s proposed 10-point plan to end the war."
 - (c) "Organisers of the peace summit played down China’s decision not to attend, a move that prompted Zelenskiy to accuse Beijing of helping Moscow undermine the meeting."
 - (d) None of the above

17. According to the passage, why is the cost of implementing the G7 deal a challenge?
- (a) The economic instability caused by ongoing conflicts.
 - (b) The complexity of securitizing windfall profits.
 - (c) The hesitation of member countries to commit financially.
 - (d) The legal issues surrounding frozen assets.
18. What does the passage suggest about the balance between Ukrainian sovereignty and the demands of external parties?
- (a) Ukraine is required to make major concessions to reach peace agreements.
 - (b) External parties have a minor impact on Ukraine's decision-making.
 - (c) Preserving sovereignty is less crucial than achieving immediate peace.
 - (d) Upholding Ukrainian sovereignty is crucial despite external pressures.
19. The author's discussion of the absence of certain countries, like China, is primarily intended to _____
- (a) Highlight the geopolitical complexities surrounding the summit.
 - (b) Emphasize the lack of interest from major global players.
 - (c) Suggest that the summit is unlikely to succeed without China.
 - (d) Criticize the international community's approach to peace negotiations.
20. Give a word from the passage which means 'sabotage'?
- (a) Push
 - (b) Drive
 - (c) Legitimize
 - (d) Undermine
21. In the passage, the phrase 'productive and energetic', is best defined as –
- (a) Creates a stronger resistance.
 - (b) Reduces the complexity of discussions.
 - (c) Promotes a more fruitful dialogue.
 - (d) Develops a superficial understanding.
22. Which of the following, if true, would most weaken the conclusion that addressing the challenges is crucial for harnessing the full potential of peace efforts in Ukraine?
- (a) Leaders are convening more summits without addressing prior challenges.
 - (b) Traditional methods are becoming less effective in conflict resolution.
 - (c) Diplomatic efforts are becoming more inclusive and participatory.
 - (d) Summits are proving effective due to persistent geopolitical tensions.

IV. The volcanoes along Mars' equator are massive, imposing features, with some peaks towering more than twice the height of Mount Everest. Olympus Mons, the tallest, is as wide as France. Now, a new discovery adds to the mountains' intrigue: the presence of early morning frost. According to a study, a winter frost periodically covers extensive patches of Mars' Tharsis region, home to a dozen volcanoes—providing the latest evidence of water on Mars and the first sighting of water at the planet's equator. For a few hours each morning, before sunlight directly strikes the equator, some craters at the volcanoes' summits are coated in a layer of water frost. This icy film is thinner than a human hair, but it covers so much area that the amount of water accumulating daily at the peaks, researchers estimate, could fill 60 Olympic-sized swimming pools. What we're seeing could be a trace of a past Martian climate. It could be related to atmospheric climate processes that were operating earlier in Martian history, maybe millions of years ago.

Astronomers spotted the frost when analysing roughly 30,000 high-resolution colour images of Mars captured by the European Space Agency's (ESA) Trace Gas Orbiter. The international team confirmed the pictures were indeed of frozen water—not of carbon dioxide, which can appear similar—by calculating that the volcanoes' temperature was too hot for carbon dioxide to freeze. Researchers already knew the planet's northern and southern polar ice caps hosted water ice, and the new finding adds another site to the map of Mars' water. This is quite exciting, because it tells you how dynamic Mars' water system is, but also how water can be found in different amounts basically everywhere on Mars. Scientists previously thought Mars' equator was too hot—and its atmosphere there too thin—to support frozen ice. But the finding of frost is evidence of a more nuanced water cycle, one made possible by a microclimate atop volcanoes. There, mountain winds carry moist air into craters called calderas that are, during certain seasons, cool enough for condensation to occur. This process is “decidedly Earth-like”.

The discovery was made with a combination of intention and luck. Most other Mars orbiters are synchronised with the sun, which means they don't observe the planet's equator until the afternoon, when the frost has already melted away. Mars also has only a narrow, seasonal window when frost can form. The researchers were looking for frost in other equatorial regions for a different project and were surprised when they found it on volcanoes' peaks. As space agencies look toward sending humans to Mars, discoveries of water are crucial, experts say.

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23. What is the primary purpose of this passage?
- (a) To discuss the recent discovery of morning frost on Mars' volcanoes and its implications.
 - (b) To argue for the necessity of further exploration of Mars' Tharsis region.
 - (c) To compare the climates of Earth and Mars and their similarities.
 - (d) To present the technological advancements of the ESA's Trace Gas Orbiter in planetary research.
24. What is the tone conveyed by the speaker when they state: "This is quite exciting, because it tells you how dynamic Mars' water system is..."? www.lawpreptutorial.com
- (a) Enthusiastic
 - (b) Skeptical
 - (c) Indifferent
 - (d) Concerned
25. In the line, "providing the latest evidence of water on Mars and the first sighting of water at the planet's equator," the word 'evidence' refers to being:
- (a) Conclusive
 - (b) Indicative
 - (c) Hypothetical
 - (d) Anomalous
26. How was the research team impacted by their discovery of frost on Mars' volcanoes?
- (a) They gained insights into Mars' historical climate processes.
 - (b) They shifted their focus to studying Mars' polar ice caps.
 - (c) They discovered new technological flaws in the ESA's Trace Gas Orbiter.
 - (d) They reconsidered the feasibility of human colonization of Mars.
27. What does the researcher mean when they say, "Mars' equator was too hot—and its atmosphere there too thin—to support frozen ice"?
- (a) Mars has extreme weather conditions compared to Earth.
 - (b) Mars' atmospheric conditions vary significantly across different regions.
 - (c) Mars' equatorial regions were previously thought incapable of retaining ice.
 - (d) Mars has never had water ice in its equatorial regions before.
28. Which skill does the researcher display with the statement, "the amount of water accumulating daily at the peaks, researchers estimate, could fill 60 Olympic-sized swimming pools"?
- (a) Quantification
 - (b) Simplification
 - (c) Exaggeration
 - (d) Speculation

29. Which of these options best describes the expression "adding another site to the map of Mars' water"?
- (a) Discovering a new potential habitat for life.
 - (b) Confirming the presence of life-sustaining resources.
 - (c) Highlighting areas with potential for human settlement.
 - (d) Expanding the known locations of water on Mars.
30. Which of the following is the least likely inference to be drawn from the given passage?
- (a) The presence of frost on Mars' volcanoes indicates a dynamic water system.
 - (b) Early morning frost may suggest past climatic conditions on Mars.
 - (c) The discovery necessitates immediate human exploration of Mars.
 - (d) The ESA's Trace Gas Orbiter plays a crucial role in Martian research.
31. What does the phrase 'dynamic water system' refer to, in the text?
- (a) The constant movement and changes in Mars' water presence.
 - (b) The sporadic appearance of water in different forms.
 - (c) The influence of volcanic activity on water distribution.
 - (d) The potential for life-sustaining water cycles.
32. What is the researchers' opinion on the significance of frost discovery as per the text?
- (a) It highlights the potential for human survival on Mars.
 - (b) It suggests the possibility of a thicker Martian atmosphere in the past.
 - (c) It opens up new avenues for understanding Mars' geological history.
 - (d) It indicates the need for advanced technological instruments for Mars exploration.
- V.** You wait decades for such an occasion and this happens. Scotland had cause to wonder whether the fevered level of anticipation that surrounded their involvement in Euro 2024 was remotely worth the bother. Fans from Munich to Mossblown watched through cracks in their fingers. From outside the ground, the Aberdeen chairman was bemoaning "the worst organisation I have ever seen". This required a rethink after what took place in the first half. The situation is now so stark that there must be serious questions over whether Steve Clarke can rally a demoralised squad to the point where they can do what is surely necessary and defeat Switzerland. Scotland had not played in a tournament outside the UK since 1998. They had not featured in a European Championship abroad since 1992. What transpired in Munich served as a painful reminder of what happens when you are well short of your best against a world-class team. The Swiss and Hungarians will be rubbing their hands. The highlight of the evening for anyone of Scottish persuasion came 20 minutes before

kick-off. Men, women and children – of all shapes, sizes and ages – leapt about in celebration. Scotland were back.

