

W.B.C.S EXECUTIVE EXAMINATION, 2008

PRELIMINARY

Time: 2 hours 30 minutes

Marks: 200

Direction for Question Nos. 1 to 3

Choose the word from the list which is nearest in meaning to the underlined parts of the sentences:

1. He pierced the balloon with a pin.
(A) Stabbed (B) Pricked
(C) Penetrated (D) Burst
2. The mother hummed softly as she rocked the baby to sleep.
(A) Chanted (B) Crooned
(C) Intoned (D) Whispered
3. His letter fuelled my doubts.
(A) Ended (B) Increased
(C) Caused (D) Reaffirmed

Direction for Question Nos. 4 to 7

Choose the correct alternative from the options to fill in the blanks:

4. 'To come to the fore' means to become _____.
(A) prominent (B) aggressive
(C) weak (D) aware
5. 'On one's toes' signifies _____.
(A) concentration (B) courtesy
(C) punctuality (D) alertness
6. 'To make headway' is to _____.
(A) make progress (B) make little progress
(C) to progress towards collision (D) to proceed to travel
7. 'Waiting with bated breath' is to
(A) Feel very excited
(B) Feel breathlessness
(C) Waiting for the dentist with the complaint of bad breath
(D) Waiting to take revenge

8. Replace the underlined words with the most appropriate phrasal verbs:
After a promising start his career soon came to an end in a disappointing way.
- (A) Roughed out (B) Fizzled out
(C) Flaked out (D) Rounded off
9. Choose the correct meaning of the underlined portion:
She has been sitting on the books taken from the library for a month.
- (A) Doing nothing with the books
(B) Reading the books carefully
(D) Reading the books slowly
(C) Keeping the books as a mark of protest

Direction for Question Nos. 10 to 12

Select the pair among the following which is set in opposition:

10. (A) Gay : Animated (B) Full : Replete
(C) Surmise : Fact (D) Generation : Age
11. (A) Wanton : Restrained (B) Sardonic : Bitter
(C) Bright : Refulgent (D) Fetch: Bring
12. (A) Macabre : Earic (B) Abortive : Successful
(C) Secret : Covert (D) Mock : Rally

Direction for Question Nos. 13 and 14

Fill in the blanks with the correct word to make the idioms complete or meaningful:

13. The young politician's speech was full of blood and _____.
(A) Sweat (B) Blade
(C) Dagger (D) Thunder
14. He held out an olive branch to his _____.
(A) Enemy (B) Friend
(C) Pet (D) Forefathers

Direction for Question Nos. 15 and 16

Choose the right word from the alternatives to complete each sentence and give it an idiomatic turn:

15. To be very bust is to be as busy as a
(A) Squirrel (B) Bee
(C) Duck (D) Mouse

16. Someone having a weak memory is said to have a mind/memory like a
(A) Sieve (B) Soap
(C) Screw (D) Stream

Direction for Question Nos. 17 and 20

Choose the alternative from the options given:

17. A market where old and used goods are sold is called a
(A) Grey market (B) Share market
(C) Black market (D) Flea market
18. An interpreter is involved with the task of
(A) Inscription (B) Transcription
(C) Translation (D) Transformation
19. One who moves from one place to go to live or work in another is called a migrant. But a vagrant is a person
(A) without a valid passport
(B) who goes to live in exile
(C) without a settled home or regular work
(D) who asks for political asylum
20. A homophone for the word 'whole' will be
(A) Hole (B) Roll
(C) Wholesome (D) Whale
21. Fill in the blanks choosing the right word/alternative:
A barer shaves; a gardener
(A) Binds (B) Reaps
(C) Gleans (D) Prunes

Direction for Question Nos. 22 to 25

Choose the right alternative:

22. A soporific speech would tend to
(A) Put one to sleep (B) Stimulate action
(C) Appeal primarily to emotions (D) Be incomprehensible
23. The idiosyncrasies of a professor must not include
(A) Eccentricities (B) Flaws
(C) Oddities (D) Typicalities
24. In a Hobson's choice situation one
(A) must accept what is offered as there is no alternative

