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1. Which of the following common burnt clay brick classes has the highest compressive strength?

- [A] Class 35
- [B] Class 25
- [C] Class 15
- [D] Class 10



2. During a slump test for concrete workability on a site, the slump is measured as 150 mm. According to IS 456 : 2000, the workability of this concrete is classified as

- [A] very high
- [B] high
- [C] medium
- [D] low

3. A sand stratum has an *in-situ* void ratio of 1/2. Its porosity is

- [A] 1/2
- [B] 1/3
- [C] 1/4
- [D] 2

4. During the construction of a high-rise building in Chennai, Ordinary Portland Cement (OPC) is being used. According to IS 269 : 2015, what is the minimum initial setting time required for the cement to ensure proper placement and finishing of concrete?

- [A] 15 minutes
- [B] 30 minutes
- [C] 45 minutes
- [D] 60 minutes

5. A concrete mix design for a high-rise building in Delhi specifies a water-cement ratio of 0.40. Given a water content of 200 kg/m³, what is the corresponding cement content in kg/m³?

- [A] 500
- [B] 400
- [C] 200
- [D] 100

6. A steel beam in a building frame is subjected to a bending moment of 200 kNm. The beam has a cross-section of 300 mm × 400 mm. The maximum tensile stress developed in the steel, assuming a linear elastic behavior, is

- [A] 15 MPa
- [B] 20 MPa
- [C] 25 MPa
- [D] 30 MPa

7. Terzaghi's Bearing Capacity theory assumes a strip footing subjected to vertical central loading. The other relevant conditions assumed to derive the ultimate bearing capacity of the footing in this theory are

- [A] plane strain and general shear failure
- [B] plane stress and general shear failure
- [C] plane strain and local shear failure
- [D] plane stress and local shear failure

8. A reinforced concrete slab in a building is designed for a service load of 20 kN/m^2 . The slab has a thickness of 150 mm and is made up of M25 concrete and Fe415 steel. The minimum area of steel reinforcement required per meter width of the slab, assuming a limit state of flexure, is
- [A] 0.15% of effective cross-sectional area
 - [B] 0.12% of effective cross-sectional area
 - [C] 0.15% of gross cross-sectional area
 - [D] 0.12% of gross cross-sectional area
9. As per the philosophy of Limit-State Design, it is envisaged by the designer that the structure as a whole or components thereof must
- [A] attain all the limit-states considered in design
 - [B] attain any one of the limit-states considered in design
 - [C] not attain any of the limit-states considered in design
 - [D] attain only some of the limit-states among those considered in design
10. Reciprocal ranging is used in chain surveying in a situation where there are
- [A] obstacles in chaining but no obstacle in ranging
 - [B] obstacles in ranging but no obstacle in chaining
 - [C] obstacles in both chaining and ranging
 - [D] obstacles in either chaining or ranging

11. You are conducting a theodolite traverse survey in a crowded urban area in a busy city. Which type of error is most likely to significantly affect your angular measurements?

- [A] Instrumental error
- [B] Personal error
- [C] Natural error
- [D] Systematic error



12. While setting up a theodolite for a survey, you notice that the vertical axis of the instrument is not truly vertical. What is this error called?

- [A] Collimation error
- [B] Parallax error
- [C] Plate bubble error
- [D] Vertical axis error

13. In a theodolite survey, you are measuring the horizontal angle between two points. You take two sets of readings : one with the telescope in the Face Left (FL) position and another with the telescope in the Face Right (FR) position. What is the purpose of taking these two sets of readings in both the positions?

- [A] To eliminate the effect of eccentricity of the vertical axis
- [B] To eliminate the effect of collimation error
- [C] To eliminate the effect of parallax error
- [D] To eliminate the effect of plate bubble error

14. You are conducting a closed traverse survey around a lake using a theodolite. After completing the survey, you find that the sum of the interior angles is not equal to $(2N - 4)$ right angles, where N is the number of sides of the traverse. What is this discrepancy called?