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33. The sense of despondency among Scottish fans can be attributed to:

1. The quality of the opposing team.
2. The anticipation and buildup leading to the event.
3. Organizational issues at the event.
4. The performance of the Scottish team.

Choose the most appropriate answer.

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| (a) (1) and (4) | (b) (1) and (2) |
| (c) (2) and (3) | (d) (3) and (4) |

34. A significant challenge for the Scottish team during Euro 2024 was:

- (a) Lack of sufficient support from fans.
- (b) The overwhelming strength of their opponents.
- (c) Inadequate preparation time.
- (d) The absence of key players due to injuries.

35. In the context of the passage, "outside the ground" refers to:

- (a) The location of the fans during the match.
- (b) The position of the opposing team's supporters.
- (c) The external environment affecting the event.
- (d) The perspective of a non-participating observer.

36. **Statement 1:** The anticipation for Scotland's involvement in Euro 2024 was extremely high.

Statement 2: Scotland had a flawless organizational setup for the event.

Choose the most appropriate answer.

- (a) Both statements are true and 2 is the correct explanation of 1.
- (b) Both statements are true but 2 is not the correct explanation of 1.
- (c) Statement 1 is true but statement 2 is false.
- (d) Statement 1 is false but statement 2 is true.

37. The use of the term "rally a demoralised squad" implies that Steve Clarke must:
- (a) Introduce new players to replace the current squad.
 - (b) Motivate a team that has lost confidence.
 - (c) Seek external help for better training techniques.
 - (d) Focus on improving the physical fitness of the team.
38. In which of the following sentences is the word 'stark' employed in a manner that mirrors its use in the passage?
- (a) The stark landscape was devoid of any life or colour.
 - (b) The room had a stark contrast of light and shadow.
 - (c) The starkness of his warning left no room for doubt.
 - (d) She faced the stark truth of her situation with bravery.
39. In the sentence "organizational shortcomings during the event in Munich" which part of speech is "organizational"?
- (a) Noun
 - (b) Verb
 - (c) Adjective
 - (d) Adverb

VI. The Bavarian city of Ingolstadt was no stranger to secrets. It wasn't in May 1776, anyway, when it became the birthplace of the Illuminati. Shrouded in shadows, this secret society convened for close to 10 years, circulating its ideas without censure or condemnation. It wasn't until 1785 that its activities were banned, as an active conspiracy against the state of Bavaria.

The Illuminati and other secret societies inspire our imaginations, both for better and for worse. There's something about them that's irresistibly intriguing. But why? What are they, actually, and what do they do? What makes them so fascinating, both for insiders and for outsiders looking in? In the simplest sense of the term, a secret society is any organization that maintains a measure of secrecy, whether it conceals its aims, its activities, its membership, or any other aspect of its operations. In fact, though the specific definition of the term is still disputed, descriptions of secret societies tend to stress the sharing of secret knowledge and the administration of secret rites, rituals, and initiations, meant to set members and non-members apart. Those who know the secret are the insiders, 'us.' Those who do not know the secret are the outsiders, 'them'.

Though the majority of modern secret societies fulfill a social function — fostering friendships, creating communities, circulating ideas, and carrying out charitable services — there are many other types of secret societies, too. Some secret societies safeguard religious secrets and trade skills. Others promote particular political aims, reactionary as well as revolutionary. Others still fulfill several simultaneous

functions, all at once, and all from the shadows. The driving forces of secret societies are so diverse that some scholars include the Mafia among them, as a criminally oriented organization, thanks to its oaths of silence and specific requirements for inclusion.

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<https://www.discovermagazine.com/mind/why-the-illuminati-and-other-secret-societies-are-so-intriguing>

40. Based on the historical context provided, what could be a potential consequence for societal stability if secret societies are allowed to operate unchecked?
- (a) Increased public trust in government
 - (b) No impact on societal stability
 - (c) Heightened suspicion and paranoia among the populace
 - (d) Enhanced cooperation among different social groups
41. In what ways might secret societies contribute to the evolution of political movements, based on the passage?
- (a) By creating public awareness campaigns
 - (b) Through open debates and public forums
 - (c) By fostering clandestine revolutionary activities
 - (d) By maintaining transparency and accountability
42. What broader implications can be drawn from the activities of secret societies for the overall structure of societies?
- (a) They help establish robust and transparent governance structures
 - (b) They contribute to the fragmentation and segmentation of societal groups
 - (c) They ensure equitable distribution of resources and opportunities
 - (d) They play a significant role in public policy formulation
43. According to the passage, what is the relationship between secret societies and social functions?
- (a) They engage in community services
 - (b) They are mainly dedicated to political upheaval
 - (c) They primarily focus on criminal activities
 - (d) They have no major impact on social structures

44. What is the significance of secret rites and initiations in secret societies, as discussed in the passage?
- (a) They serve to include everyone in society
 - (b) They differentiate between members and non-members
 - (c) They are performed publicly to gain followers
 - (d) They have no real impact on the cohesion of the group

VII. Each day, thousands of animals face one of the most deadly predators in America — a road. More than 4 million miles of public roads across the U.S. provide vital links for commerce, services, and travel, but they're treacherous barriers for wildlife seeking food, water, and mates. Exposed and unsure about the noisy, unfamiliar terrain presented by an open road, an animal that hesitates or misjudges the speed of an approaching vehicle risks fatal consequences. Unfortunately, those encounters are all too common on busy roadways. According to the Federal Highway Administration, there are more than 1 million wildlife-vehicle collisions (WVCs) every year in the U.S. In addition to the hundreds of thousands of animals killed and maimed, WVCs also result in hundreds of human fatalities and tens of thousands of injuries. Collisions are expensive, too, costing more than \$8 billion annually in vehicle repairs, medical costs, and carcass removal.

Roads can also disrupt migratory routes, divide up ecosystems, and inhibit intermingling, confining entire species to ever-shrinking habitats. A report by the U.S. Department of Transportation found that these crashes are among the biggest threats to the survival of 21 threatened or endangered animal species, from reptiles like the desert tortoise to mammals like the San Joaquin kit fox. It's not just a direct killing that is a threat to the persistence of these species. It's also habitat fragmentation and having smaller and isolated populations that may ultimately go extinct.

The word roadkill has been in the American vocabulary since the late 1940s, but it's only been in the last several decades that studies have emerged examining the effect of roads on animals and the environment. One solution that's gaining traction is the wildlife crossing. Built over or under roadways, crossing structures allow animals to use custom-designed bridges and tunnels to get to the other side safely.