- (B) can freely choose from many alternatives
 - (C) must choose only in consolation with other members of the group he/she belongs to
 - (D) can do any of the above
25. A fly-by-night company
- (A) Operates only at night
 - (B) Sends cargo by plane only
 - (C) is interested only in making quick profits
 - (D) Operates from no fixed place
26. Who was the Viceroy of India at the time of the formation of the Indian National Congress?
- (A) Curzon
 - (B) Canning
 - (C) Lawrence
 - (D) Dufferin
27. The East India Company secured the Diwani from
- (A) Suja-ud-Daulah
 - (B) Aurangzeb
 - (C) Bahadur Shah I
 - (D) Shah Alam II
28. Who wrote 'Ramcharita' ?
- (A) Banabhatta
 - (B) Kalidasa
 - (C) Sandhyakara Nandi
 - (D) Tutsi Das
29. Who was defeated at Kanauj in the hands of Sher Shah in 1540?
- (A) Babur
 - (B) Akbar
 - (C) Humayun
 - (D) Jahangir
30. Who was the Governor General of India at the time of the Sepoy Mutiny ?
- (A) Lord Hastings
 - (B) Wellesley
 - (C) Dalhousie
 - (D) Canning
31. Amir Khasru was the Court Poet of
- (A) Balban
 - (B) Alauddin Kholji
 - (C) Ghiyasuddin Tughluq
 - (D) Akbar
32. The Vikramasila-Vihara was founded by
- (A) Mahipala I
 - (B) Devapala
 - (C) Surapala
 - (D) Dharmapala
33. The founder of the Bahamani kingdom was
- (A) Alauddin Mujahid Shah
 - (B) Ahmad Shah

(C) Alauddin Bahaman Shah (D) Tajuddin Firuj Shah

34. Chandra gupta Maurya defeated

- (A) Poros (B) Alexander
(C) Seleukas (D) Ambhi

35. Who was the last independent Nawab of Bengal ?

- (A) Siraj-ud-Daulah (B) Mir jafar
(C) MirKasim (D) Najm-ud-Daulah

36. Sidhu was associated with the

- (A) Sannyasi Rebellion (B) Kol Rebellion
(C) Munda Rebellion (D) Santhal Rebellion

37. Who among the following was not a moderate ?

- (A) Bipin Ch. Pal (B) Feroze Shah Mehta
(C) Surendra Nath Banerjee (D) Gopal Krishna Gokhale

38. The Rowlatt Act was passed in the year

- (A) 1916 (B) 1918
(C) 1919 (D) 1921

39. Who was the first Female President of the Indian National Congress?

- (A) Sucheta Kripalani (B) Sarojini Naidu
(C) Vijay Lakshmi Pandit (D) Indira Gandhi

40. The Academic Association was founded by

- (A) Rammohan Roy (B) Iswarchandra Vidyasagar
(C) Derozio (D) Iswarchandra Gupta

41. Who tried to organise revolt by Indian Sepoys and revolutionaries around 1913?

- (A) Baghajatin (B) Aurobindo Ghosh
(C) Rashbehari Bose (D) Sachindra Nath Sanyal

42. Who founded Gadar Party in America?

- (A) Tarak Nath Das (B) Hardayal
(C) Ramchandra (D) Kazi Qbeidullah

43. Who organised "Bhatachari" Movement ?

- (A) Gurusaday Dutta (B) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
(C) Dayananda Saraswati (D) Swami Vivekananda

44. Who is called “Frontier Gandhi”?
(A) Abdul Kalam Azad (B) Abdul Gaffar Khan
(C) Md. Ali Jinnah (D) Md. Iqbal
45. Who handed over the charge of Indian National Army to Netaji?
(A) Rashbehari Bose (B) Mohan Singh
(C) hardayal (D) Mahendra Pratap
46. The name of the ship where Royal Indian Navy revolt originated was
(A) Vikrant (B) Talwar
(C) INS Mysore (D) INS Vljay
47. The Indian National Congress adopted the resolution of ‘Poorna Swaraj’ in its session at
(A) Ahmedabad (B) Haripura
(C) Lahore (D) Lucknow
48. Sulapani was a famous artist of the
(A) Kushana Period (B) Gupta Period
(C) Pala Period (D) Sena Period
49. Who among the following was not involved in the conspiracy against Siraj-ud-Daulah?
(A) Mimikchand (B) Omichand
(C) Mohanlal (D) Clive
50. The Civil Service was brought into existence in Indian by
(A) Warren Hastings (B) Cornwallis
(C) Dalhousie (D) Ripon
51. Who accompanied Bhagat Singh to bomb at the Central Legislature in Delhi?
(A) Chandrasekhar Azad (B) Baghajatin
(C) Batukeswar Dutta (D) Paramchand
52. Who led the attack on European club at Pahattali in Chittagong ?
(A) Pritilata Waddadar (B) Surya Sen
(C) Ananta Singh (D) Loknath Bal
53. In which year did Indian National Congress pass resolution for Full Sjaraj ?
(A) 1930 (B) 1929
(C) 1921 (D) 1916

