KMAT KERALA ENTRANCE EXAMINATION 2018 FOR MBA COURSE
Date of Examination: 04.02.2018
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SECTION 1 - ENGLISH LANGUAGE USAGE AND READING

COMPREHENSION. (50 questions)

Direction (for Q.No.1-5): Identify the misspelled word in the list below:

1.
   a) Hemorrhage
   b) Harrass
   c) Handkerchief
   d) Hypocrisy

2.
   a) Occasion
   b) Occurrence
   c) Orangutan
   d) Opponant

3.
   a) Quixotic
   b) Quite
   c) Questionaire
   d) Quarantine

4.
   a) Rhythmical
   b) Reminiscence
   c) Rhumatism
   d) Reservoir

5.
   a) Fluorescent
   b) Fulfill
   c) Fascimile
   d) Fictitious
Direction (for Q.No.6-15):
Identify the word that has the same meaning in the list given below:

6. Recuperate
   a) Rehabilitate
   b) Recover
   c) Reimburse
   d) Relocate

7. Augury
   a) Prophecy
   b) Astronomy
   c) Intention
   d) Future

8. Dialectic
   a) Argumentative
   b) Instructive
   c) Constructive
   d) Destructive

9. Disparage
   a) Scatter
   b) Discriminate
   c) Belittle
   d) Waste

10. Fugitive
    a) Escaping
    b) Enduring
    c) Vain
    d) Weak

11. Goad
    a) Sooth
    b) Save
    c) Irritate
    d) Worship

12. Imperceptible
    a) Mean
    b) Obvious
    c) Humble
    d) Subtle
13. Wretched
   a) Poor
   b) Foolish
   c) Insane
   d) Strained

14. Abstruse
   a) Awful
   b) Irrelevant
   c) Shallow
   d) Profound

15. Foment
   a) Exterminate
   b) Provok
   c) Isolation
   d) Abrasion

**Direction (for Q.No.16-20):**
Identify the word that has opposite meaning in the list given below:

16. Relinquish
   a) Abdicate
   b) Renounce
   c) Possess
   d) Deny

17. Quiescent
   a) Active
   b) Dormant
   c) Weak
   d) Unconcerned

18. Obscure
   a) Implicit
   b) Obnoxious
   c) Explicit
   d) Pedantic

19. Loquacious
   a) Reticent
   b) Talkative
   c) Garrulous
   d) Verbos
20. Impasse

a) Resurgence
b) Breakthrough
c) Continuation
d) Combination

Direction (for Q.No.21-25):

In the following questions, each passage consists of six sentences. The first and the sixth sentence (as S1 and S6) are given in the beginning. The middle four sentences in each have been removed and jumbled up. These are labeled as P, Q, R and S. You are required to find out the proper sequence of the four sentences and mark accordingly on the answer sheet.

21. S1: Smoke oozed up between the planks.
   S6: Most people bore the shock bravely.
   
P: Passengers were told to be ready to quit the ship.
Q: The rising gale fanned the smouldering fire.
R: Everyone now knew there was fire on board.
S: Flames brake out here and there.

The proper sequence should be
a) RSQP
b) PQRS
c) SQPR
d) QSRP

22. S1: Ants eat worms, centipedes and spiders.
   S6: Some jump, and some give out a pungent repellent substance.
   
P: They are usually much quicker than the ant itself.
Q: Nevertheless, these animals do not make easy game for ants.
R: Besides, they have an extraordinary number of ways of escaping.
S: They also eat larvae and insect adults such as flies, moths and spring tails.

The proper sequence should be
a) SQPR
b) SPRQ
c) SQRP
d) SRQP
23. S1: While talking to a group, one should feel self-confident and courageous.
   S6: Any man can develop his capacity if he has the desire to do so.

   P: Nor is it a gift bestowed by providence on only a few.
   Q: One should also learn how to think calmly and clearly.
   R: It is like the ability to play golf.
   S: It is not as difficult as most men imagine

   The proper sequence should be
   a) SQPR
   b) QSPR
   c) QRSR
   d) RSQP

24. S1: I keep on flapping my big ears all day.
   S6: Am I not a smart, intelligent elephant?

   P: They also fear that I will flip them all away.
   Q: But children wonder why I flap them so.
   R: I flap them so to make sure they are safely there on either side of my head.
   S: But I know what I am doing.

