

CDS I 2021 Previous Year Paper English: Solution

1. Ans. C.

'up' is the correct usage.

2. Ans. A.

'on' is the correct usage.

3. Ans. D.

'the' is the correct usage.

4. Ans. A.

'of' is the correct usage.

5. Ans. C.

'a' is the correct usage.

6. Ans. A.

'for' is the correct usage.

7. Ans. A.

'a' is the correct usage.

8. Ans. B.

'between' is the correct usage.

9. Ans. A.

'an' is the correct usage.

10. Ans. A.

'with' is the correct usage.

11. Ans. C.

The correct complete sentence - You can use my computer as long as you do not use any external drive.

12. Ans. D.

The correct complete sentence - If you had planned the work well you could have completed it on time.

13. Ans. A.

The correct complete sentence - I will come to meet you in case you want.

14. Ans. C.

The correct complete sentence - She married him because of his nature.

15. Ans. B.

The correct complete sentence - I could not sleep despite being very tired.

16. Ans. D.

The company's bid for the contract is rejected since the deposit in the account is found less than required.

17. Ans. C.

Complete sentence is - Unless you fulfil the essential qualifications you will not be called for the interview meaning Unless you will fulfill the essential qualification then only you will be called for the interview.

18. Ans. A.

The correct complete sentence is - Although the group has been acquitted they are under the watch of police meaning that the group has already been free from a criminal charge but they are under the watch of police.

19. Ans. B.

'no other' is always followed by 'but to'.

Hence, option B - Elam has no other option but to accept the challenge.

20. Ans. A.

If someone is at the receiving end then that person is suffering so we will use a contrary.

Hence, the correct answer is - Sheela has been at the receiving end but she is very honest.

21. Ans. D.

'exultation' is a noun.

22. Ans. B.

'won' is a transitive verb.

A *Transitive verb* is a verb that takes a direct object, i.e. the action of a transitive verb is done to something or someone whereas in *Intransitive verb* the action is not done to someone or something but only involves subject in it.

23. Ans. B.

'thymself' is a pronoun.

24. Ans. A.

'This' is Demonstrative.

25. Ans. B.

'since' is an adverb.

26. Ans. B.

'And' is a coordinating conjunction.

A coordinating conjunction is a word that joins two elements of equal grammatical rank and syntactic importance. The seven coordinating conjunctions are: for, and, nor, but, or, yet, and so.

27. Ans. A.

'who' is a pronoun.

28. Ans. C.

'Alas!' is an interjection.

29. Ans. B.

'most beautiful' is an adjective.

30. Ans. C.

'above' is a preposition.

31. Ans. A.

The most appropriate synonym for indignant is resentful which means having or showing a feeling of anger or displeasure about someone or something unfair.

Congenial means pleasant.

Unruly means behave badly and are difficult to control.

Supportive means to give help or assistance.

32. Ans. A.

The most appropriate synonym for industrious is diligent which means showing care and effort in your work or duties.

Knowledgeable means having a lot of knowledge.

Indolent means averse to activity, effort, or movement.

Insincere means saying or doing something that you do not really believe.

33. Ans. C.

The most appropriate synonym for haughty is arrogant which means exaggerating or disposed to exaggerate one's own worth or importance often by an overbearing manner.

Tough means strong.

Modest means not talking too much about your own abilities, good qualities, etc.

Knowledgeable means having a lot of knowledge.

34. Ans. A.

The most appropriate synonym for competency is capability which means the quality of being able to do something.

Thinking means using your mind to think about something.

Knowledge means a familiarity, awareness, or understanding of someone or something.

Ideal means a standard of perfection, beauty, or excellence.

35. Ans. A.

The most appropriate synonym for crux is core which means the central or most important part of something.

Part means one of the pieces, areas, periods, things, etc. that together with others forms the whole of something.

Idea means a plan, thought or suggestion, especially about what to do in a particular situation.

Tip means the thin or pointed end of something.

36. Ans. D.

The most appropriate synonym for exemplify is demonstrate which means to show something clearly by giving proof.

Devise means to invent a new way of doing something.

Sympathize means to feel sorry for somebody.

Asks for means to put a question to somebody in order to find out some information.