54. Who was the first Governor General of independent India ?
(A) Jawaharlal Nehru (B) Rajendra Prasad
(C) Raja Gopalachari (D) Lord Mountbatten
55. The Gurumukhi script was introduced by
(A) Guru Amardas (B) Guru Ramdas
(C) Guru Angad (D) Guru Nanak
56. Where did the Tebhaga Movement occur in 1946?
(A) Bihar (B) Punjab
(C) Gujarat (D) Bengal
57. Who was the Governor General when the first Anglo-Burmese was started ?
(A) George Barlow (B) Lord Hastings
(C) Lord Minto (D) Lord Amherst
58. The Calcutta University was founded in the year
(A) 1855 (B) 1856
(C) 1857 (D) 1858
59. Who was the Court poet of Samudra Gupta ?
(A) Asvaghosha (B) Nagarjuna
(C) Aryabhatta (D) Harishena
60. The Saka era was started by
(A) Bimbisara (B) Bindusara
(C) Asoka (D) Kanishka
61. Industrial Licensing, was finally abolished (with a few exceptions) in the
(A) Industrial Policy, 1970 (B) Industrial Policy, 1980
(C) Industrial Policy, 1991 (D) Industrial Policy, 1995
62. Bank Rate is the rate
(A) At which banks lend money to the depositors
(B) At which Reserve Bank of India lends money to Commercial Banks.
(C) The rate at which banks lend to the Industrial Financial Institutions
(D) None of the above
63. Finance Commission is
(A) An organisation to prepare annual budgets for the Government
(B) An organisation to find out financial resources for financing Five-Year Plans

- (C) A constitutional body appointed by the President every five years to review Centre-State financial relationship
(D) A permanent body to supervise centre-state financial relationship
64. Name of the journalist who wholeheartedly championed the cause of Indigo Movement was
(A) Sisir Kumar Ghosh (B) Harish Mukherjee
(C) Barindra Ghosh (D) Bipin Chandra Pal
65. Who wrote “Swadhinata hinatay ke bachitey chai” ?
(A) Dwijendralal Roy (B) Hemchandra Banerjee
(C) Nabin Chandra Sen (D) Rangalal Banerjee
66. Who said “For next fifty years let Mother India be the only god to be worshipped by Indians”?
(A) Sri Aurobindo Ghosh (B) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
(C) Aswini Kumar Dutta (D) Swami Vivekananda
67. Who founded “Indian Association” ?
(A) Surendra Nath .Banerjee (B) Bipin Chandra Pal
(C) Barindra Ghosh (D) W. C. Bonnerjee
68. Who was the first editor of “The Yugantar” ?
(A) Barindra Ghosh (B) Bipin Chandra Pal
(C) Jatindra Nath Mukherjee (D) Ullaskar Dutta
69. Who wrote “Banglar gharay jata Bhai-bon ek hawuk, he bhagaban ?”
(A) Rajani Kanta Sen (B). Mukunda Das
(C) Rabindranath Tagore (D) Dwijendralal Roy
70. Who founded Muslim League of India ?
(A) Nawab Salim Ullah (B) Syed Ahmad Khan
(C) Abdul Gaffar Khan (D) R.A. Kidwai
71. Fiscal policy refers to
(C) Agricultural Fertilizer Policy
(B) Rural Credit Policy
(C) Interest Policy
(D) Related to revenue and expenditure policy of the Government
72. Who maintain foreign exchange reserve in our country ?
(A) Reserve Bank of India
(B) State Bank of India
(C) Ministry of Finance, Govt of India

(D) Export-Import Bank of India

73. Who is known as the "Father of Modern India" ?

- (A) Rammohah Roy (B) Jawaharlal Nehru
(C) Mahatma Gandhi (D) W. C. Bonnerjee

74. Who wrote "Bande Mataram"?

- (A) Bankimchandra Chatterjee (B) Rangalal Banerjee
(C) Rabindranath Tagore (D) Rajanikanta Sen

