

**Objective Type Test (Nov-2019) for Recruitment of Senior Scale Stenographer in the
Department of Punjab Public Service Commission, Government of Punjab**

Total Questions: 120
Time Allowed: 2 Hours 30 Minutes

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10. The candidate MUST READ INSTRUCTIONS BEHIND THE OMR SHEET before start answering the Questions and check that two carbon copies attached to the OMR sheet are intact.

Section I

Directions: (Questions 1 to 3): In each of the following questions, a number series is given with one term missing. Choose the correct alternative that will continue the same pattern and replace the question mark in the given series.

1. 1,3,4,8,15,27, ?
a) 37 b) 44 c) 50 d) 55
2. 625, 5, 125, 25, 25, ?, 5
a) 5 b) 25 c) 125 d) 625
3. 0, 4, 6, 3, 7, 9, 6, ?,12
a) 8 b) 10 c) 11 d) 14

Directions: (Questions 4 to 8): In each of the following questions, there is a certain relationship between two given words on one side of :: and one word is given on another side of :: while another word is to be found from the given alternative, having the same relation with this word as the words of the given pair bear. Choose the correct alternative.

4. Mango : Fruit :: Potato : ?
a) Root b) Fruit c) Stem d) Flower
5. Winter : Hibernation :: Summer : ?
a) Survival b) Activation c) Aestivation d) Cache
6. Wood : Chip :: Bread : ?
a) Bit b) Splinter c) Crumb d) Scrap
7. Monday : Saturday :: Thursday : ?
a) Sunday b) Tuesday c) Wednesday d) Friday
8. Wine : Cellar :: Weapons : ?
a) Godown b) Arsenal c) Armoury d) Dungeon
9. BEGK is related to ADFJ in the same way as PSVY is related to
a) LOQT b) ROUX c) OTUZ d) ORUX

Directions: (Questions 10 to 11) Each of the following questions consists of a pair of letter-groups that have a certain relationship to each other, followed by four other pairs of letter-

groups given as alternatives. Select the pair in which the letter-groups are similarly related as in the given pair.

10. BC : FG
a) PQ : ST b) HI : LM c) AD : PQ d) JK : LM

11. LLAMS : SMALL
a) RENID : DINER b) CHART : TRACH
c) BARK : KRAB d) TREE : EERT

Directions: (Questions 12 to 16): In each of the following questions, four words have been given out of which three are alike in some manner, while the fourth one is different. Choose out the odd one.

12. a) Apple b) Litchi c) Guava d) Orange

13. a) Sleet b) Hailstone c) Vapour d) Mist

14. a) Giraffe b) Hyena c) Rhinoceros d) Zebra

15. a) Cucumber b) Brinjal c) Carrot d) Gourd

16. a) Dagger b) Hammer c) Knife d) Sword

17. In a certain code, BREAKTHROUGH is written as EAOUHRBRGHKT. How is DISTRIBUTION written in that code?
a) TISTBUONDIRI b) STTIBUONRIDI
c) STTIBUDIONRI d) RISTTIBUDION

18. If CONTRIBUTE is written as ETBUIRNTOC, then which letter will be in the sixth place when counted from the left if POPULARISE is written in the same way?
a) R b) I c) A d) L

19. If FRAGRANCE is written as SBHSBODFG, how can IMPOSING be written?
a) NQPTJHOJ b) NQPTJOHI c) NQTPJOHJ d) NQPTJOHJ

Directions (Questions 20 to 24): Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below:

The consonants of English alphabet have been coded by using digits 1 to 8 and the vowels have been coded by using different symbols.

Letters	G	B	K	H	Z	M	F
	R	V	C	S	D	Q	X
	J	N	T	L	W	Y	P
Digit	5	4	1	3	2	8	7

If any vowel is not in the beginning or last, it is coded as 6. If any vowel is at the beginning or in the last, it is coded as 9. However, if the same vowel is placed at both beginning and in the last, it is coded as '\$' at both the places.

Now, choose the correct coded forms of each of the following letter-groups.

