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Directions (1-5): Below is a given passage. Some sentences begin with a number (corresponding to the question number) and some words are highlighted in bold. One of the highlighted words is grammatically incorrect. Choose the word from the option as your answer. If all the highlighted words are correct, mark 'All correct' as your answer

Mohammed Ashfaq, managing director of the Bengaluru based Plastobag Industries, recalls the incident that spurred him to make biodegradable plastics. **1.**One day in2011, when he **entered** his home, his 12yearold daughter, who had just **learnt** about the environmental **ills** of plastic, **extolled** her father, "Papa, you are polluting the entire city." That made Mr. Ashfaq want to do something that would make his daughter proud, he said. **2.**The research he began that year **culminated** in the **desolation** of **ecofriendly** plastics **at** his factory in early 2018. Today,35%, or more than a third, of his products are biodegradable, he said.

3.Plastobag is one of the sixteen **companies** in India that **has** permission from the Central Pollution Control Board to make bioplastics ('Bioplastics' is used here to mean **biodegradable**, **although** it can have other meanings). **4.****Among**them, these **manufacturers** make **carry** bags, cutlery, films, food containers, and bin **liners**. **5.****Like**conventional plastics, these items can be **broken down** by **microbes** in industrial composting facilities **within** six months. This makes them a promising, if partial, solution to India's plastic problem.

1. ?

- A.Entered
- B.Learnt
- C.Extolled
- D.Ills

E.No correction required

2. ?

- A.Culminated
- B.Desolation
- C.Eco-friendly
- D.At

E.No correction required

3. ?

- A.Companies
- B.Has
- C.Biodegradable
- D.Although

E.No correction required

4. ?

5. ?

A.Among

B.Manufacturers

C.Carry

D.Liners

E.No correction required

5. ?

A.Like



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B. Microbes

C. Within

D. Broken down

E. No correction required

Directions (6-10): Below is a given passage. Some sentences begin with a number (corresponding to the question number) and some words are highlighted in bold. One of the highlighted words is grammatically incorrect. Choose the word from the option as your answer. If all the highlighted words are correct, mark 'All correct' as your answer

6. The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) is pushing banks and corporate entities to sign **to** for electronic verification of customers **through** channels like net banking and debit cards, as an alternative to the Aadhaar-based process that has been **suspended** following a Supreme Court order. 7. The entire tech-**based** services industry has been in a **tizzy** since the Supreme Court in September **barred** private entities from **use** Aadhaar for customer authentication (know your customer, or KYC). 8. In a circular issued on Thursday, NPCI said banks need to **speeded** up adoption of alternative electronic mandate processes. "All member banks are **advised** to expedite the implementation of API-based e-mandate process through internet banking as well as debit cards-based **authentication** of the same." 9. Eight banks and 15 other entities have either completed the certification process **to** offer e-verification through net banking and debit cards, or are **in** the process of doing so, NPCI said. Other entities, it said, **needs** to speed up participation. 10. As per the NPCI website, Yes bank is the only one to have **gone** live with internet banking-based e-mandates. Lenders like SBI and IDFC Bank **have** completed certification and Axis Bank is in the process of **do** so. However, the top two private sector banks, ICICI and HDFC Bank, have not **started** the

certification process as yet, as per the list on the NPCI website.

6. ?

A. pushing

B. to

C. through

D. suspended

E. No correction required

7. ?

A. based

B. tizzy

C. barred

D. use

E. No correction required

8. ?

A. speeded

B. all

C. advised

D. authentication

E. No correction required

9. ?

A. have



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- B.to
- C.in
- D.needs
- E.No correction required

10. ?

- A.gone
- B.have
- C.do
- D.started
- E.No correction required

Directions (11-15): Below is a given passage. Some sentences begin with a number (corresponding to the question number) and some words are highlighted in bold. One of the highlighted words is grammatically incorrect. Choose the word from the option as your answer. If all the highlighted words are correct, mark 'All correct' as your answer