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<https://www.discovermagazine.com/planet-earth/organizations-work-to-reduce-animal-deaths-with-relegated-passageways>

45. Which option does NOT correctly infer the meaning based on the following sentence from the passage?
“Roads can also disrupt migratory routes, divide up ecosystems, and inhibit intermingling, confining entire species to ever-shrinking habitats.”
(a) Roads prevent animals from following their traditional migratory paths.
(b) Ecosystems are fragmented by roads, leading to isolated animal populations.
(c) Roads contribute to the expansion of habitats for various species.
(d) The presence of roads can lead to smaller, isolated animal populations.
46. What does the term ‘exposed and unsure’ imply in the first paragraph?
(a) Animals are fully aware of the dangers of the roads. www.lawpreptutorial.com
(b) Animals are hesitant and unfamiliar with the risks of crossing roads.
(c) Animals have adapted to crossing roads with confidence.
(d) Animals intentionally avoid crossing roads due to known dangers.
47. Why has the writer used the term “treacherous barriers” in the passage?
(a) To highlight the danger and difficulty animals face when crossing roads.
(b) To suggest that roads are a safe passageway for animals.
(c) To indicate that roads are beneficial for animal movement.
(d) To imply that roads are minor obstacles for wildlife.
48. Select the option that correctly analyses the impact of the phrase “fatal consequences.”
(a) To emphasize the minor injuries animals, sustain on roads.
(b) To illustrate the life-threatening risks animals, face due to road crossings.
(c) To describe the inconvenience caused to drivers by animals on roads.
(d) To suggest that animals are unharmed by vehicles.
49. How can the relationship between wildlife and roads be characterized as ‘adversarial’?
(a) Because roads offer abundant resources for wildlife, improving their survival.
(b) Because roads enhance the connectivity of wildlife habitats, promoting biodiversity.
(c) As wildlife benefit from roads by using them as migration pathways.
(d) As roads impose lethal challenges and disrupt the natural habitats of wildlife.
50. What is an example of a solution mentioned in the passage to address wildlife-vehicle collisions?
(a) Installing more road signs to alert drivers of wildlife presence.
(b) Reducing the speed limits on roads near wildlife habitats.
(c) Building wildlife crossings over or under roadways.
(d) Increasing vehicle lighting to prevent collisions at night.

SECTION – B: CURRENT AFFAIRS AND GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

51. Which of the following state is not a part of Sixth schedule of the Indian constitution?
(a) Assam (b) Tripura
(c) Meghalaya (d) Manipur
52. Board of Madarsa Education Act was recently declared as unconstitutional. The act was passed in the year?
(a) 2001 (b) 2003
(c) 2004 (d) 2006
53. Katchatheevu island was given to Sri Lanka by Indian Government in 1974. Before India's Independence the Island was under which zamindari in Tamil Nadu?
(a) Kabal Zamindari (b) Nayak Zamindari
(c) Ramnad Zamindari (d) Sethupati Zamindari
54. Idea of Setu samudram was first given by AD Taylor in the year?
(a) 1860 (b) 1818
(c) 1885 (d) 1957
55. PIO and OCI schemes were merged in the year?
(a) 2013 (b) 2014
(c) 2015 (d) 2016
56. In April 2024 Iran attacked Israel with nearly 300 drones and Missiles?
(a) Operation True Promise (b) Operation Wrath of God
(c) Operation Al Aqsa Flood (d) None of the above.
57. S400 Missiles have a Maximum detection range of?
(a) 400KM (b) 500 KM
(c) 600 KM (d) 700 KM
58. World Refugee Day is celebrated on?
(a) 19 June. (b) 20 June.
(c) 21 June. (d) 22 June.
59. International Seabed Authority was established in the year?
(a) 1982 (b) 1983
(c) 1984 (d) 1985

60. A total Solar Eclipse was seen recently in North America. The continent includes –
(a) Canada (b) USA
(c) Mexico (d) All of the Above
61. 1st official world chess championship was held in the year?
(a) 1885 (b) 1886
(c) 1887 (d) 1888
62. National Disaster Relief Fund was established under which section of Disaster Management Act 2005?
(a) 45 (b) 46
(c) 47 (d) 48
63. Who is the current chairperson of National Human Right Commission?
(a) Vinod Srivastava (b) Smriti Irani
(c) Arun Kumar Mishra (d) Vishal Tripathi
64. Nuclear Supplier group was established in the year?
(a) 1945 (b) 1964
(c) 1975 (d) 1988
65. Zero Debris in Space charter has been signed by which of the following entities?
(a) NASA (b) ROSCOSMOS
(c) JAXA (d) European Space Agency
66. In which of the following cases did the SC ruled that right to Vote is a pure and simple statutory right?
(a) Indira Gandhi vs Raj Narayan (b) Kuldip Nayar vs UOI
(c) Lily Thomas Vs UOI (d) PUCL vs UOI.
67. Recently a bunch of Coal was sent through the INSTC Corridor to India. The coal was sent from which of the following country?
(a) Azerbaijan (b) Iran
(c) Russia (d) Kazakhstan
68. GST was introduced in India with Constitutional Amendment?
(a) 99th (b) 98th
(c) 100th (d) 101st

69. World Consumer rights day is celebrated on?
(a) March 15th (b) 24th December
(c) 5th June (d) 18th May
70. Navratna Status was introduced in the year?
(a) 1996 (b) 1997
(c) 1998 (d) 1999
71. The seat for Anglo Indians was taken away from Parliament by which of the following constitutional amendments?
(a) 102 (b) 103
(c) 104 (d) 105
72. Which of the following is a Scheme and programme for increasing the efficiency of the Indian courts?
(a) SUPACE (b) SUVAS
(c) Both (a) and (b) (d) None of the above
73. Which of the following is not a member country of G7?
(a) Canada (b) Japan
(c) United Kingdom (d) Russia
74. WIPO treaty on International Genetic resources and Traditional Knowledge is related to which protocol?
(a) Nagoya Protocol (b) Kyoto Protocol
(c) Wassenaar Agreement (d) Geneva Convention
75. World's First 3 D printed Rocket has been made by?
(a) IIT Kanpur (b) IIT Delhi
(c) IIT Madras (d) DRDO
76. Indian National Congress was formed in the year?
(a) 1983 (b) 1985
(c) 1988 (d) 1995
77. Which of the following channels divide Andaman and Nicobar Islands?
(a) 10 Degree Channel (b) 9 Degree Channel
(c) 8 Degree Channel (d) 7 Degree Channel

78. Indian Constitution was Majorly based on which of the following British Era Law?
(a) Morley Minto Reforms 1909 (b) Montague- Chelmsford Reforms 1919
(c) Government of India Act 1935 (d) None of the Above
79. Who decides the targets of inflation in India?
(a) Government of India (b) Government of States collectively
(c) RBI (d) None of the Above.
80. Council of Ministers is collectively responsible to?
(a) Rajya Sabha (b) Lok Sabha
(c) Parliament (d) President

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SECTION – C: LOGICAL REASONING

81. All Apples are Fruits. No Fruit is a Vegetable. Some Vegetables are Roots.

Examine the conclusions:

- I. Some Roots are Apples
- II. No Apple is a Vegetable
- III. Some Roots are not Fruits

Which of the conclusions necessarily follows? Choose the most appropriate answer:

- (a) Only I
- (b) Only II
- (c) Only III
- (d) Both II and III

Directions for questions 82 to 84: Answer the questions based on the information given below.

Eight players of a cricket team (Rohit, Jasprit, Surya, Archer, Jaydev, Rahul, Pollard, and Tushar) live on different floors of an eight-floor hotel such that the bottommost floor is numbered as 1 and the topmost floor is numbered as 8 but not necessarily in the same order.

Two players live between Jasprit and Archer. Either Archer or Jasprit lives on 3rd floor. Surya lives three floors above Tushar. Neither Surya nor Tushar lives adjacent to Archer. Two players live between Rahul and Rohit. Rohit lives on an even numbered floor above Archer. More than two players live between Pollard and Jaydev. Neither Pollard nor Jaydev lives adjacent to Rahul.

