

## English Language &amp; Comprehension

**Directions (101-105):** In the following questions, some of the sentences have errors and some have none. Find out which part of a sentence has an error.

The number of that part is your answer. If there is no

error, your answer (4) i.e. No error.

101. (a) They agreed  
(b) to repair the damage  
(c) freely of charge  
(d) No error
102. (a) When Darun heard the news that his father had been hospitalised  
(b) he cancelled his trip  
(c) and returned back to his village  
(d) No error
103. (a) The Governing Board  
(b) comprises of  
(c) several distinguished personalities  
(d) No error
104. (a) My uncle does not spend  
(b) so much money on that house  
(c) unless he thinks of moving in soon  
(d) No error
105. (a) Neither my sister nor my brother  
(b) are interested  
(c) in moving to another house  
(d) No error

**Directions (106-110):** In the following sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with the appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four.

106. If I \_\_\_\_ a doctor, I would serve the poor.  
(a) am  
(b) had been  
(c) were  
(d) was
107. He is weak \_\_\_\_ he does a lot of work.  
(a) and (b) yet  
(c) because (d) so
108. Mahesh showed an \_\_\_\_ for sports at a very early stage.  
(a) attitude (b) aptitude  
(c) imagination (d) intuition

109. For \_\_\_\_ sake don't tell it to others.

- (a) haven (b) heaven  
(c) heavens (d) heaven's

110. Napoleon's army \_\_\_\_ to the Russian soldiers without any flight.  
(a) evaded (b) decimated  
(c) capitulated (d) cordoned

**Directions (111-115):** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word.

111. Supersede  
(a) suspend (b) enforce  
(c) repeal (d) set aside
112. Perilous  
(a) monstrous (b) dangerous  
(c) cautious (d) dubious
113. Affluence  
(a) richness (b) difficulty  
(c) influence (d) awkwardness
114. Bifurcated  
(a) dissected into pieces  
(b) divided into two  
(c) thoroughly evaluate  
(d) verbally abused

115. Consensus

- (a) unanimity (b) equanimity  
(c) magnanimity (d) proximity

**Directions (116-120):** In the following questions, choose the word opposite in meaning to the given word.

116. Salient  
(a) correct (b) insignificant  
(c) central (d) convenient
117. Dormant  
(a) strong (b) reveal  
(c) disguise (d) pretended

118. Camouflage  
 (a) hide (b) reveal  
 (c) disguise (d) pretended

119. Latent  
 (a) primitive (b) evident  
 (c) potent (d) talented

120. Ample  
 (a) meagre (b) quantitative  
 (c) sufficient (d) tasty

**Directions (121-125): In the following questions, four alternative are given for the idiom/phrase underlined in the sentence. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.**

121. He is always praised for his gift of the gab.  
 (a) being lucky  
 (b) getting something free  
 (c) talent for speaking  
 (d) great skill
122. The teacher's extra hours of coaching went a long way in improving the student's performance.  
 (a) took great effort  
 (b) spent a lot of time  
 (c) extended widely  
 (d) helped considerably
123. The administration found it difficult to cope with the striking employees.  
 (a) move (b) compromise  
 (c) handle (d) subdue
124. The criminal was pardoned at the eleventh hour just as he was about to be hanged.  
 (a) at eleven o'clock  
 (b) suddenly  
 (c) at the very last moment  
 (d) at midnight

125. He spoke well though it was his maiden speech.  
 (a) long speech (b) brief speech  
 (c) first speech (d) emotional speech

**Directions (126-130): In the following questions, apart of the sentences is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part at (1), (2) and (3), which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is needed, your answer is (4).**

126. He was released from the hospital yesterday  
 (a) let out (b) discharged  
 (c) dismissed (d) No improvement
127. The colours softened as the sun went down.  
 (a) brightened (b) deepened  
 (c) mellowed (d) No improvement
128. The new manager is soft – spoken and is considerable to all.  
 (a) conceited (b) considerate  
 (c) constricted (d) No improvement
129. He hanged his portrait in the main hall.  
 (a) hang (b) hung  
 (c) had hanged (d) No improvement
130. We were unable to call on you because of the rains.  
 (a) help (b) invite  
 (c) visit (d) No improvement

**Directions (131-135): In the following questions, a group of four alternatives is given. Choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/ sentences.**

131. To feel or express disapproval of something or someone.  
 (a) declare (b) deprive  
 (c) depreciate (d) deprecate

132. Handwriting that cannot be read

- (a) ineligible (b) decipher  
(c) ugly (d) illegible

133. Animals that can live on land and in water

- (a) anthropoids (b) aquatics  
(c) amphibians (d) aquarians

134. Easily duped or fooled

- (a) insensible (b) perceptible  
(c) gullible (d) indefensible

135. Fear of water

- (a) claustrophobia  
(b) hydrophobia  
(c) insomnia (d) obsession

**Directions (136-140): In the following question, groups of four words are given. In each group, one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.**

136. (a) despondant (b) detrimental

- (c) diaphanous (d) dilapidated

137. (a) sepearate (b) confidance

- (c) reference (d) prosperous

138. (a) reprimand (b) resplendant

- (c) respository (d) requisite

139. (a) necter (b) necessary

- (c) punctuation (d) punjent

140. (a) irrelevance (b) maintence

- (c) exuberance (d) acquaintence

powerfully and 146 aggressively 147 its break.  
As the 148 and fastest bird in the world, it 149  
need to 150 its head.

141. (a) In keeping with

- (b) As per (c) According to  
(d) Contrary to

142. (a) fact (b) view

- (c) expectation (d) belief

143. (a) resist (b) avoid

- (c) face (d) encounter

144. (a) with (b) for

- (c) at (d) to

145. (a) one (b) per

- (c) a (d) every

146. (a) peck (b) play

- (c) push (d) poke

147. (a) on (b) through

- (c) with (d) by

148. (a) larger (b) largest

- (c) more large (d) largest

149. (a) doesn't (b) did

- (c) does (d) didn't

150. (a) put (b) cover

- (c) shield (d) bury

**Directions (141-150): In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. First read the passage over and try to understand what it is about. The fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given.**

#### PASSAGE

141 the common 142, the ostrich does not bury  
its head in the sand to 143 danger. A ostrich can  
run 144 a speed of forty-five miles 145 hour, kick

## Answer

101.(c) 102. (c) 103.(b) 104.(a) 105(d) 106(c) 107(b) 108(b) 109(d) 110(c)  
111(c) 112 (b) 113(a) 114(b) 115(a) 116(a) 117(d) 118(b) 119(d) 120(a)  
121(c) 122 (d) 123(c) 124(c) 125(c) 126(b) 127(b) 128(b) 129(b) 130(b)  
131(d) 132 (d) 133(c) 134(c) 135(b) 136(d) 137(d) 138(b) 139(d) 140(c)  
141(d) 142 (d) 143(d) 144(c) 145(b) 146(a) 147(c) 148(b) 149(a) 150(d)