11.Children's **higher** education is always on the top of financial goals. Thankfully, most Indians understand that the higher education is going to **cost** a lot in the coming years. Most experts believe that education **inflation** is on the higher double-digit. So, it **make** immense sense to plan for it. 12. How do you **do** it. Here is the easy way out. First, **found** out how much the course costs now. Next, find out the inflation number. Just inflate the course fee **for** the number of years and you will **have** your target corpus. 13. In some cases, you may not **be** in a position to find out the course fee because you **were** not sure about your kid's preferences. In such instances, **choose** a course that you think she is going to choose. The next step is to find out how much you need

to **invest** every month to achieve your target corpus. 14.If you do not have the risk appetite, you should **opt** for debt mutual funds or bank deposits. In that case, you may have to **save** more every month as these investments may not **fetch** you double-digit returns. Also, it is always better to keep a **short** tenure than actual time to achieve your goals. 15. This is to **make** sure that you have enough time to transfer your money from an equity scheme to a debt scheme. For example, instead **of** 20 years, you can have a 15-year horizon. This will help you to **save** transfer your target corpus accumulated in an equity scheme to a **safer** avenue like debt mutual funds or bank deposit.

11. ?

- A.higher
- B.cost
- C.inflation
- D.make
- E.No correction required

12. ?

- A.do
- B.found
- C.for
- D.have
- E.No correction required

13. ?

- A.be



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- B.were
C.choose
D.invest
E.No correction required

14. ?

- A.opt
B.to
C.fetch
D.short
E.No correction required

15. ?

- A.make
B.of
C.save
D.safer
E.No correction required

Directions (16-25): Below is a given passage. Some sentences begin with a number (corresponding to the question number) and some words are highlighted in bold. One of the highlighted words is grammatically incorrect. Choose the word from the option as your answer. If all the highlighted words are correct, mark 'No correction required' as your answer

Having an insurance cover for your car is important. A part of the insurance, the third party liability cover, is

mandatory by law, whereas the other part, the own-damage cover, is optional. (16) **Having** a motor insurance **might** be helpful in **covering** the costs in case of some **damage** in an accident or even theft of your vehicle.

(17) But what **should** you do if you **own** a **vintage** or classic car that needs special care? The quick answer is: keep it **insurance**.

(18) Before going **in** details **about** how they **can** be insured, remember that vintage and classic are two different **categories** of cars. (19) According to the India Motor Tariff, any car manufactured **previous** to 31 December 1940 and **certified** by the Vintage and Classic Car Club of India can be **considered** a vintage car **for** the purpose of insurance. Similarly, any car manufactured after 31 December 1940 but before 31 December 1970 is considered as a classic car.

Is the insurance for these cars different than that for regular cars? Yes and no. As third-party liability cover is required for all registered vehicles, vintage car owners also need to take it. (20) Just like regular cars, the premium **based** on engine **displacement** capacity, as **set** by the insurance regulator, is also **applicable** to these cars.

The difference is in own-damage insurance. (21) For a regular car, **own-damage** cover is based **on** the insured declared value (IDV), which is **calculated** as the manufacturer's listing price of the vehicle minus **depreciating**. This IDV is the maximum sum assured that you can get in case of complete damage to the vehicle or theft. (22) According to the India Motor Tariff, the 5% **depreciation** is **account** for **arriving** at the IDV of vehicles that are **up** to six months old. This goes up to 15% for vehicles that are less than one year old. The depreciation increases up to 50% over five years. (23) **Beyond** five years, the value is **together** decided **between** the insurer and the vehicle owner.



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However, the method to arrive at a sum assured for vintage cars is different. Here, the insurance company would look at additional documentation and certification. (24) The **foremost conditions** for vintage cars is that **these** should be **registered** with the Vintage and Classic Car Club of India. (25) Insurance companies said, in most cases the insurance company **appoints** a **surveyor** to get a valuation report and it also **except** the **valuation** done by the Vintage and Classic Car Club of India.

16. ?

A. Having

B. Might

C. Covering

D. Damage

E. No correction required

17. ?

A. Should

B. Own

C. Vintage

D. Insurance

E. No correction required

18. ?

A. In

B. About

C. Can

D. Categories

E. No correction required

19. ?

A. Previous

B. Certified

C. Considered

D. For

E. No correction required

20. ?

A. Based

B. Displacement

C. Set

D. Applicable

E. No correction required

21. ?

A. own-damage

B. On

C. Calculated

D. Depreciating

E. No correction required

22. ?



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A. Depreciation

B. Account

C. Up

D. Applicable

E. No correction required

23. ?

A. Beyond

B. Years

C. Together

D. Between

E. No correction required

24. ?

A. Foremost

B. Conditions

C. These

D. Registered

E. No correction required

25. ?