82. Tushar lives _____ floors below Pollard.

- (a) One
- (b) Six
- (c) Five
- (d) Either (a) or (b)

83. Which of the following statements is/are definitely correct?

- I. Pollard lives between Rohit and Archer
- II. Rahul lives on 5th floor
- III. Tushar lives on an odd numbered floor

- (a) Only I and II
- (b) Only I and III
- (c) Only I
- (d) Only II and III

84. If Pollard doesn't live on an even numbered floor, then, how many players live above Jaydev?

- (a) Five
- (b) One
- (c) Four
- (d) Six

85. Every mathematician is logical. Some logical people are curious. All curious individuals love puzzles.
Which of the following statements necessarily follows?
(a) Some mathematicians love puzzles.
(b) All curious people are mathematicians.
(c) If someone is curious and logical, they must love puzzles.
(d) Every logical person is a mathematician.
86. All Trees are Plants. No Plant is a Computer. All Computers are Machines.
Examine the conclusions:
I. No Tree is a Machine
II. All Machines are Computers
III. Some Machines are not Trees
Which of the conclusions necessarily follows? Choose the most appropriate answer:
(a) Only I
(b) Only II
(c) Only III
(d) Both a and c
87. All Birds are Creatures. No Creature is a Ghost. All Ghosts are Shadows. All Shadows are Ghosts.
Given this information, which of the options necessarily follows?
(a) No Birds are Shadows.
(b) Some Birds are Shadows.
(c) All Birds are Shadows.
(d) None of the above.
88. Some cars are vehicles. All vehicles are transports. Some transports are planes.
Which of the following statements necessarily follows?
(a) Some planes are cars
(b) At least some planes are vehicles
(c) No vehicles are cars
(d) All vehicles are transports
89. All cats are mammals. Some mammals are nocturnal. Everything that is nocturnal is active. Y is a mammal.
Which of the following statements necessarily follows?
(a) All active creatures are nocturnal.
(b) If 'Y' is nocturnal, it must be a cat.
(c) Y must be active.
(d) None of the above

90. Every painter is an artist. Some artists are famous. All famous individuals are wealthy.
Z is an artist.
Which of the following statements necessarily follows?
(a) Z is wealthy.
(b) Z is a painter.
(c) If Z is a famous artist, Z must be wealthy.
(d) Both a and c
91. "All students are learners. Some learners are teachers. All teachers are readers."
Book is a teacher. Which of the following is true?
(a) Book can be learner and it reads.
(b) Book is a learner and a student.
(c) Book is a learner but neither reads nor is a student.
(d) Book is a learner. As to whether it is a student, and as to whether it reads, there is not sufficient information.
92. "All managers are employees. Some employees are executives. All executives are wealthy."
Grace is an executive. Which of the following is true?
(a) Grace is an employee and she is wealthy.
(b) Grace is an employee but not a manager.
(c) Grace is not an employee but she is manager.
(d) Grace is wealthy. As to whether she is an employee, there is not sufficient information.
93. If in a certain code, TABLE is coded as FMCBU, then CHAIR would be:
(a) DGBHS (b) SJBID
(c) DJAJS (d) DJBJR
94. If in a certain code, LAMP is coded as ROCN, then BULB would be:
(a) DWND (b) DYNE
(c) DXOE (d) DNWD
95. If in a certain code, APPLE is coded as EMMII, then OCEAN would be:
(a) SZIEK (b) SZIEO
(c) SIIEK (d) SZPEK

96. If in a certain code, TIGER is coded as RKEGP, then MUSIC would be:
(a) KWPKA (b) KWQKA
(c) KWWKA (d) KEQKA
97. Medicine : Disease :: Education : ?
(a) Teacher (b) Knowledge
(c) School (d) Ignorance
98. Conductor : Orchestra :: Director : ?
(a) Movie (b) Actor
(c) Stage (d) Company
99. Butterfly : Metamorphosis :: Seed : ?
(a) Plant (b) Growth
(c) Soil (d) Germination
100. Heart : Circulation :: Lung : ?
(a) Oxygen (b) Respiration
(c) Blood (d) Air
101. Maria is distributing four cupcakes among six of her friends – A, B, C, D, E, and F – according to the following conditions:
If A receives a cupcake, then B must also receive a cupcake.
If C receives a cupcake, then neither D nor E can receive a cupcake.
At least one of B or E must receive a cupcake.
Each cupcake can only go to one person.
If B receives a cupcake, the other three cupcakes can go to:
(a) Only A, C, and D (b) Only A, C, and F
(c) Only A, D, and F (d) Both b and c

102. A conference organizer needs to schedule talks on five topics – Technology, Business, Health, Art, and Innovation – in accordance with the following conditions:
1. All topics must be scheduled at least once a day.
 2. Business must be scheduled immediately after Technology on any day.
 3. Health cannot be the first or last topic scheduled on any day.
 4. Innovation cannot be immediately followed by Art. Art cannot be immediately followed by Innovation.

If Technology is the first topic scheduled on a given day, which of these is a possible order of Health for that day?

- (a) 1 (b) 5
(c) 3 (d) 4

103. A chef must plan meals involving five different cuisines – Italian, Mexican, Indian, Chinese, and French – over a 7-day week (Monday through Sunday) while adhering to the following conditions:

1. Italian can be cooked on Monday or Wednesday.
2. Chinese must be cooked the day immediately after or before Indian is cooked.
3. French cannot be cooked on Friday.
4. At least two of the five cuisines must be cooked twice during the week.
5. Only one cuisine can be cooked each day.
6. No cuisine can be cooked on two consecutive days.

If Mexican is cooked on Monday and French is cooked on Thursday, which of the following is a possible order of cuisines for the week?

- (a) Mexican (Monday), Italian (Tuesday), Indian (Wednesday), French (Thursday), Italian (Friday), Chinese (Saturday), Indian (Sunday)
(b) Mexican (Monday), Chinese (Tuesday), Indian (Wednesday), French (Thursday), Italian (Friday), Chinese (Saturday), Italian (Sunday)
(c) Mexican (Monday), Italian (Tuesday), Chinese (Wednesday), French (Thursday), Indian (Friday), Italian (Saturday), Chinese (Sunday)
(d) Mexican (Monday), French (Tuesday), Italian (Wednesday), French (Thursday), Indian (Friday), Chinese (Saturday), Indian (Sunday)

104. Seven different plants (Rose, Tulip, Daisy, Orchid, Sunflower, Lily, and Violet) need to be planted in pots labeled from 1 (closest to the entrance) to 7 (farthest from the entrance). Each plant can only be placed in one pot, and each pot can only hold one plant. The arrangement is to be done in accordance with the following conditions:
1. The Rose must be placed in a pot before Lily and Tulip after Lily.
 2. The Daisy is exactly one pot closer to the entrance than the Orchid.
 3. The Sunflower must be in Pot 1
 4. The Lily is in Pot 4.
- Which of the following is a possible arrangement of the plants from Pot 1 to Pot 7?
- (a) Sunflower, Rose, Violet, Lily, Daisy, Tulip, Orchid
 - (b) Daisy, Violet, Rose, Lily, Tulip, Orchid, Sunflower
 - (c) Rose, Tulip, Daisy, Lily, Orchid, Violet, Sunflower
 - (d) Sunflower, Daisy, Tulip, Lily, Orchid, Violet, Rose
105. Six friends - A, B, C, D, E, and F - are sitting in a straight line facing north. The seating arrangement must follow these conditions:
1. A sit next to D.
 2. C must sit to the immediate left of B.
 3. E can sit anywhere to the left of A.
 4. F cannot sit at either end of the line.
- If B sits in the third position from the left, who sits in the first position?
- (a) A
 - (b) D
 - (c) E
 - (d) F
106. Melissa must arrange five different activities - P, Q, R, S, and T - over a 5-day retreat, with each activity being conducted on only one day, in accordance with the following conditions: www.lawpreptutorial.com
1. R and S must not be scheduled on adjacent days.
 2. Q must immediately follow T.
 3. The first day must either be P or S.
 4. The last day cannot be R.
- If Q is the midpoint of the retreat schedule, who can be on the last day in the arrangement?
- (a) T
 - (b) S
 - (c) R
 - (d) P
107. Look at this series: 90, 20, 80, 25, 70, ... What number should come next?
- (a) 20
 - (b) 30
 - (c) 35
 - (d) 45