20. AFDQENI
 a) 6728949 b) \$72864\$ c) 9728649 d) 9728949
21. ENIANGE
 a) 6499456 b) \$46645\$ c) \$4\$\$45\$ d) 9466456
22. PKDEJHI
 a) 7126539 b) 712653\$ c) 7129539 d) 712\$53\$
23. OPTIONAL
 a) 67199493 b) 97166463 c) \$7166463 d) \$7199493
24. EGTARLQE
 a) \$51\$538\$ b) 95165389
 c) \$519538\$ d) None of these
25. If the letters in PRABA are coded as 27595 and THILAK are coded as 368451, how can BHARATI be coded?
 a) 9567568 b) 9675538 c) 9657538 d) 9567538
26. If in a certain code language, PREMONITION is written as 68530492904, how will the word MONITOR be written in that code language?
 a) 1234567 b) 3029408 c) 3049208 d) 3049258

Directions (Questions 27 to 28) : In a certain code language,

- (A) 'pit dar na' means 'you are good';
 (B) 'dar tok pa' means 'good and bad';

(C) 'tim na tok' means 'they are bad'.

27. In that language, which word stand for 'they'?

- a) na b) tok c) tim d) pit

28. To find the answer to the above question, which of the given statements can be dispensed with?

- a) Only B b) A or B
c) B and C d) None of these

Directions (Questions 29 to 31): In a certain code, 'it be pee' means 'roses are blue', 'sik hee' means 'red flowers' and 'pee mit hee' means 'flowers are vegetables'.

29. How is 'red' written in that code?

- a) hee b) sik
c) be d) Cannot be determined

30. How is 'roses' written in that code?

- a) il b) pee
c) be d) Cannot be determined

31. How is 'vegetables are red flowers' written in this code?

- a) Pee sik mit hee b) sik pee hee be
c) il sik mit hee d) Cannot be determined

Directions (Questions 32 to 35): Read the following information carefully and answer the questions given below:

Prashant Arora has three children – Sangeeta, Vimal and Ashish. Ashish married Monika, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy. The Roys married their youngest daughter to the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Sharma, and they had two children named Amit and Shashi. The Roys have two more children, Roshan and Vandana, both elder to Veena, Sameer and Ajay are sons of Ashish and Monika. Rashmi is the daughter of Amit.

32. What is the surname of Rashmi?

- a) Sharma b) Roy
c) Arora d) Cannot be determined

33. How is Sameer related to Monika's father?

- a) Grandson b) Son c) Cousin d) Son-in-law

34. What is the surname of Sameer?

- a) Roy b) Sharma
c) Arora d) Cannot be determined

35. How is Mrs. Roy related to Ashish?

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| a) Aunt | b) Mother-in-law |
| c) Mother | d) Sister-in-law |

Directions (Questions 36 to 39): Study the following information carefully and answer the given questions:

A Business School with Six Professors L, M, N, O, P and Q has decided to implement a new scheme of course management. Each Professor has to coordinate one course and support another course. This semester, O's support course is Finance, while three others have it in coordinator's role. P and Q have marketing as one of their subjects. Q coordinates Operations, which is a support course for both N and P. Finance and IT are L's subjects. Both L and O have same subjects. Strategy is a support course for only one of the Professors.

36. Who coordinates the IT course?

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| a) L | b) N |
| c) O | d) None of these |

37. Which course is supported by M?

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| a) Operations | b) IT | c) Strategy | d) Finance |
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38. Who among the following are coordinating the Finance course?

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| a) L and N | b) N and O | c) L, M and N | d) M, N and O |
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39. Which course has only one coordinating and one support Professor?

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| a) Strategy | b) Marketing | c) Operations | d) Finance |
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Directions (Questions 40 to 44): Study the following information carefully and answer the given questions:

Four players A, B, C and D are holding 4 cards each. Each of them has an Ace, a King, a Queen and a Jack. All of them have all the suits (spades, hearts, clubs and diamonds).