   The proper sequence should be
   a) SRQP
   b) QPSR
   c) QPRS
   d) PSQR

25. S1: Politeness is not a quality possessed by only one nation or race.
   S6: In any case, we should not mock at others' habits.

   P: One may observe that a man of one nation will remove his hat or fold his hands by way of greetings when he meets someone he knows.
   Q: A man of another country will not do so.
   R: It is a quality to be found among all peoples and nations in every corner of the earth.
   S: Obviously, each person follows the custom of his particular country.
The Proper sequence should be:
  a) RPQS
  b) RPSQ
  c) PRQS
  d) QPRS

**Direction (for Q.No.26-30):**

You are required to convert the sentence given in the questions into indirect speech.

26. "Are you alone, my son?" asked a soft voice close behind me.
   a) A soft voice asked that what I was doing there alone.
   b) A soft voice said to me are you alone son.
   c) A soft voice from my back asked if I was alone.
   d) A soft voice behind me asked if I was alone.

27. The little girl said to her mother, "Did the sun rise in the East?"
   a) The little girl said to her mother that the sun rose in the East.
   b) The little girl asked her mother if the sun rose in the East.
   c) The little girl said to her mother if the sun rises in the East.
   d) The little girl asked her mother if the sun is in the East.

28. My cousin said, "My room-mate had snored throughout the night."
   a) My cousin said that her room-mate snored throughout the night.
   b) My cousin told me that her room-mate snored throughout the night.
   c) My cousin complained to me that her room-mate is snoring throughout the night.
   d) My cousin felt that her room-mate may be snoring throughout the night.

29. "Please don't go away", she said.
   a) She said to please her and not go away.
   b) She told me to go away.
   c) She begged me not to go away.
   d) She begged that I not go away.

30. I said to him, "Why are you working so hard?"
   a) I asked him why he was working so hard.
   b) I asked him why he was working so hard.
   c) I asked him why had he been working so hard.
   d) I asked him why he had been working so hard.
Direction (for Q.No.31-40):
Read the following passages and answer the questions that follow:

Passage I

Speech is great blessings but it can also be great curse, for while it helps us to make our intentions and desires known to our fellows, it can also, if we use it carelessly, make our attitude completely misunderstood. A slip of the tongue, the use of unusual word, or of an ambiguous word, and so on, may create an enemy where we had hoped to win a friend. Again, different classes of people use different vocabularies, and the ordinary speech of an educated may strike an uneducated listener as pompous. Unwittingly, we may use a word which bears a different meaning to our listener from what it does to men of our own class. Thus speech is not a gift to use lightly without thought, but one which demands careful handling. Only a fool will express himself alike to all kinds and conditions of men.

31. The best way to win a friend is to avoid
a) irony in speech
b) pomposity in speech
c) verbosity in speech
d) ambiguity in speech

32. While talking to an uneducated person, we should use
a) ordinary speech
b) his vocabulary
c) simple words
d) polite language

33. If one used the same style of language with everyone, one would sound
a) flat
b) boring
c) foolish
d) democratic

34. A ‘slip of the tongue’ means something said
a) wrongly by choice
b) unintentionally
c) without giving proper thought
d) to hurt another person

35. Speech can be curse, because it can
a) hurt others
b) lead to carelessness
c) create misunderstanding
d) reveal our intentions
Passage II

Many sociologists have argued that there is functional relationship between education and economic system. They point to the fact that mass formal education began in industrial society. They note that the expansion of the economies of industrial societies is accompanied by a corresponding expansion of their educational systems. They explain this correspondence in terms of the needs of industry for skilled and trained manpower, needs which are met by the educational system. Thus, the provision of mass elementary education in Britain in 1870 can be seen as a response to the needs of industry for a literate and numerate workforce at a time when industrial processes were becoming more complex and the demand for technical skills was steadily growing.