75. Who wanted Indian National Congress to be "a safety valve" ?

- (A) A. O. Hume (B) Lord Lytton
(C) W. C. Bonnerjee (D) Surendra Nath Banerjee

76. Who founded "National Mela" ?

- (A) Rajnarayan Bose (B) Naba Gopal Mitra
(C) Jyotirindra Nath Tagore (D) Akshay Kumar Dutta

77. Who founded "Anushilan Samity" ?

- (A) Satish Chandra Basu (B) P. Mitra
(C) Aurobindo Ghosh (D) Bhupendra Dutta

78. Who initiated regeneration of Indian Muslims in the 19th century ?

- (A) Syed Ahmed Khan (B) Nawab Salim Ullah
(C) Badsha Khan (D) Abul Kalam Azad

79. Who defended Aurobindo Ghosh in the Alipur Bomb Case ?

- (A) W. C. Bonnerjee (B) Surendra Nath Banerjee
(C) Bipin Chandra Pal (D) Chittaranjan Das

80. Who founded "Swadesh Bandhav Samity"?

- (A) Aswini Kumar Dutta (B) Pulin Das
(C) Surya Sen (D) Barindra Ghosh

81. To be recognised as a national party, it must secure at least

- (A) 10 per cent of the valid votes in four or more States
(B) 4 per cent of the valid votes in four or more States
(C) 15 per cent of the valid votes in any two States
(D) 25 per cent of the valid votes in any one States

82. A Money Bill can originate

- (A) In either House of Parliament

- (B) Only in the Lok Sabha
 - (C) Only in the Rajya Sabha
 - (D) Only in a joint sitting of the two Houses
83. Permanent Settlement was a feature of
- (A) Zamindari System
 - (B) Mahalwary System
 - (C) Ryotwari System
 - (D) None of the above
84. Which part of the Constitution directs the State to establish Panchayati Raj institution in the country?
- (A) The Preamble
 - (B) The Directive Principles of State Policy
 - (C) The Fundamental Rights
 - (D) None of the above
85. The national income of a country is
- (A) The Annual Revenue of the Government
 - (B) Sum total of factor incomes
 - (C) Surplus of Public Sector Undertakings
 - (D) Export minus Import
86. Who accords recognition to various political parties as national or regional parties?
- (A) The President
 - (B) The Election Commission
 - (D) The Parliament
 - (E) The President in consultation with the Election Commissioner
87. Whose name is associated with formulation of Planning Strategy in Second Five-Year Plan?
- (A) Mahatma Gandhi
 - (B) Jawaharlal Nehru
 - (C) Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobish
 - (D) B. R. Shenoy
88. Primary emphasis during 2nd Plan was laid on the development of
- (A) Rural areas
 - (B) Basic and key industries
 - (C) Foreign trade
 - (D) Consumer industries
89. Which of the following statements correctly describes a 'hung Parliament'?
- (A) A Parliament in which no party has a clear majority
 - (B) The Prime Minister has resigned but the Parliament is not dissolved
 - (C) The Parliament lacks the quorum to conduct business
 - (D) A lame duck Parliament

90. Which non-member can participate in the business of other House of Parliament ?
(A) The Vice-President (B) The Solicitor General
(C) The Attorney General (D) The Chief Justice of India
91. In which House of the Parliament, the Presiding Officer is not a member of the House ?
(A) Lok Sabha (B) Rajya Sabha
(C) Vidhan Sabha (D) Vidhan Parishad
92. Who is the final authority of interpret the Constitution
(A) The President (B) The Parliament
(C) The Lok Sabha (D) The Supreme Court
93. Which Amendment of the Constitution provided constitutional status to the Panchayats ?
(A) 56th Amendment (B) 73rd Amendment
(C) 74th Amendment (D) 76th Amendment
94. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court is appointed by
(A) The President alone
(B) The President on the recommendation of the Prime Minister
(C) The President in consultation with the judges of the Supreme Court and High Courts
(D) The President, on the recommendation of the Law Commission
95. Indian President is elected
(A) Directly by the people
(B) Jointly by the two Houses of the Parliament
(C) By an electoral college consisting of the elected members of both Houses of the Parliament and State Legislatures
(D) None of the above
96. The Directive Principles of State Policy are
(A) Justiciable
(B) Non-justiciable
(C) Only some of the provisions are justiciable
(D) None of the above
97. The Preamble to the Constitution declares India as
(A) a Sovereign Democratic Republic
(B) a Socialist Democratic Republic
(C) a Sovereign Socialist Secular Democratic Republic
(D) A Federal Democratic Republic