I. A has Ace of spades and Queen of diamonds.

II. B has Ace of clubs and King of diamonds.

III. C has Queen of clubs and King of spades.

IV. D has jack of clubs.

40. Ace of diamonds is with

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| a) A | b) B | c) C | d) D |
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41. Jack of hearts is with

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| a) A | b) B | c) C | d) D |
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42. Queen of spades is with

- | | | | |
|------|------|------|------|
| a) A | b) B | c) C | d) D |
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43. C has which of the following with him?
 a) Ace of hearts
 b) Jack of spades
 c) King of hearts
 d) Queen of spades
44. D has which of the following with him?
 a) Ace of hearts
 b) Queen of hearts
 c) King of hearts
 d) King of clubs

Directions (Questions 45 to 48): Answer these questions based on the following information:

Mr. Bankatlal acted as a judge for the beauty contest. There were four participants, viz; Ms Andhra Pradesh, Ms. Uttar Pradesh, Ms. West Bengal and Ms. Maharashtra. Mrs. Bankatlal, who was very anxious about the result asked him about it as soon as he was back home. Mr. Bankatlal just told that the one who was wearing the yellow saree won the contest. When Mrs. Bankatlal pressed for further details, he elaborated as follows:

- (A) All of them were sitting in a row.
 (B) All of them wore sarees of different colours viz;, green, yellow, white, red.
 (C) There was only one runner-up and she was sitting beside Ms. Maharashtra.
 (D) The runner-up was wearing the green saree.
 (E) Ms. West Bengal was not sitting at the ends and was not the runner-up.
 (F) The winner and the runner-up are not sitting adjacent to each other.
 (G) Ms. Maharashtra was wearing white saree.
 (H) Ms. Andhra Pradesh was not wearing the green saree.
 (I) Participants wearing yellow saree and white saree were at the ends.

45. Which saree was worn by Ms. Andhra Pradesh?
 a) White b) Green c) Red d) Yellow
46. Who wore the red saree
 a) Ms. Maharashtra b) Ms. Uttar Pradesh
 c) Ms. Andhra Pradesh d) Ms. West Bengal
47. Ms. West Bengal was sitting adjacent to
 a) Ms. Uttar Pradesh only
 b) Ms. Andhra Pradesh and Ms. Uttar Pradesh
 c) Ms. Uttar Pradesh and Ms. Maharashtra
 d) Ms. Andhra Pradesh and Ms. Maharashtra
48. Who was runner-up?
 a) Ms. Maharashtra b) Ms. Uttar Pradesh
 c) Ms. Andhra Pradesh d) Ms. West Bengal

Directions (Questions 49-53) : Study the following information and answer the questions given below it :

A blacksmith has five iron articles A, B, C, D and E, each having a different weight.

- i A weighs twice as much as B.
 - ii B weighs four and a half times as much as C.
 - iii C weighs half as much as D.
 - iv D weighs half as much as E.
 - v E weighs less than A but more than C.
49. Which of the following is the lightest in weight ?

a) A b) B c) C d) D

50. E is lighter in weight than which of the other two articles ?

a) A, B b) D, C c) A, C d) D, B

51. E is heavier than which of the following two articles ?

a) D, B b) D, C c) A, C d) A, B

52. Which of the following articles is the heaviest in weight?

a) A b) B c) C d) D

53. Which of the following represents the descending order of weights of the articles ?

a) A, B, E, D, C b) B, D, E, A, C c) E, C, D, A, B d) C, A, D, B, E

Directions (Questions 54 to 58) : Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below it :

There are five friends A, B, C, D and E. Two of them are businessmen while the other three belong to different occupations viz., medical, engineer and legal. One businessman and the lawyer stay in the same locality S, while the other three stay in three different localities P, Q and R. Two of these five persons are Hindus while the remaining three come from three different communities viz. Muslim, Christian and Sikh. The lawyer is the oldest in age while one of the businessmen who runs a factory is the youngest. The other businessman is a cloth merchant and agewise lies between the doctor and the lawyer. D is a cloth merchant and stays in locality S while E is a Muslim and stays in locality R. The doctor is a Christian and stays in locality P, B is a Sikh while A is a Hindu and runs a factory.

