

Test-II: English Language

Directions (Q. 41-45): Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the

sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer

is 5, i.e. 'No Error'. (Ignore errors of punctuations, if any.)

41. 1) Mangal Pandey was well known/ 2) because he was involved/ 3) in the initial stages/ 4) of the Indian rebellion./ 5) No Error

42. 1) Most of the Indian populations still lives/ 2) in its villages and thus the contribution of/ 3) agriculture to Indian economy/ 4) becomes very important. 5) No Error

43. 1) Catherine's grandfather always/ 2) lost his balance while walking/ 3) and would be found fallen/ 4) on the road./ 5) No Error

44. 1) Her doctor was/ 2) annoyed because she/ 3) ignore her health/ 4) even after being hospitalised twice./ 5) No Error

45. 1) Raghav was worry/ 2) about telling his parents/ 3) that he wanted to move out/ 4) and live independently. / 5) No Error

Directions (Q. 46-50): Each question below has a blank, each blank indicating that something has been omitted. Choose the word that best fits the meaning of

the sentence as a whole.

46. Rohit --- a huge library and has a large collection of books in it.

1) wants 2) has 3) wanted
4) had 5) needs

47. Rachna liked her room to be exactly the way she left it and she would ---- allow

anyone to touch her things.

1) always 2) sometimes 3) willingly
4) never 5) certainly

48. Elephants are the largest living land animals --- earth today.

1) in 2) and 3) on
4) like 5) at

49. Josephine was elated because the doctor confirmed the news --- her

pregnancy.

- 1) like 2) of 3) with
- 4) after 5) in

50. It --- been estimated that there may be many millions of species of plants, insects and micro organisms still undiscovered in tropical rainforests.

- 1) have 2) will 3) should
- 3) has 5) shall

Directions (Q. 51-55): In each question below, four words printed in bold type are

given. These are numbered (1), (2), (3) and (4). One of these words printed in bold

might either be wrongly spelt or inappropriate in the context of the sentence. Find out the word that is inappropriate or wrongly spelt, if any. The number of

the word is your answer. If the words printed in bold are correctly spelt and appropriate in the context of the sentence then mark (5), ie 'All Correct', as your answer.

51. The kidnappers asked for ransom and threatened to kill

- 1) 2) 3)
- Mr.Gopalan's son if their demands were not met. All correct
- 4) 5)

52. Ramesh spiled juice all over Raj's new clothes and

- 1) 2)
- did not even care to apologise. All Correct
- 3) 4) 5)

53. Ravi met with an accident and broke his leg the day

- 1) 2) 3)
- he bought his new car. All correct
- 4) 5)

54. Daisy loved children and so she would distribute sweets

- 1) 2)
- in an orphanage on her birthday. All Correct.
- 3) 4) 5)

55. Roshni wanted to play with her pet dog and

- 1) 2)
- so she started throwing tantrums. All Correct.
- 3) 4) 5)

Directions: (Q. 56-60): Rearrange the following eight sentences/ group of

sentences (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), (G) and (H) in the proper sequence to form

a meaningful paragraph; then answer the questions given below them.

- (A) During the examination, the invigilator noticed the chits and despite Rajesh's plea for innocence asked him to leave the examination hall.
- (B) At this point Ravish realised his mistake and felt guilty, so he immediately confessed his misdeed to the invigilator and left the examination hall.
- (C) Rajesh forgave Ravish because Ravish had not only accepted his mistake on time but also had not let Rajesh be punished for the wrong reason.
- (D) Ravish and Rajesh were in college and had been friends since childhood. However, Ravish did not trust Rajesh.
- (E) Another student, Satish, who had seen Ravish hiding something in Rajesh's desk, stood up and informed the invigilator of what he had seen.
- (F) One day Ravish decided to test Rajesh's friendship and so during one of the college examinations Ravish went early to class and hid some chits in Rajesh's desk.
- (G) Rajesh did not believe Satish, instead was furious that Satish had falsely blamed his friend and agreed that he would leave his examination only if Ravish was kept out of the matter.
- (H) After the examination was over, Ravish apologised to Rajesh, and promised that he would be a good friend from then onwards.

56. Which of the following should be the FIFTH sentence after rearrangement?

- 1) G 2) H 3) E
4) D 5) C

57. Which of the following should be the FOURTH sentence after rearrangement?

- 1) C 2) D 3) E
4) F 5) G

58. Which of the following should be the EIGHTH (LAST) sentence after rearrangement?

- 1) A 2) B 3) C
4) D 5) E

59. Which of the following should be the FIRST sentence after rearrangement?

- 1) A 2) B 3) C
4) D 5) F

60. Which of the following should be the SECOND sentence after rearrangement?

- 1) A 2) B 3) G
4) F 5) E

Directions (Q. 61-70): In the following passage, there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against

each, five words/ phrases are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately.

Find out the appropriate word/ phrase in each case.

Once upon a time, Amarasakti ruled the city-state of Mahilaropyam in the south of India. He had three witless sons who became a matter of endless (61) for him.

(62)

that his sons had no interest in learning, the king summoned his ministers and said, "You know I am not happy with my sons. According to men of learning, an unborn son is better than a son who is a (63). A son who is stupid will bring dishonour to his

father. How can I make my sons fit to be my (64)? I turn to you for advice".