98. The Constitution of India established a Parliamentary system of Government following the pattern of
(A) France (B) Britain
(C) Canada (D) Sweden
99. The Constitution of India is
(A) Rigid (B) Flexible
(C) Partly rigid, partly flexible (D) Very rigid
100. The Constitution of India came into force on
(A) December 9, 1946 (B) January 26, 1949
(C) January 26, 1950 (D) November 26, 1951
101. The resistance of which of the following decreases with the rise of temperature ?
(A) Copper (B) Iron
(C) Silicon (D) Mercury
102. Amount of blood pumped by an adult heart per hour is about
(A) 150 litre (B) 200 litre
(C) 300 litre (D) 340 litre
103. A bacterium differs from virus with respect to
(A) DNA (B) RNA
(C) Both RNA and DNA (D) None of the above
104. Which former Peruvian President has been fined and sentenced to imprisonment for abusing power ?
(A) Pedro Guillermo Urbina (B) Vladimiro Montesinos
(C) Alberto Fujimori (D) K. Harington
105. Who is the author of the famous book 'A Train to Pakistan' ?
(A) Khushwant Singh (B) Shashi Tharoor
(C) Vikram Seth (D) Rudyard Kipling .
106. The Nobel Peace Prize, 2007 was awarded to
(A) Rajendra Pachauri and Al Gore
(B) Gerhard Ertl
(C) Albert Fert and Peter Gruenberg
(D) Leonid Hurwicz, Eric Maskin and Roger Myerson
107. Movies exemplify the
(A) Pi-phenomenon (B) AntikinetiC effect

- (C) Saccadic movement (D) Purkinjee shift
108. A father feeds his baby, he smiles and babbles encouragingly. The father's babbling could be considered
(A) Primary reinforcement (B) Secondary reinforcement
(C) Classical conditioning (D) Contiguity learning
109. Laterite soils in West Bengal are found in
(A) Jalpaiguri (B) Bankura
(C) Darjeeling (D) North 24-Parganas
110. The East Calcutta Wetlands have been declared as'a
(A) Ramsar Site (B) Biosphere Reserve
(C) Reserve Forest (D) National Park
111. The weight of a body on the surface of the earth is 10kg. Its weight at the centre of the earth is
(A) 0 kg. (B) 5kg.
(C) 10kg (D) Infinite
112. The instrument used for measuring blood pressure is called
(A) Barometer (B) Sphygmomanometer
(C) Tonometer (D) None of the above
113. The behaviour of energy in ecosystem can be conveniently termed as energy flow because
(A) Energy transformations are multidirectional in nature
(B) Energy is the denominator of all kinds of system
(C) Energy transformations are one way indirection
(D) None of the above
114. Who is the new Army Chief in Pakistan ?
(A) Gen. Asif Nawaz Janjua (B) Gen. Pervez Musharraf
(C) Gen. Jehangir Karamat (D) Gen. Ashfaq Pervez Kiyani
115. Which Indian State witnessed a violent agitation by the Gujjar Community seeking Scheduled Tribe status ?
(A) Gujarat (B) Maharashtra
(C) Rajasthan (D) Haryana
116. Which athlete was disqualified and later denied of 5 Medals Won earlier by the International Olympic Committee in a doping scandal ?
(A) Marion Jones (B) Katerina Thanou
(C) Craig Masback (D) Jim Scherr