54. Who stays in locality Q ?

a) A b) B c) C d) E

55. What is E's occupation ?

a) Business b) Engineer c) Lawyer d) Doctor

56. Agewise who among the following lies between A and C?

a) Lawyer b) Doctor
c) Cloth Merchant d) Engineer

57. What is a B's occupation ?
 a) Business b) Engineer c) Lawyer d) Doctor
58. What is C's occupation?
 a) Doctor b) Lawyer c) Engineer d) Business
59. Johnson left for his office in his car. He drove 15 km towards north and then 10 km towards west. He then turned to the south and covered 5 km. Further, he turned to the east and moved 8 km. Finally, he turned right and drove 10 km. How far and in which direction is he from his starting point ?
 a) 2 km West b) 5 km East c) 3 km North d) 6 km South
60. Namita walks 14 metres towards west, then turns to her right and walks 14 metres and then turns to her left and walks 10 metres. Again turning to her left she walks 14 metres. What is the shortest distance (in metres) between her starting point and the present position?
 a) 10 b) 24 c) 28 d) 38
61. Gopal starts from his house towards West. After walking a distance of 30 metres, he turned towards right and walked 20 metres. He then turned left and moving a distance of 10 metres, turned to his left again and walked 40 metres. He now turns to the left and walks 5 metres. Finally he turns to his left. In which direction is he walking now ?
 a) North b) South c) East d) South-West
62. Which of the following words will come fourth in the English dictionary?
 a) False b) Follow c) Faithfully d) Fool
63. Which of the following words will come second in the English dictionary?
 a) Magical b) Magnify c) Maternal d) Magnetic
64. Number of letters skipped in between adjacent letters in the series increases by one. Which of the following series observes the given rule?
 a) ACFJO b) AEIMQ c) DINSX d) EHKNQ
65. In the following series, the number of letters skipped in between the adjacent letters are in ascending order, i.e., 1,2,3,4. Which one of the following letter groups does not obey this rule?
 a) CEHLQ b) DFIMR c) GILPU d) HJMPT
66. In a row of forty children, P is thirteenth from the left end and Q is ninth from the right end. How many children are there between P and R if R is fourth to the left of Q?
 a) 12 b) 13 c) 14 d) 15

74. How many passed in Mathematics and at least one more subject?
a) 210 b) 203 c) 170 d) 94
75. How many failed in two subjects only?
a) 56 b) 61 c) 152 d) 162
76. How many passed at least in one subject?
a) 450 b) 390 c) 304 d) 167

Directions (Question 77): A series is given, with one term missing. Choose the correct alternatives from the given ones that will complete the series:

77. AFI, JOR, MRU, ?
a) GJU b) HMP c) PMO d) RJL

Directions: (Questions 78 to 80) : Read the following information and answer the questions given below it :

Alka is older than Mala. Gopal is older than Mala but younger than Alka. Kapil is younger than Ram and Mala. Mala is older than Ram?

78. Whose age is between Gopal and Ram?
a) Mala b) Kapil
c) Alka d) None of these
79. Whose age is between Mala and Kapil?
a) Gopal b) Ram
c) Alka d) None of these
80. Whose age is exactly in the middle of all the five?
a) Mala b) Gopal c) Ram d) Alka

Section-II

81. 'Khadur Sahib' was founded by which of the following Sikh Gurus?
a) Guru Angad Dev Ji b) Guru Amar Das Ji
c) Guru Arjan Dev Ji d) None of above
82. The monument named 'The flame of Liberty' is associated with?
a) Jallianwala Bagh Massacre b) Battle of Mudki
c) Komagata Maru incident d) Gadar movement