One of the ministers (65) the name of Vishnu Sharman, a great scholar enjoying the (66) of hundreds of his disciples. "He is the most (67) person to tutor your children. Entrust them to his care and very soon you will see the change".

The king summoned Vishnu Sharman and pleaded with him "Oh, venerable scholar, take pity on me and please train my sons. Turn them into great scholars and I

will be (68) to you all my life". Vishnu Sharman said, "Oh, king, count six months from today. If I do not make your children great scholars, you can ask me to change

my (69)".

The king immediately called his sons and handed them over to the care of the learned man. Sharman took them to his monastery where he (70) teaching them.

Keeping his word, he finished the task the king entrusted to him in six months.

Thus,

the king, now, had scholars for sons.

61. 1) ache 2) worry 3) joy

4) pity 5) hazard

62. 1) fact 2) belief 3) since

4) realising 5) being

63. 1) stupid 2) brilliant 3) fool

4) uneducated 5) scholar

64. 1) self 2) places 3) successors

4) level 5) siblings

65. 1) suggested 2) requested 3) called

4) pointed 5) said

66. 1) teachings 2) attendance 3) glamour

4) rights 5) respect

67. 1) competent 2) right 3) easy

4) actual 5) skill

68. 1) happy 2) oblige 3) beside

4) indebted 5) disciple

69. 1) importance 2) name 3) clothes

4) location 5) life

70. 1) embark 2) mustered 3) begun

4) decided 5) started

Directions (Q. 71-80): Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it. Certain words/ phrases have been printed in bold to help you locate them while answering some of the questions.

A long time ago, on a big tree in the lap of a mountain, lived a bird named Sindhuka. It was a **rather** special bird because its droppings turned into gold as soon

as they hit the ground.

One day, a hunter came to the tree in search of prey and he saw Sindhuka's droppings hit the ground and turn into gold. The hunter was struck with wonder.

He

thought, "I have been hunting birds and small animals since I was a boy, but in all my

80 years, I have never seen such a miraculous creature". He decided that he had to catch the bird somehow. He climbed the tree and **skillfully** set a trap for the bird.

The

bird, quite unaware of the danger it was in, stayed on the tree and sang merrily. But it

was soon caught in the hunter's trap. The hunter immediately seized it and shoved it

into a cage.

The hunter took the bird home joyfully. But as he had time to think over his good fortune later, he suddenly realised, "If the king comes to know of this wonder, he will

certainly take away the bird from me and he might even punish me for keeping such

a rare treasure all to myself. So it would be safer and more honourable if I were to go

to the king and present the unique bird to him".

The next day, the hunter took the bird to the king and presented it to him in court with great **reverence**. The king was delighted to receive such an unusual and rare gift.

He told his courtiers to keep the bird safe and feed it with the best bird food available.

The king's prime minister, though, was **reluctant** to accept the bird. He said "O

Rajah, how can you believe the word of a foolish hunter and accept this bird? Has anyone in our kingdom ever seen a bird dropping gold? The hunter must be either crazy or telling lies. I think it is best that you **release** the bird from the cage". After a little thought, the king felt that his prime minister's words were correct. So he ordered the bird to be released. But as soon as the door of the cage was thrown open, the bird flew out, perched itself on a nearby doorway and defecated. To everyone's surprise, the dropping immediately turned into gold. The king mourned his loss.

71. Which of the following can possibly be the most appropriate title for the story?

- 1) The Skilled Hunter
- 2) The King's Prime Minister
- 3) The King's Defeat
- 4) The Bird With The Gold Dropping
- 5) The Trials And Tribulations Of The Foolish Bird Sindhuka

72. Which of the following emotions made the hunter gift the bird to the king?

- 1) Respect
- 2) Joy
- 3) Pride
- 4) Fear
- 5) Awe

73. Which of the following is TRUE according to the story?

- 1) Birds like Sindhuka were very common in the area near the mountain.
- 2) Sindhuka remained caged for the rest of its life.
- 3) Sindhuka was unaware of the trap laid by the hunter.
- 4) The king, when told to not accept the bird, did not listen to his prime minister.
- 5) All are true.

74. Why was the king's prime minister reluctant to accept the bird?

- 1) He believed that the bird would die if caged.
- 2) He knew about the hunter's habit of lying.
- 3) He believed that the bird would bring bad luck to the king.
- 4) His sources had informed him that the hunter was crazy.
- 5) None of these.

75. How did the hunter find Sindhuka?

- 1) He had read stories about the bird and had set traps at various locations in the city.
- 2) He followed the bird's droppings.
- 3) He was on the lookout for a prey when he chanced upon it.
- 4) People from the city had informed him about the bird's whereabouts.
- 5) He was attracted by the bird's calls.

Directions (Q. 76-78): Choose the word/ group of words which is most similar in

meaning to the word/ group of words printed in bold as used in the passage.

76. RATHER

1) regular 2) quite 3) instead 4) but 5) known

77. RELEASE

1) free 2) vacate 3) vent 4) let expire 5) make public

78. REVERENCE

1) respect 2) detail 3) astonishment

4) hope 5) remembrance

Directions (Q. 79-80): Choose the word which is most OPPOSITE in meaning to

the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

79. RELUCTANT

1) true 2) clever 3) averse 4) hesitant 5) keen

80. SKILFULLY

1) angrily 2) haphazardly 3) highly 4) cheaply 5) deftly