37. Ans. C.

The most appropriate synonym for perpetual is ever lasting which means continuing forever; never changing.

Temporary means lasting for a short time; not permanent.

Powerful means having a lot of control or influence over other people.

All persuasive means able to cause people to do or believe something.

38. Ans. A.

The most appropriate synonym for reprimanded is admonished which means to tell somebody firmly that you do not approve of something that he/she has done.

Appreciated means to enjoy something or to understand the value of somebody/something.

Praised means to say that somebody/something is good and should be admired.

Disliked means to think that somebody/something is unpleasant.

39. Ans. D.

The most appropriate synonym for inherent is inbuilt which means existing as an original or essential part of something or someone.

Outward means on the outside.

Difficult means not easy to do or understand.

Hallow means honor as holy.

40. Ans. A.

The most appropriate synonym for commotion is uproar which means a state of commotion, excitement, or violent disturbance.

Peace means societal friendship and harmony in the absence of hostility and violence.

Sound means something that you hear or that can be heard.

Furious means full of fury, violent passion, or rage.

41. Ans. A.

'by' is the correct usage.

42. Ans. C.

'that' is the correct usage.

43. Ans. B.

'with' is the correct usage.

44. Ans. B.

'and' is the correct usage.

45. Ans. B.

'between' is the correct usage.

46. Ans. A.

'any' is the correct usage.

47. Ans. B.

Preposition 'in' is the correct usage.

48. Ans. D.

Article 'a' is the correct usage.

49. Ans. B.

'the' is the correct usage.

50. Ans. A.

'a' is the correct usage.

51. Ans. B.

The most appropriate antonym for distinctive is common which means happening or found often or in many places.

Unique means not like anything else; being the only one of its type.

Special means not usual or ordinary.

Unfamiliar means that you do not know well.

52. Ans. B.

The most appropriate antonym for persuasion is discouraging which means to deprive of courage or confidence.

Dislike means not liked.

Convincing means able to make somebody believe something.

Deter means to turn aside, discourage.

53. Ans. C.

The most appropriate antonym for exonerated is convicted which means having officially been found guilty of a crime in a law court.

Honored means to show great (public) respect for somebody/something or to give somebody pride or pleasure.

Pardoned is granted to an individual, often by the action of a government official such as a governor, president.

Felicitated means to congratulate.

54. Ans. C.

The most appropriate antonym for asserting is denying which means to state that something is not true; to refuse to admit or accept something.

Declaring means to state something publicly and officially or to make something known in a firm, clear way

Supporting means to help somebody by saying that you agree with him/her/it.

Propagating means to multiply.

55. Ans. C.

The most appropriate antonym for spontaneous is prepared which means to get ready or to make somebody/something ready.

Alerted means to warn somebody of danger or a problem.

Deliberate means to think about or discuss issues and decisions carefully.

Well executed means skillfully carried out.

56. Ans. A.

The most appropriate antonym for contrary is similar which means like somebody/something but not exactly the same.

Different means not the same.

Divergent means moving or extending in different directions from a common point.

Good faith means honesty or sincerity of intention.

57. Ans. D.

The most appropriate antonym for solace is aggravation which means to make a bad situation worse.

Comfort means the state of having everything your body needs, or of having a pleasant life.

Relief means the feeling of happiness that occurs when something unpleasant or distressing stops or does not happen.

Punishment means the action or way of punishing somebody.

58. Ans. B.

The most appropriate antonym for Deceased is alive which means not dead.

Injured means physically or mentally hurt.

Dead means no longer alive.

Survived means to continue to live or exist in or after a difficult or dangerous situation.

59. Ans. C.

The most appropriate antonym for absurd is reasonable which means fair.

Bizarre means strikingly out of the ordinary.

Meaningless means without meaning.

Thoughtful means thinking deeply.

60. Ans. B.

The most appropriate antonym for bombastic is straightforward which means direct in your approach.

Outdated means not useful or common any more.

Verbose means containing more words than necessary.

Not true means inaccurate.

61. Ans. C.

'will result' is the correct usage.

62. Ans. A.

'could have made' is the correct usage.