36. The industry needs a literate work force because
   a) its expansion needs sound learning
   b) it relies heavily on expertise
   c) it promotes a competitive spirit
   d) its operations need intricate technical knowledge

37. The author argues that
   a) formal education can be traced to industrial society
   b) industrial society is responsible for expansion of education at mass level
   c) industrial society gave rise to vocational education
   d) industrial society changed the pattern of education

38. The observation of the sociologists are based on a study of
   a) the statistical data available in a historical context
   b) economic system of the 19th century
   c) the correlation between industry and education in a historical context
   d) growth of industry in 19th century

39. The sociologists referred to in the passage say that the relationship between
   industry and elementary education was one
   a) based on mutual need
   b) based entirely on the need of the industry
   c) based entirely on economic need
   d) based on some inexplicable historical forces

40. By ‘functional relationship’ is meant
   a) a short-term relationship
   b) practical and utilitarian relationship
   c) temporary arrangement
   d) close and unbreakable relationship
Direction (for Q.No.41-45):
Identify the sentence with the same meaning.

41. Go to bed immediately or you can’t get up early tomorrow.
   a) If you didn’t go to bed immediately you couldn’t get up early tomorrow.
   b) If you went to bed immediately you could get up early tomorrow.
   c) If you don’t go to bed immediately you can’t get up early tomorrow.
   d) If you go to bed immediately you can’t get up early tomorrow.

42. We didn’t recognize him until he came into the light.
   a) It was not until we recognized him that he comes into the light.
   b) It was not until he came into the light that we recognized him.
   c) It was not until we didn’t recognize him that he came into the light.
   d) It was not until he came into the light that we didn’t recognize him.

43. He didn’t work hard, so he failed the exam.
   a) If he hadn’t worked hard, he would have failed the exam.
   b) He wouldn’t have failed the exam, if he had worked hard.
   c) If he worked hard, he wouldn’t fail the exam.
   d) He hadn’t failed the exam, if he would have worked hard.

44. It rains so we can’t go to school.
   a) If it rains, I could go to school.
   b) If it didn’t rain, I could go to school.
   c) If it not rain, I could go to school.
   d) If it rains, I can go to school.

45. He asked me how I earned my living.
   a) He wanted to know what my job was.
   b) He wanted to know how I lived.
   c) He wanted to know how I enjoyed my life.
   d) He wanted to know how much I got for a salary.
Direction (for Q.No.46-50):

In questions given below, out of four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

46. One who studies the pattern of voting in election
   a) Anthropologist
   b) Cartographer
   c) Lexicographer
   d) Psephologist

47. One who has little faith in human sincerity and goodness
   a) Egoist
   b) Fatalist
   c) Stoic
   d) Cynic

48. Habitually silent or talking little
   a) Servile
   b) Unequivocal
   c) Taciturn
   d) Synoptic

49. Medical study of skin and its diseases
   a) Dermatology
   b) Endocrinology
   c) Genealogy
   d) Orthopedics

50. A disease of mind causing an uncontrollable desire to steal
   a) Schizophrenia
   b) Claustrophobia
   c) Kleptomania
   d) Megalomania
SECTION 2-QUANTITATIVE APTITUDE (50 questions)

Directions: (for Q.No.51-100)
For each of the following questions, select the choice that best answers the question or completes the statement.

51. The greatest number of four digits which is divisible by 15, 25, 40, 75 is:
   a) 9000  
   b) 9400  
   c) 9600  
   d) 9800

52. If a = 0.1039, then the value of $4a^2 - 4a + 1 + 3a$ is:
   a) 0.1039  
   b) 0.2078  
   c) 1.1039  
   d) 2.1039

53. The product of two numbers is 9375 and the quotient, when the larger one is divided by the smaller, is 15. The sum of the numbers is:
   a) 380  
   b) 395  
   c) 400  
   d) 425

54. Present ages of Sameer and Anand are in the ratio of 5:4 respectively. Three years hence, the ratio of their ages will become 11:9 respectively. What is Anand’s present age in years?
   a) 24  
   b) 27  
   c) 40  
   d) 43

55. Some articles were bought at 6 articles for Rs.5 and sold at 5 articles for Rs.6. Gain percent is:
   a) 30%  
   b) 33.3%  
   c) 35%  
   d) 44%
56. Mr. Thomos invested an amount of Rs. 13,900 divided in two different schemes A and B at the simple interest rate of 14% p.a and 11% p.a respectively. If the total amount of simple interest earned in 2 years be Rs. 3508, what was the amount invested in scheme B?