- [A] Closing error
- [B] Angular misclosure
- [C] Linear misclosure
- [D] Balancing error

15. In a levelling work, the back sight on a bench mark of RL 100.000 m was observed as 5.005 m. The height of instrument is

- [A] 100.000 m
- [B] 100.500 m
- [C] 105.005 m
- [D] 95.005 m



16. A water treatment plant is experiencing difficulties in removing fine suspended particles from the raw water during monsoon. Jar tests are being conducted to optimize the coagulation-flocculation process. Which of the following observations during the jar test would indicate effective coagulation?

- [A] Rapid settling of large and dense flocs
- [B] Slow settling of small and dispersed flocs
- [C] Formation of a stable milky suspension
- [D] No visible change in the water sample

17. Both plumbing fork and a spirit level are used to carry out

- [A] compass surveying
- [B] traversing
- [C] plane table surveying
- [D] levelling

18. Levelling was carried out along the centre line of a proposed highway using a dumpy level and an ordinary levelling staff. The surveyor entered the following readings in the level book. Which of the following readings is most likely to be free from personal error of the surveyor?

- [A] 102.753 m
- [B] 95.852 m
- [C] 99.671 m
- [D] 97.675 m

19. A construction project requires the use of pozzolanic cement for a marine structure. What impact does the addition of pozzolana have on the properties of the cement, particularly in relation to strength development and setting time, according to IS 1489 (Part 1) : 2015?

- [A] Increases early strength and reduces setting time
- [B] Reduces early strength and increases setting time
- [C] Increases both early strength and setting time
- [D] Reduces both early strength and setting time

20. A solid circular shaft of diameter d is subjected to a torque T . If the diameter of the shaft is doubled while keeping the torque constant, the maximum shear stress induced in the shaft will

- [A] increase by a factor of 2
- [B] decrease by a factor of 2
- [C] increase by a factor of 8
- [D] decrease by a factor of 8

21. A point in a structural member is subjected to a biaxial stress state with $\sigma_x = 100$ MPa (tensile) and $\sigma_y = 50$ MPa (compressive). What is the radius of the Mohr's circle representing this stress state?

- [A] 25 MPa
- [B] 50 MPa
- [C] 75 MPa
- [D] 100 MPa

22. A plane stress element is subjected to $\sigma_x = 50$ MPa, $\sigma_y = -30$ MPa and $\tau_{xy} = 40$ MPa. At what orientation (measured counter-clockwise from the major principal plane) does the maximum shear stress occur in the Mohr's circle?

- [A] 180 degrees
- [B] 90 degrees
- [C] 45 degrees
- [D] 270 degrees



23. For a state of pure shear with $\tau_{xy} = 50$ MPa, the principal stresses would be

- [A] $\sigma_1 = 50$ MPa, $\sigma_2 = -50$ MPa
- [B] $\sigma_1 = 100$ MPa, $\sigma_2 = 0$ MPa
- [C] $\sigma_1 = 0$ MPa, $\sigma_2 = -100$ MPa
- [D] $\sigma_1 = 50$ MPa, $\sigma_2 = 50$ MPa

24. A thin-walled cylindrical pressure vessel with a radius of 500 mm and wall thickness of 5 mm is subjected to an internal pressure of 50 MPa. The maximum shear stress in the material of the vessel is

- [A] 250 MPa
- [B] 500 MPa
- [C] 2500 MPa
- [D] 1250 MPa

25. Two circular shafts, one solid and one hollow, have the same external diameter and are subjected to the same torque. Which shaft will experience a higher maximum shear stress?

- [A] Solid shaft
- [B] Hollow shaft
- [C] Both will have the same maximum shear stress
- [D] Cannot be determined without knowing the internal diameter of the hollow shaft