83. PEPSU was formally inaugurated by merging together of how many east Punjab Princely states?
 a) 6 b) 7 c) 8 d) 9
84. When was the States Reorganisation Commission appointed by the Govt. of India?
 a) 1953 b) 1955 c) 1954 d) 1947
85. Who amongst the following became the first woman to win Sahitya Akademi Award?
 a) Dalip Kaur Tiwana b) Amrita Pritam
 c) Ajit Kaur d) Sheila Bhatia
86. Which one of the following fairs is held in honour of Goddess 'Seetla' in Punjab?
 a) Jarag Fair b) Chappar Fair
 c) Roshni da mela d) Muktsar Fair
87. Which one of the following festivals is celebrated to commemorate the establishment of Khalsa by Guru Gobind Singh Ji?
 a) Basant Panchami b) Hola – Mohalla
 c) Lohri d) Gurparb
88. Which one of the following musical instruments consists of a pair of wooden flutes?
 a) Sarangi b) Bugchu c) Algoza d) Rabaab
89. Who amongst the following was the founder President of Ghadar Party?
 a) Lala Lajpat Rai b) Sardar Ajit Singh
 c) Sohan Singh Bhakna d) Baba Kharak Singh
90. In which of the following states Keibul Lamjao National Park located?
 a) Mizoram b) Himachal Pradesh
 c) Manipur d) Arunachal Pradesh
91. Who among the following Gurus composed 'Asa Di Var' ?
 a) Guru Nanak Dev Ji b) Guru Amar Das Ji
 c) Guru Arjan Dev Ji d) Guru Teg Bahadur Ji
92. Consider the following pairs.
 1 Non-Cooperation : Chauri-Chaura Movement was called off
 2 Ilbert Bill : Lord Hastings
 3 August Offer : Lord Rippon
 Which of the above pairs are correctly matched?
 a) Both 1 and 3 b) Only 1
 c) Only 2 d) All of these

93. Consider the following.
- 1 Rowlatt Act Movement
 - 2 Kheda Movement
 - 3 Champaran Satyagraha
 - 4 Ahmedabad Strike
- What is the correct chronological order of the above mentioned Gandhian Movements?
- a) 3, 4, 2 and 1 b) 3, 2, 4 and 1 c) 2, 3, 1 and 4 d) 2, 1, 3 and 4
94. In the context of the Indian Freedom Struggle the famous 3rd June Plan is also known as.
- a) Cabinet Mission Plan b) Raja Gopalachari Formula
c) Mountbatten Plan d) Wavell plan
95. Annie Besant was
- 1 Responsible for starting the Home Rule Movement.
 - 2 The founder of the Theosophical Society.
 - 3 Once the President of the Indian National Congress.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below.
- a) Only 1 b) Both 2 and 3
c) Both 1 and 3 d) All of the above
96. Which of the following Indian province was annexed on account of alleged misgovernance?
- a) Awadh b) Satara c) Jhansi d) Mysore
97. The Rowlatt Act aimed at
- a) Compulsory economic support to war efforts
 - b) Imprisonment without trial and summary procedures for trial
 - c) Suppression of the Khilafat Movement
 - d) Imposition of restriction on freedom of the press
98. Which one of the following began with the Dandi March?
- a) Home Rule Movement b) Non-Cooperation Movement
c) Civil Disobedience Movement d) Quit India Movement
99. Who among the following used the phrase 'Un-British' to criticise(s) the English colonial control of India?
- a) Anandmohan Bose b) Badruddin Tyabji
c) Dadabhai Naoroji d) Pherozeshah Mehta
100. Direct nutrient cycling is seen in
- a) Mangrove forests b) Deciduous forest
c) Tropical evergreen forest d) None of the above

- a) allantois b) amnion c) chorion d) yolk sac

118. During the course of development, the umbilical cord is derived from

- a) allantois b) placenta
c) endometrium d) chorion

119. Silicosis is a

- a) Kidney disease b) Liver disease
c) Lung disease d) Neurological disorder

120. Llama differs from a camel in

- 1 the absence of a hump
- 2 the presence of two humps
- 3 having woolly hair
- 4 restricted to high altitudes in North America

- a) 1, 3 b) 2, 3 c) 1,3, 4 d) 2,3, 4

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