108. Look at this series: 3, 9, 27, 81, ... What number should come next?
(a) 162 (b) 243
(c) 324 (d) 405
109. Look at this series: 5, 11, 23, 47, ... What number should come next?
(a) 95 (b) 65
(c) 89 (d) 94
110. Look at this series: 4, -8, 16, -32, ... What number should come next?
(a) 48 (b) -96
(c) -64 (d) 64
111. Mr. M is the father of Mr. N. Mr. O is the son of Mr. N. Ms. P is the daughter of Mr. M. How is Ms. P related to Mr. O?
(a) Mother (b) Aunt
(c) Sister (d) Cousin
112. "During the family gathering, it was noted that Henry was the middle brother among three siblings: Sam, Henry, and Lisa. Henry's mother, Evelyn, had only these three children." Which of the following statements is true?
(a) Henry's youngest sibling is Lisa. (b) Sam is Henry's sister.
(c) Evelyn had more sons than daughters. (d) Lisa is the oldest or youngest sibling.
113. While looking at a photograph, Meena points to a girl and says, "She is the daughter of the only daughter of my father." How is Meena related to the girl in the photograph?
(a) Aunt (b) Sister
(c) Mother (d) Cousin
114. Rajesh points to a man in a photograph and says, "His brother's father is the only son of my grandfather." How is Rajesh related to the man in the photograph?
(a) Brother (b) Cousin
(c) Uncle (d) Father
115. At a family reunion, Varun points towards a lady and says, "Her mother is the only sister of my father." How is Varun related to the lady?
(a) Sister (b) Niece
(c) Cousin (d) Second Cousin once removed

116. Honestly, modern technology can be quite confusing for me as well. Thankfully, my grandchildren love teaching me, showing me the ropes of everything digital. However, research indicates this assistance might not be as advantageous as we assume. Struggling with new and perplexing tasks stimulates the older brain in unique ways. A recent study from the University of California involving over 300 senior citizens discovered that those who interacted with technology exhibited improved cognitive abilities and memory compared to their non-engaging counterparts.

Which of the following is an underlying assumption behind the author's perspective about the benefits of elderly adults struggling with technology?

- (a) Elderly individuals inherently possess the ability to learn new skills regardless of the complexity.
- (b) Cognitive engagement in challenging tasks correlates with improved mental health in the elderly.
- (c) Dependence on assistance for technology use can hinder the cognitive development of older adults.
- (d) The ability to use modern technology is a crucial factor for the social inclusion of elderly adults.

117. Existentialism has become a prevalent topic in modern philosophy, especially in the context of aging. Many philosophers argue that as people grow older, they grapple with the meaning of their existence and mortality. This introspection can lead to a deeper understanding of oneself but can also result in existential crises. Addressing these philosophical concerns requires sensitivity and support, as elderly individuals may find it challenging to articulate their thoughts and feelings about life's purpose and their legacy.

Which of the following is an underlying assumption behind the author's perspective about the elderly's existential introspection?

- (a) The elderly are inherently philosophical by nature.
- (b) Younger individuals do not face similar existential questions.
- (c) Mortality becomes a more pressing concern as people age.
- (d) The meaning of life is a universally unresolved question.

118. The Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs has called for suggestions on the draft 'Central Excise Bill, 2024', which aims to modernize central excise law by emphasizing ease of doing business and repealing outdated provisions. This bill is designed to eliminate redundant provisions made obsolete by the introduction of the Goods and Services Tax (GST). Industry experts note that the bill aims to align excise duty provisions with GST legislation, addressing long-standing demands from industry stakeholders.

Which of the following is an implicit assumption underlying the Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs' proposal of the Central Excise Bill, 2024?

- (a) Modernizing tax legislation is seen as essential to harmonize with contemporary business practices.
 - (b) Redundant provisions in the current excise law are perceived to impede operational efficiency.
 - (c) Aligning excise duties with GST provisions will meet industry demands for streamlined tax policies.
 - (d) Industry stakeholders are presumed to prefer outdated excise provisions despite new tax reforms.
119. Multiculturalism, as a concept, embraces the coexistence of diverse cultural groups within a society. It recognizes and values the richness and contributions of different cultural backgrounds. Art, with its ability to transcend language and communicate universal emotions, plays a significant role in understanding and appreciating multiculturalism. While artists bring unique insights into the lives, struggles, and accomplishments of various cultural communities via their artistic expression, paintings, sculptures, photographs, and other forms of visual art depict scenes, symbols, and stories that represent the multicultural fabric of a society (Al-Zadjali, 2017). By interacting with these artworks, viewers get insights into the various worldviews, cultures, and identities that form multicultural society.

Which one of the following conclusions can be properly inferred from the passage?

- I. Art serves as a medium that not only highlights cultural differences but also bridges gaps between diverse communities.
- II. The appreciation of art from different cultures is essential for fostering a multicultural society.
- III. Without artistic expression, understanding the complexities of a multicultural society would be challenging.

Choose the most appropriate answer.

- (a) Only I
- (b) Only II
- (c) I and III
- (d) II and III

120. The World Bank has historically been involved in balancing economic and political considerations in its operations. While the institution's guidelines originally intended to maintain a clear separation between these spheres, in practice, this division has proven difficult to sustain. The complexity arises because political factors, such as human rights and governance issues, inevitably influence economic decisions. Despite attempts to uphold an economic focus, the realities of global politics continually challenge this separation.

Which of the following conclusions can be properly inferred from the passage?

- I. The World Bank's guidelines do not always effectively separate economic and political factors.
- II. Political considerations often undermine the economic objectives of the World Bank.
- III. Efforts to maintain a purely economic focus are unrealistic due to inherent political influences.

Choose the most appropriate answer.

- (a) Only I
- (b) Only II
- (c) Only I and III
- (d) Only II and III

121. **Statements:** Companies with a diverse workforce tend to be more innovative. Diversity in the workplace brings together different perspectives and ideas, which fosters creativity and problem-solving.

Conclusions:

- I. Companies that are not innovative do not have a diverse workforce.
- II. Diverse perspectives and ideas are essential for a company's innovation.

Which of the following conclusions can be properly inferred? Choose the most appropriate answer.

- (a) Only I follows
- (b) Only II follows
- (c) Both I and II follow
- (d) Neither I nor II follows

122. People are tired. Like, really tired. As evidenced by recent trends such as Quiet Quitting, Coffee Badging, Bare Minimum Mondays, and most of all, The Great Resignation—when over 47 million Americans voluntarily resigned from their positions—people are feeling a strain on more than just their work calendars; they're feeling it on their spirits. We're now in the era of "The Great Exhaustion," a time when people are looking to reestablish their relationship with work in order to reduce their pervasive sense of drain.

Which of the following conclusions can be properly inferred from the passage?

- I. The current workforce is prioritizing mental health and well-being over traditional career advancement.
- II. The phenomenon of "The Great Resignation" is primarily driven by employees' desire to find more fulfilling work environments.
- III. There is a widespread acknowledgment that work-life balance is critical to preventing burnout.

Choose the most appropriate answer.

- (a) Only I
- (b) Only II
- (c) Both I and III
- (d) I, II, and III

123. With the oath-taking ceremony of Modi 3.0, one can sense the maturing of our democracy. The last decade of the Modi-led government saw institutional and economic development and a culture of inclusive governance — sabka saath sabka vikas sabka vishwas. With his focus on GYAN (Garib, Yuva, Annadata, Nari Shakti), PM Modi showed that he is the flagbearer of growth, youth development, gender equality and nation-building.