26. A point in a material is subjected to a stress state where the normal stresses on two mutually perpendicular planes are equal in magnitude but opposite in sign and there is no shear stress on these planes. What is the most appropriate name for this stress state?
- [A] Uniaxial stress
 [B] Biaxial stress
 [C] Triaxial stress
 [D] Pure shear
27. A cantilever beam of length L is subjected to a hogging moment M at its free end. The shape of its bending moment diagram will be
- [A] triangular with height M at free end and base width L
 [B] triangular with height M at the fixed end and base width L
 [C] rectangular with height L and base width M
 [D] rectangular with height M and base width L
28. A simply supported beam of length L is subjected to a concentrated load P at a distance a from its left support. The reaction at the right support will be
- [A] $P/2$
 [B] $P/4$
 [C] Pa/L
 [D] $P(L-a)/L$
29. A saturated specimen of highly plastic clay is tested in a triaxial apparatus in UU condition. The undrained angle of shearing resistance of the clay will be generally obtained as
- [A] $\phi = 15^\circ$
 [B] $\phi = 90^\circ$
 [C] $\phi = 45^\circ$
 [D] $\phi = 0^\circ$
30. A cantilever beam of length L having a flexural rigidity of EI loaded by a load P at its free end is causing a deflection of 5.0 mm at its free end. Another cantilever beam of length $2L$ has a flexural rigidity of $2EI$ and is loaded by a load of $2P$ at its free end. The tip deflection of the second beam will be
- [A] 2.5 mm
 [B] 10.0 mm
 [C] 40.0 mm
 [D] 80.0 mm
31. The modulus of elasticity E of M25 concrete, as recommended by IS 456 : 2000 is
- [A] 5000 MPa
 [B] 15000 MPa
 [C] 25000 MPa
 [D] 35000 MPa



32. Which of the following statements best defines a hyetograph?

- [A] A graph showing the cumulative depth of rainfall over time
- [B] A graph showing the variation of rainfall intensity with time
- [C] A graph showing the relationship between rainfall depth and runoff volume
- [D] A graph showing the temporal distribution of infiltration

33. Manning's formula is commonly used to estimate the

- [A] infiltration rate of a soil
- [B] evaporation rate from a water body
- [C] velocity of flow in an open channel
- [D] groundwater recharge rate

34. Which of the following numbers characterizes the flow regime in a pipe?

- [A] Reynolds number
- [B] Froude number
- [C] Mach number
- [D] Euler number



35. Which of the following conditions are **true** in a super-critical flow regime?

- [A] Froude number $F_r > 1$ and depth is greater than critical depth
- [B] Froude number $F_r > 1$ and depth is less than critical depth
- [C] Froude number $F_r < 1$ and depth is greater than critical depth
- [D] Froude number $F_r = 1$ and depth is less than critical depth

36. The standard unit of measurement for painting quantity in a civil work is

- [A] litre
- [B] no. of cans
- [C] square meter
- [D] cubic meter

37. Identify the **wrong** statement from the following.

- [A] Vehicle damage factor is used to take into account repetition of wheel loads on the pavement
- [B] Traffic is estimated in terms of Commercial Vehicles Per Day (CVPD)
- [C] Different types of vehicles like cars, trucks etc. are counted by their respective exact numbers in traffic volume studies
- [D] For structural design of pavements, traffic load is calculated in terms of Million Standard Axles (MSA)

38. A sewage treatment plant receives wastewater with a high concentration of organic matter. Which of the following parameters is most commonly used to assess the strength of this sewage and its potential to deplete dissolved oxygen in receiving water bodies?

- [A] pH
- [B] Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)
- [C] Turbidity
- [D] Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)

39. The presence of which of the following contaminants in drinking water would be a major concern due to its potential to cause 'blue baby syndrome' in infants?

- [A] Fluoride
- [B] Arsenic
- [C] Lead
- [D] Nitrate

40. Grain size distribution of a silty sand revealed that the coarse fraction can be classified as poorly graded sand. The fine part passing through 75 micron sieve was 7%. The plasticity characteristics of the fine part revealed its symbol as ML. The symbol of the silty sand as per Indian classification will be
- [A] ML
[B] SP
[C] ML-SP
[D] SP-ML
41. "Pact for the Future", recently in the news, was adopted by which organization?
- [A] United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)
[B] World Trade Organization (WTO)
[C] International Labour Organization (ILO)
[D] World Bank
42. The tallest statue in the world "The Statue of Unity" is located near which dam?
- [A] Bhakra Nangal Dam
[B] Sardar Sarovar Dam
[C] Tehri Dam
[D] Hirakud Dam
43. Which of the following is the largest national park in India?
- [A] Sundarbans National Park
[B] Kaziranga National Park
[C] Hemis National Park
[D] Nagarhole National Park
44. In which Indian State is the Flamingo festival celebrated?
- [A] Rajasthan
[B] Assam
[C] Andhra Pradesh
[D] Manipur
45. Which of the following countries has recently launched world's first 4th generation nuclear reactor?
- [A] USA
[B] Russia
[C] China
[D] France
46. Which of the following Indian States is known as the 'Land of Five Rivers'?
- [A] Haryana
[B] Punjab
[C] Uttar Pradesh
[D] Rajasthan
47. Which Indian Hockey player won the International Hockey Federation (FIH) Player of the Year for 2024?
- [A] Sukhjeet Singh
[B] Harmanpreet Singh
[C] Shamsher Singh
[D] Akashdeep Singh