a) Rs. 6400  
b) Rs. 6500  
c) Rs. 7200  
d) Rs. 7500

57. A, B, C subscribe Rs. 50,000 for a business. A subscribes Rs. 4000 more than B and B Rs. 5000 more than C. Out of a total profit of Rs. 35,000, A receives

a) Rs. 8,400  
b) Rs. 11,900  
c) Rs. 13,600  
d) Rs. 14,700

58. The true discount on a bill due 9 months hence at 16% per annum is Rs. 189. The amount of the bill is:

a) Rs. 1386  
b) Rs. 1764  
c) Rs. 1575  
d) Rs. 2268

59. The Captain of a cricket team of 11 members is 26 years old and the wicket keeper is 3 years older. If the ages of these two are excluded, the average age of the remaining players is one year less than the average age of the whole team. What is the average age of the team?

a) 23 years  
b) 24 years  
c) 25 years  
d) None of these

60. Three partners shared the profit in a business in the ratio of 5:7:8. They had partnered for 14 months, 8 months and 7 months respectively. What was the ratio of their investment?

a) 5:7:8  
b) 20:49:64  
c) 38:28:21  
d) None of the above
61. Ten women can complete a work in 7 days and ten children take 14 days to complete the work. How many days will five women and ten children take to complete the work?

   a) 3
   b) 5
   c) 7
   d) 9

62. The salaries of A, B and C are in the ratio 1:3:4. If the salaries are increased by 5%, 10% and 15% respectively, then the increased salaries will be in the ratio

   a) 20:66:95
   b) 21:66:96
   c) 21:66:92
   d) 19:66:92

63. A train 240 m long passes a pole in 24 seconds. How long will it take to pass a platform 650 m long?

   a) 65 sec
   b) 89 sec
   c) 100 sec
   d) 150 sec

64. A cistern has a leak which would empty the cistern in 20 minutes. A tap is turned on which admits 4 liters a minute into the cistern, and it is emptied in 24 minutes. How many liters does the cistern hold?

   a) 360 lit
   b) 480 lit
   c) 320 lit
   d) 420 lit

65. Compound interest earned on a sum for the second and the third years are Rs.1200 and Rs.1440 respectively. Find the rate of interest?

   a) 20 % p.a
   b) 15 % p.a
   c) 18 % p.a
   d) 24 % p.a
66. A certain sum of money is invested for one year at a certain rate of simple interest. If the rate of interest is 3% higher, then the interest earned will be 25% more than the interest earned earlier. What is the earlier rate of interest?

a) 4 % p.a
b) 6 % p.a
c) 8 % p.a
d) 12 % p.a

67. A person takes 20 minutes more to cover a certain distance by decreasing his speed by 20%. What is the time taken to cover the distance at his original speed?

a) 1 hr
b) 1 hr 20 min
c) 1 hr 10 min
d) 50 min

68. Calculate the number of bricks, each measuring 25 cm X 15 cm X 8 cm required to construct a wall of dimension of 10 m X 4 m X 5 m when 10% of its volume is occupied by concrete?

a) 6000
b) 5400
c) 3800
d) 4700

69. Arun purchased 30 Kg of wheat at the rate of Rs.11.50 per Kg and 20 Kg of wheat at the rate of 14.25 per Kg. He mixed the two and sold the mixture. Approximately at what price per Kg should the mixture be sold to make 30% profit?

a) Rs.17.80
b) Rs.16.40
c) Rs.14
d) Rs.15.40
70. The average mark of four subjects is 120. If 33 was misread as 13 during the calculation, what will be the correct average?

a) 122  
b) 120  
c) 125  
d) 121

71. Simplify the following equation:

\[2003 \times 2004 - 2001 \times 2002 = ?\]

a) 8010  
b) 8020  
c) 8030  
d) 8040

72. Find the least number with which 16200 should be multiplied, to make it a perfect cube?

a) 45  
b) 48  
c) 360  
d) 36

73. Ravi and Ajay start simultaneously from a place A towards B 60 km apart. Ravi's speed is 4km/h less than that of Ajay. Ajay, after reaching B, turns back and meets Ravi at a place 12 km away from B. Ravi's speed is:

a) 12 km/h  
b) 10 km/h  
c) 8 km/h  
d) 6 km/h

74. The angle between the minute hand and the hour hand of a clock when the time is 4:20 is:

a) 0°  
b) 10°  
c) 5°  
d) 20°
75. The diagonal of the floor of a rectangle closet is 7.5 m. The shorter side of the closet is 4.5 m. What is the area of the closet in square meter?