Which of the following conclusions can be properly inferred from the passage?

- (a) The current government has prioritized the welfare of all segments of society, reflecting its inclusive approach.
- (b) Modi's tenure has resulted in significant economic instability and institutional breakdowns.
- (c) The focus on youth and women's empowerment has not been a priority for the current government.
- (d) Democracy in India has shown signs of decline under the current administration.

124. The legal realm has typically been known for its reliance on manual procedures, paper-based records, and in-person court appearances. It was characterized by a combination of common law inherited from the British colonial era and traditional legal customs rooted in India's diverse cultural and regional heritage. However, with the advent of digitalization, India's legal practices and proceedings are transformed to enhance governance and service delivery. Which of the following is an underlying assumption behind the transformation of India's legal practices due to digitalization?
- (a) Digitalization is fundamental for improving the modernization and operational efficiency of legal practices.
 - (b) Traditional legal customs and manual procedures are insufficient to address current governance challenges.
 - (c) The integration of common law with traditional customs is inadequate for supporting contemporary legal needs.
 - (d) Technological advancements are indispensable for achieving enhanced governance and service delivery in the legal realm.
125. Investing in renewable energy, despite higher initial costs, can lead to significant long-term savings and environmental benefits. Renewable energy sources, such as solar and wind, are sustainable and reduce carbon emissions, though they require technological advancements for better efficiency and storage.
- Which of the following, if true, would most support the claim that investing in renewable energy projects is beneficial despite the higher initial costs?
- (a) The cost of fossil fuel-based energy systems is expected to rise significantly in the near future.
 - (b) Renewable energy projects can be completed more quickly than fossil fuel-based projects.
 - (c) Renewable energy sources are less affected by geopolitical tensions compared to fossil fuels.
 - (d) The maintenance costs of renewable energy infrastructure are lower than those of traditional energy systems.

126. The United States (US)-China trade war has escalated from the US banning Chinese apps to targeting domestic companies having close ties with the Chinese government. Recent anti-China legislation under the Biden administration indicates increasing economic hostility to counter Chinese trade practices on the grounds of a threat to US national security.

Which of the following, if true, would most undermine the argument that recent anti-China legislation under the Biden administration is primarily driven by national security concerns?

- (a) Studies have revealed that other countries with similar trade practices have not been subjected to such stringent measures by the US.
 - (b) Independent analysts have shown that the economic impacts of the legislation disproportionately benefit specific US industries.
 - (c) Previous administrations also passed similar legislation but framed it primarily as economic competition rather than national security.
 - (d) US companies affected by the legislation have significantly increased their lobbying efforts to counter Chinese competition.
127. An innovative mindset ignites the spark of entrepreneurship and leads to an enterprising generation. Engaging in entrepreneurship within the realm of Metaverse, which is a simulation of the physical world in the virtual space, holds tremendous potential. The Metaverse realm is an aggregation of online gaming, virtual reality (VR), augmented reality (AR), and social media channels. As students immerse themselves in this area, they not only navigate digital environments but also have the chance to apply entrepreneurial skills and unleash their creativity. Students need to be aware of the diverse and novel opportunities available in this world.
- Which of the following is an implicit assumption behind the author's perspective on the potential of entrepreneurship within the Metaverse?
- (a) Students will inherently find value in digital simulations over real-world experiences.
 - (b) The skills developed in virtual realms are transferable to entrepreneurial ventures.
 - (c) Educational institutions are likely to integrate Metaverse technologies into curricula.
 - (d) The Metaverse offers entrepreneurial opportunities not present in traditional settings.

128. The Minister for Law and Justice has just announced a National Litigation Policy. He said it is aimed at “transforming the government into an efficient and responsible government”. The policy, he is reported to have said, is intended to reduce high legal costs and decrease the number of cases in which the government is a party as well as the load on the courts. At the same time, the Home Minister has said that three new criminal laws will be brought into force with effect from July 1, 2024.

Which of the following is/are most appropriate conclusion(s) of the above passage?

- I. The government aims to improve its efficiency and accountability through the National Litigation Policy. www.lawpreptutorial.com
- II. The introduction of new criminal laws may impact the court system and legal proceedings.
- III. Reducing the number of government-related cases will significantly lessen the overall load on the courts.
- IV. The National Litigation Policy focuses solely on reducing legal costs for the government.

Choose the most appropriate answer.

- (a) Only I
- (b) Both I and II
- (c) Only II
- (d) None of the above

129. Scientists have designed a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scanner that costs a fraction of existing machines, setting the stage for improving access to this widely used diagnostic tool. A MRI helps visualise minute details in the human body, with which doctors can diagnose disorders and select treatments for the brain, the heart, various cancers, and orthopaedic conditions.

The new affordable MRI scanner is expected to improve accessibility to MRI diagnostics. If healthcare facilities in underprivileged areas adopt this new technology, which of the following outcomes is most likely to occur?

- (a) The quality of healthcare in underprivileged areas will significantly improve, leading to better patient outcomes.
- (b) The disparity in access to advanced diagnostic tools between urban and rural areas will widen.
- (c) The cost savings from using the new MRI scanners will be offset by increased maintenance and operational costs.
- (d) The new MRI technology will result in a decreased demand for other forms of diagnostic imaging.

130. A recent study by marine biologists specializing in deep-sea habitats has shed new light on the mysterious phenomenon of bioluminescence. Their research reveals that at least 94 different organisms possess the ability to produce their own light through internal chemical reactions. Despite its widespread occurrence, the origins and original function of bioluminescence remain unknown.

Given the study by marine biologists on bioluminescence in deep-sea organisms, which of the following, if true, would most strengthen the argument that bioluminescence evolved due to environmental pressures?

- (a) Bioluminescent organisms are found in various deep-sea environments with differing ecological conditions.
- (b) Non-bioluminescent organisms in the deep sea exhibit other unique adaptations for survival.
- (c) The majority of bioluminescent organisms also possess other forms of camouflage or defense mechanisms.
- (d) Fossil records show a significant increase in bioluminescent organisms following major environmental changes.

131. As the Indian economy grapples with the problem of flagging consumption, policymakers in the government are in favour of rationalising the existing income tax structure, especially at lower income levels. It is likely that tax rate cuts for those earning less may likely take precedence over freebies or excessive welfare spending given the focus on fiscal consolidation. The tax cuts may be a more efficient measure to enhance disposable income, which in turn would result in higher consumption, and give a fillip to economic activities, the officials said.

Policymakers in the government are considering rationalizing the income tax structure at lower income levels to enhance disposable income and stimulate economic activities. Which of the following, if true, would be an argument in favor of this policy?

- (a) Surveys indicate that a significant portion of the population uses additional disposable income from tax cuts to pay off existing debts rather than on consumption.
- (b) Evidence shows that reducing income taxes increases overall spending in the economy, particularly among low-income earners who have a higher marginal propensity to consume.
- (c) Historical data suggests that previous tax cuts have led to increased savings rather than higher consumption among low-income earners.
- (d) Studies indicate that direct welfare spending has a more immediate and targeted impact on improving the living standards of the poorest sections of society compared to tax cuts.

132. Women with children all across the globe face the daunting task of balancing career growth with caregiving responsibilities, which often leads to career stagnation and perpetuates several gender gaps in accessing decent jobs. Globally women spend between two-10 times more on these activities, compared to men. Across G20 countries, without exception, women on average perform the majority of the daily time spent on unpaid care work, ranging from 90.5% in India to 60.2 per cent in Canada.

Which of the following, if true, would weaken the argument that women's career stagnation is primarily due to caregiving responsibilities?