48. Which institute has developed the new biodegradable foam to address plastic waste in packaging?

- [A] Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi
- [B] Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru
- [C] National Chemical Laboratory, Pune
- [D] Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bombay

49. Monkeypox belongs to which of the following viral families?

- [A] Flaviviridae
- [B] Coronaviridae
- [C] Adenoviridae
- [D] Poxviridae

50. Which of the following Schedules of the Constitution of India deals with Union, State and Concurrent lists?

- [A] 5th Schedule
- [B] 11th Schedule
- [C] 7th Schedule
- [D] 9th Schedule

51. Who among the following was the first-ever badminton player from India to clinch an Olympic medal?

- [A] Saina Nehwal
- [B] Chirag Shetty
- [C] PV Sindhu
- [D] Srikanth Kidambi

52. Which of the following mountain ranges forms the northern boundary of India?

- [A] Western Ghats
- [B] Eastern Ghats
- [C] Himalayas
- [D] Aravalli



53. India's first private sector rocket Vikram-S, was developed by which of the following space technology companies?

- [A] Pixxel
- [B] Dhruva Space
- [C] Skyroot Aerospace
- [D] Agnikul Cosmos

54. Which one among the following is the second step of Ashtanga Yoga?

- [A] Asana
- [B] Yama
- [C] Pranayama
- [D] Niyama

55. Which of the following books is the autobiography of Dalai Lama?

- [A] *Wings of Fire*
- [B] *The Story of My Experiments with Truth*
- [C] *Playing It My Way*
- [D] *Freedom in Exile*

56. Which of the following historical Tibetan monasteries in Arunachal Pradesh was founded in the 17th century by Merak Lama?

- [A] Gorsam Chorten
- [B] Mechuka Monastery
- [C] Urgelling Monastery
- [D] Tawang Monastery

57. What is 'Caldwell 45', recently highlighted by NASA?

- [A] Spiral galaxy
- [B] Asteroid
- [C] Black hole
- [D] Exoplanet

58. What was the theme of 'World Space Week 2024', celebrated from October 4th to 10th?
- [A] Space and Climate Change
 [B] Space and Sustainability
 [C] Women in Space
 [D] The Moon : Gateway to the Stars
59. Who wrote *Kitabat Manjari* and *Lilavati*, the two masterpieces in the fields of Mathematics?
- [A] Sridhar
 [B] Purushottam Vidyavagish
 [C] Bakul Kayastha
 [D] Ram Saraswati
60. By which of the following Amendments was Sikkim made a full-fledged State of the Indian Union?
- [A] 30th Amendment
 [B] 35th Amendment
 [C] 32nd Amendment
 [D] 36th Amendment
61. Which of the following States is famous for the Valley of Flowers?
- [A] Himachal Pradesh
 [B] Jammu and Kashmir
 [C] Sikkim
 [D] Uttarakhand
62. Eturnagaram Wildlife Sanctuary, recently in the news, is located in which State?
- [A] Kerala
 [B] Andhra Pradesh
 [C] Telangana
 [D] Karnataka

63. From which country, the method of Impeachment of the President of India is adopted?

- [A] USA
 [B] UK
 [C] USSR
 [D] France



64. Which of the following districts was separated from Assam and given to Pakistan?

- [A] ShalaShakar
 [B] Khulna
 [C] Sylhet
 [D] Chittagong

65. SMTP in networking means

- [A] Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
 [B] Simple Mail Transport Protocol
 [C] System Mail Transport Protocol
 [D] Simple Message Transfer Protocol