63. Ans. D.

'in such a way' is the correct usage.

64. Ans. A.

'whose' is the correct pronoun to fill the given blank.

65. Ans. D.

'would have completed' is the correct usage because the sentence is in past tense so the verb will be in past tense.

66. Ans. A.

'about a' is the correct option to fill in the blank.

67. Ans. B.

'more than' is the correct option to fill in the blank.

68. Ans. C.

'met' is the correct usage because the sentence is in past tense so verb will also be in past.

Hence, option C is correct.

69. Ans. B.

'One of the players' is the correct option to fill in the blank.

70. Ans. B.

'was broke' is the correct usage as it means being bankrupt.

71. Ans. A.

Most species distributions result from a combination of all these factors. But biogeographers tend to specialize in ecological aspects. Ecological biogeographers are interested in the effects of environmental factors. Some historical biogeographers are interested in finding center-of-origins.

72. Ans. C.

The policy aims at developing an integrated health information system that serves the need of all stakeholder and improves efficiency, transparency. This will also foster a linkage across public and private healthcare. Ayushman Bharat compromising twin missions is set to transform the nation's health system. This will be carried out by operationalizing firstly 1.5 lakh health and wellness centers offering preventive and primary care.

73. Ans. A.

India was to be a secular and a democratic republic with a parliamentary system based on adult franchise. It was also to be a federation with demarcation of spheres of action between the Union Governments and the State Governments. It guaranteed all Indian citizens certain fundamental rights. These include: freedom of speech and expression, freedom to assemble peacefully etc.

74. Ans. A.

Ethics is a branch of philosophy concerned with the distinction between right and wrong and the ultimate worth of actions or things. Ethics evaluated the relationships, rules, principles or codes that require or forbid certain conduct. Environmental ethics asks about the moral relationships between humans and the world around us. For many philosophers, only humans are moral agents, being capable of acting morally or immorally. Value is a measure of the worth of something.

75. Ans. D.

Urbanization in India has become an important and irreversible process. The process of urbanization has been characterized by a dramatic increase in the number of large cities. This show that India is in the midst of transition from a predominantly rural to a quasi-urban society. It is an important determinant of a national economic growth and poverty reduction. The 2030 development agenda of the United nations has emphasized the role of sustainable cities for making cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable.

76. Ans. B.

Languages in contact with each other cause change. Language contact has long been recognized as a major engine of change. A historical example is that of Danish and English which led to a major shift in the vocabulary and grammar of English. The increasing use of English in many parts of the world affect both local languages and English. This gives rise to new, hybrid language varieties. Changes often occur first in informal and casual language.

77. Ans. C.

The dhoti kurta is a traditional lungi type garment worn by men in India. The dhoti is rectangular piece of unstitched cloth, around five yards long, wrapped around the midriff and tucked between the legs. It is commonly worn with a loose long tunic. A dhoti, made of homespun khadi cotton cloth, was the garment favored by Gandhi ji. This he started wearing after he abandoned his western attire of pants and shirt. Gandhiji usually wore a simple shawl with his dhoti.

78. Ans. A.

Policy, like many other terms is a complex concept. It takes different forms. A policy may be general or specific, broad or narrow, simple or complex, public or private, written or unwritten. Public policy is what a government chooses as guidance for action. It is form of government control usually expressed in a law, a legislation, a regulation or an order. Public policy is the outcome of the struggle between government and powerful groups.

79. Ans. B.

We drink more water during summers. School clothes during the summer is different from the winter. Why do you wear lighter clothes during summers and heavy woolen clothes during the winter in north India? Because in North India, both the sessions have extreme weather conditions. On the other hand, in north-eastern states, winters are mild except in the hills. There are variations in weather conditions during different seasons.

80. Ans. A.

Man has progressed with science and technology. He has reached the moon. Hitherto he had been backward. Now with scientific knowledge and technical know-how he has done what was impossible. He is one the road to conquer other planets. What was difficult and impossible is now easy and possible.

81. Ans. B.

The correct sequence - QPSR.

Some of the most spectacular gold coins were issued by the Gupta rulers in India.

82. Ans. C.

The correct sequence - SQRP.