a) 37  
b) 27  
c) 54/4  
d) 21/4

76. Find the average increase rate, if increase in the population in the first year is 30% and that in the second year is 40%.

a) 41  
b) 56  
c) 40  
d) 38

77. From a group of 7 men and 6 women, five persons are to be selected to form a committee so that at least 3 men are there on the committee. In how many ways can it be done?

a) 564  
b) 645  
c) 735  
d) 756

78. Which of the following is the smallest?

a) 15/16  
b) 16/6  
c) 7/8  
d) 11/12

79. If 1cm on a map corresponds to an actual distance of 40 kms and the distance on the map between Bombay and Calcutta is 37.5 cm, then the actual distance between them is:

a) 375 kms  
b) 3750 kms  
c) 1500 kms  
d) 1375 kms
80. The numbers 34041 and 32506 when divided by a certain number of three digits, leave the same remainder. What is the number?

a) 535  
b) 405  
c) 357  
d) 307

81. A line segment is drawn from the point (3, 5) to the point (9, 13). What are the coordinates of the midpoint of this line segment?

a) (3, 4)  
b) (6, 8)  
c) (9, 6)  
d) (6, 9)

82. Ravi is standing 180 meters due north of point P. Latha is standing 240 meters due west of point P. What is the shortest distance between Ravi and Latha?

a) 60 meters  
b) 300 meters  
c) 420 meters  
d) 900 meters

83. The ratio of x to y is 1/2. If the ratio of x + 2 to y + 1 is 2/3, then what is the value of x?

a) 6  
b) 4  
c) 3  
d) 2

84. A man and a boy received Rs. 800 as wages for 5 days for the work they did together. The man's efficiency in the work was thrice that of the boy. What are the daily wages of the boy?

a) Rs. 76  
b) Rs. 56  
c) Rs. 44  
d) Rs. 40

85. The square root of 64009 is:

a) 253  
b) 347  
c) 363  
d) 803
86. 4.036 divided by 0.04 gives:
   a) 100.9
   b) 10.09
   c) 100.9
   d) None of these

87. What decimal of an hour is second?
   a) 0.0025
   b) 0.0256
   c) 0.00027
   d) 0.000126

88. The sum of two number is 25 and their difference is 13. Find their product.
   a) 104
   b) 114
   c) 315
   d) 325

89. The length of a rectangle is halved, while its breadth is tripled. What is the percentage change in area?
   a) 25% increase
   b) 50% increase
   c) 50% decrease
   d) 75% decrease

90. If \( a - b = 3 \) and \( a^2 + b^2 = 29 \), find the value of \( ab \).
   a) 10
   b) 12
   c) 15
   d) 18

91. The price of 10 chairs is equal to that of 4 tables. The price of 15 chairs and 2 tables together is Rs.4000. The total price of 12 chairs and 3 tables is:
   a) Rs.3500
   b) Rs.3750
   c) Rs.3840
   d) Rs.3900
92. There are two examination rooms, A and B. If 10 students are sent from A to B, then the number of students in each room is the same. If 20 candidates are sent from B to A, then the number of students in A is double the number of students in B. The number of students in room A is:
   a) 20
   b) 80
   c) 100
   d) 200

93. What is the total surface area of a right circular cone of height 14 cm and base radius 7 cm?
   a) 344.35 cm²
   b) 462 cm²
   c) 498.35 cm²
   d) None of these

94. A hall is 15 m long and 12 m broad. If the sum of the areas of the floor and the ceiling is equal to the sum of the areas of four walls, the volume of the hall is:
   a) 720
   b) 900
   c) 1200
   d) 1800

95. How many of the following numbers are divisible by 3 but not by 9?
   2133, 2343, 3474, 4131, 5286, 5340, 6336, 7347, 8115, 9276
   a) 5
   b) 6
   c) 7
   d) None of these

96. In a camp, there is a meal for 120 men or 200 children. If 150 children have taken the meal, how many men will be catered to with remaining meal?
   a) 20
   b) 30
   c) 40
   d) 50