66. The 'Three Gorges Dam', recently mentioned in the news, is located on which river in China?

- [A] Yellow River
 [B] Mekong River
 [C] Yangtze River
 [D] Pearl River

67. The Constitution of India has borrowed the Fundamental Duties from which of the following countries' Constitution?

- [A] USA
 [B] USSR
 [C] Canada
 [D] Germany

68. Which one of the following pairs of States of India indicates the easternmost State and westernmost State?

- [A] Assam and Rajasthan
 [B] Assam and Gujarat
 [C] Arunachal Pradesh and Rajasthan
 [D] Arunachal Pradesh and Gujarat

69. National Income estimates in India are prepared by the

- [A] Planning Commission
- [B] Indian Statistical Institute
- [C] Central Statistical Organisation
- [D] Reserve Bank of India

70. Where is Bandipur National Park located?

- [A] Tamil Nadu
- [B] Karnataka
- [C] Kerala
- [D] Andhra Pradesh

71. Choose the **correct** sentence from the options given below.

- [A] Each of the candidates were asked to submit their mobile phones at the entry gate
- [B] All of the candidate was asked to submit their mobile phones at the entry gate
- [C] Many of the candidates were asked to submitted their mobile phones at the entry gate
- [D] Some of the candidates were asked to submit their mobile phones at the entry gate

72. Choose the **correct** sentence from the options given below.

- [A] They went to there favourite restaurant to celebrate the victory
- [B] They had went to their favourite restaurant to celebrate the victory
- [C] They went to their favourite restaurant to celebrate the victory
- [D] They going to the favourite restaurant to celebrate the victory

73. Choose the **correct** sentence from the options given below.



- [A] Everyone is expected to complete and submit the assignment by Monday
- [B] Everyone are expected to complete and submit the assignment by Monday
- [C] All of the participants is expected to complete and submit the assignment by Monday
- [D] None of the participant are expected to complete and submit the assignment by Monday

74. Choose the **correct** sentence from the options given below.

- [A] Neither of the workers were present for work
- [B] Neither of the three workers was present for work
- [C] Neither of the workers was present for work
- [D] Either of the three workers were present for the work

75. Which of the following options given below is an example of the **correct** form of Passive Voice?

- [A] The shopkeeper handed the bread in a paper bag to the customer
- [B] The child was expecting a good gift from her parents as she had done well in the examination
- [C] The bouquet was delivered to me by one of her friends
- [D] The instructor advised every participant to listen to him attentively

76. Identify the sentence composed in Passive Voice from the options given below.

- [A] They ran a good race
- [B] The ticket was handed over to the passenger by the sales assistant
- [C] The opening pair of batsmen did a good job by scoring well in the first five overs of the cricket match
- [D] Some of the people present in the park were busy taking photographs of the full moon

77. Choose the Imperative sentence from the options given below.

- [A] Pay attention to the instructions given on the cover page
- [B] Could you not have completed the task in time?
- [C] My neighbour does not like to socialize much
- [D] My friend seems to be quite satisfied with the marks that he has scored

78. Which of the following words is a diminutive?

- [A] Eerie
- [B] Aerie
- [C] Eaglet
- [D] Eagle

79. What is the meaning of the idiom — “once in a blue moon”?

- [A] A rare happening or event
- [B] A much awaited disaster
- [C] A frequent occurrence
- [D] A sudden good news

80. Choose the proverb which means people always want or like the things that they do not have.

- [A] The grass is always greener on the other side of the fence
- [B] The early bird gets the worm
- [C] The squeaky wheel gets the grease
- [D] Good things come to those who wait

81. Choose the **correct** preposition to complete the sentence :

“As he was standing below, the flower pot missed him by the breadth of a hair as it fell _____ the balcony.”

- [A] over
- [B] from
- [C] by
- [D] in



82. Choose the **correct** preposition to complete the sentence :

“A true leader should lead _____ example.”