Since earliest times, humans have suffered frustration and food losses brought on by destructive pests.

83. Ans. C.

The correct sequence - SQRP

How important is the information that comes from the scientists?

84. Ans. B.

The correct sequence - RSPQ

Coal was the main source of energy in the initial stages, when steam engines dominated industrialization.

85. Ans. D.

The correct sequence - RQSP.

Endogamy refers to marriage within a unit or a group living in the same locality.

86. Ans. C.

The correct sequence - QPSR

Some archeologists are of the opinion that Harappan society had no rulers, and that everybody enjoyed equal status.

87. Ans. D.

The correct sequence - QPSR.

This is a time of great trouble as one virus threatens the world to the maximum.

88. Ans. D.

The correct sequence - QPSR.

Correct sentence- Banana provides enough potassium, and sustained energy from various sugars.

89. Ans. A.

The correct sequence is - RPSQ.

Correct Sentence- Domination or compulsion of any kind is a direct hindrance to freedom and intelligence.

90. Ans. D.

The correct sequence is - RQSP.

Correct Sentence- Freedom does not mean the opportunity for self-gratification or the setting aside of consideration for others.

91. Ans. A.

Shrubs and tall grass reduces noise by absorbing it.

Hence, option A is the correct answer.

92. Ans. B.

The higher the trees, lower the noise.

Option B is the correct answer.

93. Ans. D.

The single layer of trees is worthless as a noise barrier because noise can easily penetrate.

Hence, option D is the most appropriate answer.

94. Ans. C.

It is clearly mentioned in the passage that Trees can reduce noise when they are planted dense. Hence, option C is the correct answer.

95. Ans. A.

As clearly mentioned in the passage, The correct answer is option A - 30 metres.

96. Ans. C.

Uncomprehendingly means showing or having an inability to comprehend something.

Hence, option C - Without knowing, is the most appropriate answer choice.

97. Ans. B.

Prejudice means give rise to prejudice in (someone); make biased.

Hence, option is the correct answer.

98. Ans. C.

As clearly mentioned in the passage, 'Because they seek comfort' is the correct answer choice.

99. Ans. B.

Option B - accepting the established practices, is the most appropriate answer.

100. Ans. A.

the most appropriate answer according to the passage is option A - It does not encourage disagreement.

101. Ans. C.

'Mellow out' means - to enjoy oneself without doing much.

102. Ans. A.

Idiom 'Wind down' means - to relax after a period of activity.

103. Ans. D.

Idiom 'Run wild' means - to grow without control.

104. Ans. A.

Idiom 'Spiff up' means to make oneself look neat.

105. Ans. A.

Idiom 'Be a law unto yourself' means - to behave unconventional and unpredictable.

106. Ans. A.

Idiom 'Bolt from the blue' means - an event or piece of news which is unexpected.

107. Ans. B.

Idiom 'Big ticket' means - very costly.

108. Ans. C.

Idiom 'Up in arms' means - very angry.

109. Ans. B.

Idiom 'Ways and means' mean - methods of achieving something.

110. Ans. A.

Idiom 'To be in eclipse' means - To be less successful.

111. Ans. D.

The given sentence is error-free.

112. Ans. C.

The error is in part C of the given sentence.

Whenever 'one of' is used, sentence will be in plural.

113. Ans. D.

The given sentence is error-free.

114. Ans. A.

The error is in part A of the given sentence.

'been' cannot be used with 'was'. Remove 'been'.

115. Ans. B.

The error is in part B of the given sentence.

The entire sentence is in singular form, so singular form of 'modes' will be use which is 'mode'.

116. Ans. C.

The error is in part C of the given sentence.

The entire sentence is in present tense. And the subject 'we' is first person plural form, so the verb will be in plural i.e., 'fall'.

117. Ans. C.

The error is in part C of the given sentence.

With 'risk', we use the preposition 'at'.

118. Ans. C.

The error is in part C of the given sentence.

It should be 'is' instead of 'are'.

119. Ans. C.

The error is in part C of the given sentence.

With 'preferred' we use the preposition 'to' instead of 'than'.

120. Ans. A.

The error is in part A of the given sentence. 'He was doing' should come in place of 'He had been doing'.

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