- (a) Studies show that women who have access to flexible working hours and remote work options experience significantly less career stagnation.
 - (b) Research indicates that sectors dominated by women offer fewer opportunities for career advancement compared to male-dominated sectors.
 - (c) Both (a) and (b)
 - (d) Neither (a) nor (b)
133. In an era where information is readily accessible, the role of journalism has become increasingly complex. Journalists are expected not only to report facts but also to analyze and interpret events in ways that are both informative and engaging. This dual responsibility often leads to a delicate balance between objective reporting and subjective commentary. The pressure to attract readers and viewers can sometimes result in sensationalism, where news stories are exaggerated or distorted to create a more compelling narrative. Consequently, the public's trust in journalism can be undermined when the line between fact and opinion becomes blurred.
- The author most likely agrees with which of the following statements?
- (a) Journalism's primary role is to provide entertainment rather than information.
 - (b) The pressure to attract audiences can compromise journalistic integrity.
 - (c) The increasing accessibility of information has simplified the role of journalists.
 - (d) Objective reporting is less important than providing subjective commentary.

134. Underwater archaeologists in China have recovered more than 900 artifacts from two merchant vessels that sank to the bottom of the South China Sea during the Ming dynasty. The ships are located roughly a mile below the surface some 93 miles southeast of the island of Hainan, reports the South China Morning Post's Kamun Lai. They are situated about 14 miles apart from one another. During three phases over the past year, researchers hauled up 890 objects from the first vessel, including copper coins, pottery and porcelain, according to a statement from China's National Cultural Heritage Administration (NCHA).

Which of the following inferences can be drawn from the passage about the significance of the recovered artifacts from the Ming dynasty vessels?

- (a) The artifacts provide significant insight into the trade practices of the Ming dynasty in the South China Sea region.
 - (b) The discovery of the artifacts was a collaborative effort between multiple international archaeological teams.
 - (c) The proximity of the two vessels suggests they were part of the same fleet that encountered a catastrophic event.
 - (d) The primary value of the artifacts lies in their potential to enhance China's cultural heritage tourism.
135. Indian theatre, with its rich heritage and diverse regional forms, has grappled with the challenge of portraying LGBTQ stories on stage. Despite some notable exceptions, these narratives have largely remained on the fringes, struggling to find mainstream acceptance and recognition. But, what are the factors that have contributed to the marginalisation of LGBTQ narratives in Indian theatre? And how can we pave the path forward for greater inclusivity and representation?
- What course of action would most effectively address the marginalization of LGBTQ narratives in Indian theatre?
- (a) Implementing government policies that mandate a certain percentage of LGBTQ content in theatre productions.
 - (b) Increasing funding and grants specifically for productions that focus on LGBTQ stories.
 - (c) Encouraging collaborations between mainstream theatre groups and LGBTQ-focused theatre troupes.
 - (d) Establishing separate theatre festivals exclusively for LGBTQ narratives to avoid mainstream bias.

136. **Principle:** In case of a breach of contract, compensation can be awarded for the personal inconvenience suffered by a party by reason of the breach, which naturally arose in the usual course of things from such breach, or which the parties knew, when they made the contract, to be likely to result from the breach of it.

Facts: After a series of negotiations, Ms. Lewis and Deluxe Events LLC agreed that Deluxe would organize a lavish garden wedding for her at a specific venue with meticulous arrangements, including floral decorations imported from Italy, a renowned band, and catering by a celebrity chef. Three days before the event, Ms. Lewis was informed by Deluxe that due to unforeseen circumstances, the Italian flowers would not arrive in time, and substitutions from local vendors would be used. Additionally, the celebrity chef had to cancel, and a less renowned chef would cater the event. These changes significantly diminished the wedding's anticipated extravagance and elegance, causing Ms. Lewis considerable distress. Did the changes in the wedding arrangements constitute a breach of contract for which Ms. Lewis could claim compensation for personal inconvenience?

- (a) Yes, because Ms. Lewis can prove that the substitutions had a financial impact on the wedding's cost.
- (b) No, because Deluxe Events made reasonable efforts to find suitable substitutions for the flowers and chef.
- (c) Yes, because the specific arrangements were critical to the contract and their alteration led to Ms. Lewis's personal inconvenience.
- (d) No, because unforeseen circumstances that prevent specific performance of a contract relieve the party of liability.

137. **Principle:** The occupier of a premise owes a duty of care to all his invitees and visitors.

Facts: Mr. Douglas, who operates a small bookstore, was hosting a book signing event. He had put up several signs warning of a step inside the entrance that was known to be a tripping hazard. Despite the warnings, a visitor tripped over the step and was injured. The visitor argues that Mr. Douglas failed in his duty of care. Is Mr. Douglas liable for the visitor's injury?

- (a) Yes, because as the occupier, he is responsible for any injuries on his premises.
- (b) No, because he took reasonable steps to warn visitors of the potential hazard.
- (c) Yes, because the injury occurred on his property despite visitor's negligence.
- (d) No, because the signage about the step met legal safety standards.

138. **Principle:** A man would be responsible for all direct consequences of his act, in so far as he could reasonably foresee them as arising from his act.
Facts: While driving through a crowded marketplace, Mr. Johnson accidentally stepped on the accelerator instead of the brake, causing his car to surge forward into a stall, which then toppled onto a nearby lamp post. The impact caused the lamp post to fall, smashing through the roof of a small cafe, injuring several patrons inside. Mr. Johnson claims that while he acknowledges his mistake in hitting the accelerator, the resultant damages were too remote, and he could not have foreseen the lamp post falling and causing injuries. Is Mr. Johnson liable for the injuries to the patrons in the cafe?
- (a) Yes, because he was negligent in controlling his vehicle which led to the injuries.
 - (b) No, because it was not reasonably foreseeable that driving into a stall would cause a lamp post to fall and injure people in a cafe.
 - (c) Yes, because the direct consequence of his act of driving into the stall led to the injuries.
 - (d) No, because Mr. Johnson had no intention of causing any harm.
139. **Principle:** Attempt is an act done with an intent to commit a crime, and forming part of the series of acts which would constitute the actual commission of the crime, if not interrupted.
Facts: Mr. Collins, with the intention to rob a bank, gathered masks, firearms, and the floor plan of the local bank. He and his accomplices rehearsed the planned robbery in a secluded warehouse. On the day of the planned robbery, they drove to the bank, but before they could exit the vehicle and enter the bank, the police, tipped off by an informant, arrested them all. Is Mr. Collins liable for an attempt to rob the bank?
- (a) Yes, because he had taken substantial steps towards committing the crime which were interrupted.
 - (b) Yes, because he had possession of robbery tools at his home.
 - (c) No, because no actual robbery took place.
 - (d) No, because he was arrested before entering the bank.

Consider the following principles and respond to the Q. 140-142.

Principles:

- I. Any law made by the Parliament that infringes the fundamental rights of the citizens is invalid and unenforceable.
- II. Freedom to carry on trade or profession of one's own choice is a fundamental right.
- III. The Parliament is competent to impose reasonable restrictions on the exercise of this right.
- IV. If the restrictions, on fundamental rights imposed by the Parliament, totally removes or nullifies any fundamental right then it will be construed as an unreasonable restriction.