117. The term that does not belong with the other is
(A) Progression (B) Regression
(C) Sublimation (D) Repression
118. Complete loss of memory is termed
(A) Trauma (B) Amnesia
(C) Coma (D) Paranesia
119. Pneumatophores are
(A) Pneumonia victims of Sundarbans
(B) Marshy areas of Sundarbans
(C) Stems of Sundari trees
(D) Breathing roots of mangroves
120. Kolkata Metropolitan Area is a
(A) Homogeneous region (B) Formal region
(C) Functional region (D) Natural region
121. The resistance of a 200 V-100 W bulb is
(A) $400\ \Omega$
(B) $400\ \Omega$ only when it is connected to 200 volt mains
(C) $400\ \Omega$ when it is not glowing
(D) $2\ \Omega$
122. The ingredient that assists clotting of blood is
(A) Vitamin A (B) Folic acid
(C) Vitamin D (D) Vitamin K
123. The causative organism of malignant malaria in human being is
(A) Plasmodium vivax (B) Plasmodium falciparum
(C) Plasmodium malarie (D) Plasmodium ovale
114. Which day is observed as World AIDS day ?
(A) December 4 (B) December 10
(C) December 14 (D) December 1
125. In February 2007, elections to elect State Assemblies were held in which states ?
(A) Punjab and Uttarakhand (B) Uttarakhand and Manipur
(C) Punjab and Manipur (D) Punjab, Uttarakhand and Manipur
126. Name the Chinese President who visited India during November 2006.

- (A) Ziang Zamin (B) Hu Jintao
(C) Bo Xilai (D) Hu Chang
127. In a factory that pays its employees on a piecework system, the schedule of reinforcement can be said to be
(A) Fixed ratio (B) Fixed interval
(C) Variable interval (D) Variable ratio
128. A class of objects or properties common to a class of objects, is called
(A) A concept (B) A symbol
(C) A percept (D) An inventory
129. According to 2001 census, the female literacy rate in West Bengal is
(A) 39-25% (B) 75-58%
(C) 65-26% (D) 46-56%
130. East Calcutta wetlands is a unique system where
(A) Sewage and waste water of Kolkata is used for fishery development
(B) Tanneries are ideally located
(C) Unutilised marshes dominate the landscape
(D) Salt encrusted weed flats exist
131. Einstein was awarded the Nobel Prize for
(A) Photoelectric equation (B) Special theory of relativity
(C) General theory of relativity (D) Explanation of Brownian motion
132. The nitrogen base absent in DNA
(A) Uracil (B) Adenine
(C) Thymine (D) Cytosine
133. Succinic acid dehydrogenase to give
(A) Malic acid (B) Formic acid
(C) Iso-citric acid (D) Fumeric acid
134. Who won the Wimbledon Men's Singles title in 2007?
(A) Rafael Nadal (B) Roger Federer
(C) Andre Agassi (D) Michael Llodra
135. Who was named Women's Cricketer of the year (2007) at the ICC award ceremony ?
(A) Dola Banerjee (B) Harven Sarao
(C) Koneru Humpy (D) Jhulan Goswami
136. Who became the 52nd Prime Minister of Great Britain in June 2007?

- (A) Tony Blair (B) Jhon Reid
(C) David Cameron (D) Gordon Brown
137. Stimulating the occipital area of the brain produces sensations of
(A) Vision (B) Taste
(C) Motion (D) Touch
138. False belief which cannot be shaken by reason is termed
(A) Delusion (B) Fantasy
(C) Illusion (D) Hallucination
139. In India the percentage of population below poverty line is
(A) Less than 30% (B) More than 50%
(C) More than 70% (D) Less than 20%
140. Sand dunes form a major topographic feature of
(A) Eastern Rajasthan (B) Western Rajasthan
(C) Punjab (D) Gujarat
141. Which one of the following is not an electromagnetic wave?
(A) Radio wave (B) X-ray
(C) Visible light (D) Sound wave
142. Ribosomes play a significant role in
(A) Photosynthesis (B) Protein synthesis
(C) Lipid synthesis (D) Respiration
143. The Greenhouse effect gases trap only the heat of following radiations:
(A) Ultraviolet (B) Infrared
(C) Solar (D) Both (A) and (B)
144. The New President of the World Bank is
(A) Paul Wolfowitz (B) Robert Zoellick
(C) Dominique Strauss-Kahn (D) Rodrigo Rato
145. N.S.G. is related to
(A) Non-aligned States Group (B) Nuclear Suppliers Group
(C) Nuclear States Group (D) Non-nuclear States Group
146. Who has been crowned the greatest management thinker alive in the World by an annual ranking by Thinkers 50?
(A) Bill Gates (B) Jim Collins
(C) C. K. Prahalad (D) Tom Peters
147. To study the development of a child at different ages, the most appropriate

method of investigation is

- (A) Longitudinal
- (B) Correlational
- (C) Naturalistic
- (D) Cross-sectional

148. The starting point in thinking

- (A) Goal
- (B) Conflict
- (C) Drive
- (D) Tension

149. India's dispute over sharing of water with Bangladesh arises out of the distribution of water from

- (A) Maithon Dam
- (B) Farakka Barrage
- (C) Durgapur Barrage
- (D) Brahmaputra River