- [A] by
- [B] to
- [C] with
- [D] into

83. Choose the **correct** preposition to complete the sentence :

“As it began to grow dark, the soldiers became suspicious if they being led _____ a trap.”

- [A] by
- [B] into
- [C] inside
- [D] around

84. Choose the **correct** preposition to complete the sentence :

"The tourist bus stopped at several attractions _____ the way."

- [A] toward
- [B] in
- [C] along
- [D] within

85. Which of the following is an **incorrect** sentence?

- [A] We are nothing without your support
- [B] The dog jumped over the hurdle
- [C] He keeps thinking for the job that he has left
- [D] The interior designer has done a wonderful job in this house

86. Which of the following is a **correct** sentence?

- [A] She is sleeping in the sofa
- [B] The Taj Mahal is in Agra
- [C] He is well of these days
- [D] She should soon get by the traumatic event of losing her father

87. Choose the **correct** tense to complete the sentence :

"They left quickly for the stadium but the game _____ before they reached."

- [A] started
- [B] was starting
- [C] had started
- [D] starts



88. Which of the following is the **correct** option to complete the sentence given below?

"The President of our local club resigned _____ the post."

- [A] to
- [B] by
- [C] from
- [D] on

89. Choose the **correct** sentence from the options given below.

- [A] She received the news on the television
- [B] She received the news in the television
- [C] She received the news by the television
- [D] She received the news from the television

90. Which of the following options is the **correct** form of Active Voice of the sentence given below?

"The wall was destroyed by the mutineers within a short time."

- [A] The wall was destroyed within a short time by the mutineers
- [B] The mutineers destroyed the wall within a short time
- [C] The mutineers were destroyed by the wall within a short time
- [D] The wall destroyed the mutineers within a short time

91. Which of the following options is the **correct** Indirect form of narration of the sentence given below?

John said to Pallon, "Can you come to my house in the evening?"

- [A] John said to Pallon to come to his house in the evening
- [B] John requested Pallon to come to his house in the evening
- [C] John asked Pallon if he could come to his house in the evening
- [D] John asked Pallon if he can come to the house in the evening

92. Which of the following options is the **correct** Direct form of narration of the sentence given below?

The caretaker requested the visitors to keep off the grass.

- [A] The caretaker said to the visitors, "Please keep off the grass".
- [B] The caretaker said to the visitors, "Keep off the grass!"
- [C] The caretaker said, "Visitors are informed to keep off the grass".
- [D] The caretaker said, "Visitors are directed to keep off the grass".

93. Choose the antonym of 'conservative' from the options given below.

- [A] Free
- [B] Liberal
- [C] Traditional
- [D] Modern

94. Which of the following options is the **correct** Direct form of narration of the sentence given below?

The instructor forbade the candidates from leaving the campus after sunset.

- [A] The instructor said to the candidates, "Do not leave the campus after sunset".
- [B] The instructor said, "Candidates, you must not leave the campus after sunset".
- [C] The instructor said, "Candidates, do not leave the campus after sunset".
- [D] The instructor said to the candidates, "Don't leave the campus before evening".

95. Choose the opposite for the word 'vibrant' from the options given below.

- [A] Colourful
- [B] Funny
- [C] Dull
- [D] Slow

96. Which of the following is the synonym for the word 'ferocious'?

- [A] Brutal
- [B] Considerate
- [C] Compassionate
- [D] Empathic

97. Which of the following options is the **correct** meaning of "The pen is mightier than the sword"?

- [A] Wood is stronger than steel
- [B] Writing is more powerful than violence
- [C] Might is Right
- [D] Ideas do not die

98. Choose the Complex sentence from the options given below.

- [A] I shall wait for breakfast
- [B] While you are watching television, I shall finish my assignment
- [C] I woke up very late this morning
- [D] We took a bus and she got down near her apartment

99. Which of the following is an example of a Compound sentence?

- [A] The child hurried home after the class
- [B] I like to watch family drama, but my husband prefers to watch sports
- [C] Can you complete the task before time?
- [D] We work during the day to earn money

100. Select the **correct** tag question for the sentence given below :

"He is not a good swimmer."

- [A] Is not he?
- [B] Is he?
- [C] Isn't he?
- [D] Was he?



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