140. **Facts:** Parliament passes a law stating that all social media posts must be pre-approved by a government agency to combat misinformation. This law was introduced after several instances of widespread panic caused by false reports spread through social media. Critics argue that this law restricts freedom of expression and have filed a lawsuit challenging its constitutionality. Is the law requiring pre-approval of social media posts enforceable?
- (a) No, because it infringes on the fundamental right of freedom of expression.
 - (b) Yes, because it aims to combat misinformation effectively.
 - (c) Yes, because the government has a responsibility to maintain public order.
 - (d) No, because the critics have protested against it.
141. **Facts:** The Parliament passes a law that restricts individuals from practicing homeopathy without a certification from a government-recognized institution, citing health risks associated with unqualified practitioners. This law has been contested in court by a group of homeopathic practitioners who argue that it unduly restricts their professional freedom. Is the law restricting the practice of homeopathy without certification enforceable?
- (a) Yes, because it imposes a reasonable restriction to protect public health.
 - (b) No, because it infringes the fundamental right to practice a profession of one's choice.
 - (c) Yes, because the government has an interest in ensuring medical practices are safe.
 - (d) No, because many practitioners have contested it.
142. **Facts:** In response to a severe economic downturn, the Parliament enacts a law that bans all street vending, arguing that it congests public spaces and affects the aesthetic and environmental standards of urban areas. Street vendors argue that this law completely nullifies their ability to earn a living. Is the law banning all street vending enforceable?
- (a) Yes, because it aims to reduce congestion in public spaces.
 - (b) No, because it totally removes the vendors' ability to earn a livelihood.
 - (c) Yes, because the government has the right to control public spaces.
 - (d) No, because the street vendors have protested against it.

143. **Principle:** Where the parents of a minor child due to their negligence allow the child an opportunity to commit a tort, the parents are liable.
- Facts:** The 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Peterson, without their knowledge, took their car and accidentally damaged a neighbor's fence. The parents had hidden the car keys, but the son found them. The neighbors demand compensation from the Petersons for the damage. Are Mr. and Mrs. Peterson liable for the damage caused by their son?
- (a) Yes, because they are his parents and he is a minor.
 - (b) No, because the son acted independently without their permission.
 - (c) Yes, because the car belongs to them.
 - (d) No, because they had taken reasonable steps to secure the car by hiding the keys.
144. **Principle:** When at the desire of the promisor, the promisee had done or abstained from doing, or does or abstains from doing, or promises to do or abstain from something, such an act or abstinence or promise is called consideration for the promise.
- Facts:** Ms. Johnson agreed to sell her car to Mr. Smith for \$10,000. Mr. Smith, at Ms. Johnson's request, promised not to sell his motorcycle until she delivered the car to ensure he had sufficient funds to complete the purchase. Ms. Johnson later decided not to sell the car and Mr. Smith sued for breach of contract, claiming he had kept his motorcycle unsold as consideration for her promise. Is Mr. Smith's action of not selling his motorcycle considered valid consideration for Ms. Johnson's promise to sell her car? www.lawpreptutorial.com
- (a) Yes, because he acted upon promisor's request, which is a valid form of consideration.
 - (b) Yes, because abstaining from selling property automatically creates a binding contract.
 - (c) No, because the promise did not involve any financial exchange or creation of an asset.
 - (d) No, because not selling a motorcycle does not constitute a legal detriment or benefit.

145. **Principle:** Nothing is an offence which is done by any person who is, or who by reason of mistake of fact, in good faith, believes himself to be bound by law to do it.
Facts: Ms. Harper, under the mistaken belief that her neighbour was about to set her house on fire, called the police and falsely reported that the neighbour was armed and dangerous. The neighbour was detained but later released after clarifications. The neighbour sues Ms. Harper for wrongful detention. Is Ms. Harper liable for the wrongful detention of her neighbour?
- (a) No, because her actions were based on a misunderstanding, not a deliberate intent to deceive.
 - (b) Yes, because she acted on her belief without verifying the facts.
 - (c) Yes, because her actions led to the wrongful detention.
 - (d) No, because she panicked and acted instinctively.
146. **Principles:**
1. An unlawful intrusion which interferes with one's person or property constitutes trespass.
 2. An easement is the right to use another person's land for a stated purpose and has been in use for quite some time. It can involve a general or specific portion of the property.
 3. A voluntary dedication of right by 'X' to the public for passing or re-passing over a surface of certain land is not a right of easement.
- Facts:** Rachel and Samuel are neighbours. For over twenty years, Rachel has allowed Samuel to use a path on her land to access a nearby river. Recently, Rachel decided to build a fence that blocks Samuel's access to the path. Samuel protests, claiming he has an easement to use the path. Rachel argues that she never formally granted an easement and only allowed Samuel to use the path out of neighbourly kindness. Does Samuel have an easement to use the path on Rachel's land?
- (a) Yes, because an easement can be established by long-term use.
 - (b) No, because Rachel never formally granted an easement.
 - (c) Yes, because any use of another's property can establish an easement.
 - (d) No, because the path does not significantly affect Samuel's property and voluntary dedication of property does not create right of an easement.

Consider the following scenario and respond to the Q. 147-150.

Consider a society where individuals are categorized based on their educational background into two distinct groups: Scholars and Craftsmen. Scholars are those who have attained higher education degrees and primarily work in sectors like academia, healthcare, and law, while Craftsmen are skilled workers in trades such as construction, manufacturing, and artisan crafts. In this society, Scholars are perceived as more influential and hold positions of authority in governmental and corporate structures due to the high value placed on formal education. They influence public policy and economic strategies, often shaping the societal view that formal education correlates directly with intellectual ability and leadership potential. Craftsmen, despite possessing essential practical skills that sustain the economy's foundational sectors, face societal biases that limit their representation in decision-making processes. This division leads to policies that disproportionately favor the Scholars, such as higher investment in technology and professional sectors, with less emphasis on vocational training and infrastructure that would benefit the Craftsmen. Socially and economically, this division is costly. It fosters a disconnect between theory and practice, where Scholars devise policies that may lack practical applicability and ignore the hands-on expertise of the Craftsmen. This results in inefficiencies and missed opportunities for innovation that could arise from more integrated collaboration across these educational divides. Over time, the Craftsmen, feeling marginalized, have increasingly organized into unions and guilds to protect their interests and promote the importance of practical skills. They advocate for educational reforms that recognize and elevate vocational training and seek greater influence in policymaking to ensure a balanced development that respects and integrates all forms of knowledge.

147. Which of the following observations is incorrect about the societal influence of Scholars and Craftsmen?
- (a) Scholars, because of their educational background, have greater influence in policymaking compared to Craftsmen.
 - (b) Both groups are equally represented in governmental and corporate decision-making bodies.
 - (c) Craftsmen, being in roles that require practical skills, are often sidelined in discussions on economic policies.
 - (d) Craftsmen organize into unions to advocate for more recognition and representation in policy decisions.

148. Which of the following is incorrect regarding the economic impact of the educational divide between Scholars and Craftsmen?
- (a) The division leads to policies that benefit Scholars more than Craftsmen.
 - (b) Investment in technology and professional sectors is prioritized over vocational training.
 - (c) The societal division fosters economic inefficiencies due to a lack of practical applicability of policies devised by Scholars.
 - (d) Both groups benefit equally from the current policy setup.
149. Assuming that vocational training reforms are implemented, which of the following observations would be incorrect?
- (a) Such reforms would likely increase the influence of Craftsmen in policymaking.
 - (b) Educational reforms recognizing vocational skills would reduce societal biases against Craftsmen.
 - (c) Vocational training reforms would have no significant impact on the representation of Craftsmen in decision-making processes. www.lawpreptutorial.com
 - (d) Recognizing vocational training can lead to a more balanced development that integrates all forms of knowledge.
150. If the Craftsmen's unions successfully influence policy changes, which of the following is an incorrect observation?
- (a) Craftsmen would gain more representation in decision-making processes.
 - (b) The influence of Scholars on economic strategies would diminish significantly.
 - (c) Policy changes could lead to a decrease in the societal biases faced by Craftsmen.
 - (d) Successful advocacy by the unions would lead to no significant change in the public policy favouring Scholars.

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