150. Sharavati Hydro-electric Project is located in

- (A) Tamil Nadu
- (B) Karnataka
- (C) Orissa
- (D) Andhra Pradesh

151. Two ends of tube is closed by corks so that the tube becomes airtight. The pressure of air inside the closed tube is

- (A) Very small
- (B) Slightly less than the atmospheric pressure
- (C) Equal to the atmospheric pressure ,
- (D) Dependent on the length of the tube

152. Name of a insectivorous plant

- (A) Gulancha
- (B) Nayantara
- (C) Basak
- (D) Pitcher Plant

153. The new Vice-President of India is

- (A) B. S. Shekhawat
- (B) Najma Heptulla
- (C) Hamid Ansair
- (D) Rasheed Masood

154. Which of the following is not a stimulant ?

- (A) Caffine
- (B) Barbiturates
- (C) Cocaine
- (D) Amphetamines

155. The new Japanese Prime Minister is

- (A) Shinzo Abe
- (B) Yasuo Fukuda
- (C) Taro Aso
- (D) Hu Jintao

156. The primary colours of light are

- (A) Red, green, blue, yellow
- (B) Red, blue, green
- (C) Yellow, blue, red, grey
- (D) None of the above

157. According to accepted practice, a job selection test should have high
(A) Predictive validity (B) Face validity
(C) Content validity (D) Construct validity
158. In terms of Human Development Index, India falls under the following category
(A) High (B) Medium
(C) Low (D) Very Low
159. The population growth rate in India is
(A) Increasing (B) Remaining constant
(C) Declining (D) Zero
160. Sal is a
(A) Deciduous tree (B) Evergreen tree
(C) Xerophyte (D) Coniferous tree
161. The view finder of a motor car is a
(A) Plane mirror (B) Concave mirror
(C) Convex mirror (D) Convex lens
162. Cancer is caused by activation of genes
(A) Regulatory genes (B) Oncogenes
(C) Structural genes (D) Jumping genes
163. 2007 UFA award for Best Film was won by
(A) Parzania (B) Black
(C) Kaalpurush (D) Rang De Basanti
164. Parkinson's disease is characterised by the loss of nerve cells in the
(A) Cingulate cortex (B) Substantia nigra
(C) Reticular formation (D) Cerebral cortex
165. Who is Argentina's first elected Woman President?
(A) Ms. Priscila Perales (B) Ms. Pamela Melory
(C) Ms. Angela Merkel (D) Ms. Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner
166. The concept that asserts that people perform better when they are in competition than when they are alone is called
(A) Social facilitation (B) Social comparison
(C) Group dynamics (D) Social reality
167. Most patients hospitalised for mental disorders suffer from

- (A) Neurosis
- (B) Depression
- (C) Hysteria
- (D) Schizophrenia

168. The tsunami which devastated some of the coastal areas of India in December, 2004 originated from
- (A) Subduction of Indian plate under the Myanmar plate
 - (B) Subduction of Myanmar plate under the Indian plate
 - (C) Subsidence and trench formation near Andaman Nicobar islands
 - (D) Subduction of Myanmar plate under the Pacific plate near Hawaii
169. For reducing birth rate in India Amartya Sen has emphasised
- (A) The need for improving female literacy
 - (B) The need for reducing morality
 - (C) The need for increasing per capita income
 - (D) The need for increasing the growth rate of Gross Domestic Product
170. Noonmati is known for the location of a
- (A) Public sector oil refinery
 - (B) Private sector coal field
 - (C) Private sector oil refinery
 - (D) Public sector coal field
171. Radioactive decay of uranium produces
- (A) Arsenic
 - (B) Bismuth
 - (C) Lead
 - (D) Tin
172. Flowers without petals are pollinated by
- (A) Bees
 - (B) Birds
 - (C) Butterflies
 - (D) Wind
173. The 11th Five Year Plan is setting the stage for
- (A) 11% economic growth
 - (B) 9% economic growth
 - (C) 10% economic growth
 - (D) 8% economic growth
174. As we age, the cognitive ability that declines most is the ability to
- (A) Recall new information
 - (B) Remember small details
 - (C) Learn new information
 - (D) Use new information
175. The newly elected Governor of Louisiana (USA) in New Orleans is ,
- (A) Sunil Mittal
 - (B) David Nalbandian
 - (C) Bobby Jindal
 - (D) D. Gilpin Faust
176. Predisposing cause of a disease are referred to as
- (A) Ethnology
 - (B) Ecology
 - (C) Etiology
 - (D) Environmental factors

177. The behaviour pattern expected of an individual based on his social position is called
(A) Status (B) Role
(C) Class (D) Personal construct.
178. Sundarban was declared a 'World Heritage Site' because of its
(A) Prawn Culture (B) Royal Bengal Tigers
(C) Tidal bores (D) Mangrove Forests and Bio-diversity
179. The Himalayas were uplifted from the
(A) Indian ocean (B) Hercynian Geosyncline
(C) Tethys Geosyncline (D) None of the above
180. Lignite is a type of V
(A) Iron ore (B) Copper
(C) Coal (D) Limestone
181. The biochemical processes taking place in the body is known as .
(A) Anabolism (B) Catabolism
(C) Metabolism (D) None of the above
182. RNA of retrovirus can produce DNA by
(A) DNA polymerase (B) RNA polymerase
(C) Endonuclease (D) Reverse transcriptase
183. Mr. Digambar Kamal has been elected the new Chief Minister of which state?
(A) Meghalaya (B) Goa
(C) Sikkim (D) Kerala
184. Of the following, the pair that is incorrectly matched is
(A) Beck-cognitive therapy (B) Adler- individual therapy
(C) Freud-psychoanalysis (D) Bowlby-behaviour therapy
185. Which country was declared to host 2014 FIFA World Cup?
(A) Argentina (B) Brazil
(C) Canada (D) Belgium
186. The social distance scale was developed by
(A) Likert (B) La Pierre
(C) Bogardus (D) Hovland

187. A child who has been identified as being high in achievement motivation would probably choose a task that is
(A) Easy (B) Highly structured
(C) Very difficult (D) Moderately difficult
188. The River Narmada flows through a
(A) Post-glacial valley (B) V-shaped fluvial valley
(C) Fault trough lambasor valley (D) Deltaic area
189. The Aravallis represent in ancient
(A) Fold Mountain (B) Horst
(C) Volcano (D) Block Mountain
190. In West Bengal silk industry is found in
(A) Purulia (B) Cooch Behar
(C) Murshidabad (D) Hooghly
191. Linus Pauling received his first Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1954 and the second in 1962 for
(A) Literature (B) Medicine
(C) Physics (D) Peace
192. The intermediate host of Lefshmania donovani is
(A) Sand fly (B) Tse-tse fly
(C) Dragon fly (D) Anopheles mosquito
193. Who became the first Bharatiya Janata Party Chief Minister of Karnataka?
(A) R. Ashok (B) Govind M Karjoi
(C) H. D. Kumaraswamy (D) B. S. Yeddyurappa
194. The WISC-R test is
(A) An individual test for adults
(B) An individual test for children
(C) A group test for children
(D) A group test for adults
195. Name the suspended Chief Justice of Pakistan who was reinstated by Pak Supreme Court
(A) Justice Javed Iqbal
(B) Justice Iftikar Muhammad Choudhury
(C) Justice Sayyed Muhammed Shah
(D) Justice Khalil-ur-Rehman Ramday
196. Of the patients with the following diagnosis, which is most likely to voluntarily commence psychotherapy?

- (A) The patient with depressive reaction
 - (B) The patient with anxiety disorder
 - (C) The patient with phobia
 - (D) The patient with personality disorder
197. Gardener's theory of intelligence does not recognize which of the following types of intelligence?
- (A) Social skills
 - (B) Language skills
 - (C) Musical skills
 - (D) G-factor
198. The South-Eastern part of the Bengal delta is undergoing
- (A) Upheaval
 - (B) Folding
 - (C) Faulting
 - (D) Subsidence
199. Cotton in India grows best on
- (A) Lateritic soil
 - (B) Alluvial soil
 - (C) Black soil
 - (D) Terai
200. The iron and steel plants of Rourkela and Durgapur were conceived under the
- (A) First Five Year Plan
 - (B) Second Five Year Plan
 - (C) Third Five Year Plan
 - (D) Fourth Five Year Plan