A. Appoints

B. Surveyor

C. Except

D. Valuation

E. No correction required

Directions (26-30): Below is a given passage. Some sentences begin with a number (corresponding to the question number) and some words are highlighted in bold. One of the highlighted words is grammatically incorrect. Choose the word from the option as your answer. If all the highlighted words are correct, mark 'No correction required' as your answer.

26. Even **through** there was little progress in achieving the goals **set** in the historic **meeting** between U.S. president Donald Trump and Chairman Kim Jongun of North Korea **in** June 2018, the announcement of a second summit next month is a step **in** the right direction. 27. The fact that Pyongyang has **ceased** its nuclear muscleflexing, and has not **tested** any nuclear-capable device or launched any missile for more **then** a year, is reason for **continued** patience and confidence in the dialogue. The Singapore meeting generated mutual goodwill and hopes of a breakthrough. 28. But in the **declaration** the leaders had **promised** a denuclearisation of the Korean Peninsula without indicating a timetable or the **modalities** of **retching** that farsighted endgoal. 29. In the months **from** the meeting, Pyongyang's **anticipation** of an easing of U.S. sanctions have not materialised, while information about the inventory of North Korean nuclear **stockpiles** that Washington had sought as a first step towards a verifiable **dismantling** of the North Korean arsenal, has not been forthcoming. 30. **Underscoring** the **stalemate**, U.S. Vice President Mike Pence stated days before the announcement of the coming **bilateral** summit that Pyongyang had made little headway **on** its commitments.

26. ?

A. Through

B. Set



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C.Meeting

D.In

E.No correction required

27. ?

A.Ceased

B.Tested

C.Then

D.Continued

E.No correction required

28. ?

A.Declaration

B.Promised

C.Modalities

D.Retching

E.No correction required

29. ?

A.From

B.Anticipation

C.Stockpiles

D.Dismantling

E.No correction required

30. ?

A.Underscoring

B.Stalemate

C.Bilateral

D.On

E.No correction required

Directions (31-35): Below is a given passage. Some sentences begin with a number (corresponding to the question number) and some words are highlighted in bold. One of the highlighted words is grammatically incorrect. Choose the word from the option as your answer. If all the highlighted words are correct, mark 'All correct' as your answer

31. Punjab National Bank's (PNB) board will meet on Thursday to seek Rs 5,431 crore capital support from the government through preferential issuance of equity shares.

During the earlier fund infusion was to help PNB **meet** minimum regulatory capital requirement, this round of capital **injection** will enable the lender to step up **growth** in lending. **32.** The announcement by PNB comes **in** a day of Finance Minister Arun Jaitley **announcing** that the government will **consider** state-owned banks' request for **advancement** of capital infusion.

33. "The meeting of Board of Directors of the Bank is scheduled to be **hold** on 27th September, 2018 for **considering** infusion of Rs 5431 crore by Government of India by way of preferential issue of Equity share and Fixing date of Extra Ordinary General Meeting (EGM) for **obtaining** shareholders' approval in this regard at a price determined in terms of SEBI



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(ICDR) Regulations,” PNB said in a regulatory filing **with** stock exchanges on Wednesday.

After a review meeting with the heads of state-owned banks on Tuesday, Jaitley committed capital support to banks.**34.** “Some of them (the banks) **did** mention that the PCA (prompt corrective action) guidelines should be **revisit** because that is indirectly impacting their lending **ability** and that government should be more **upfront** in the capital requirement of some of these banks.**35.** I have **assured** them that we will immediately look at this subject because we are as **keen** as them, as every Indian is, that this opportunity is not **miss** because we want the cycle of high consumption, high growth, NPA recoveries, credit off take really to be **utilised** to the fullest in order to help economy,” he said on Tuesday.

31. ?

- A. During
- B. Meet
- C. Injection
- D. Growth
- E. No correction required

32. ?

- A. In
- B. Announcing
- C. Consider
- D. Advancement
- E. No correction required

33. ?

- A. Hold
- B. Considering
- C. Obtaining
- D. With
- E. No correction required

34. ?

- A. Did
- B. Revisit
- C. Ability
- D. Upfront
- E. No correction required

35. ?

- A. assured
- B. keen
- C. miss
- D. utilised
- E. No correction required

Directions (36-40): Below is a given passage. Some sentences begin with a number (corresponding to the question number) and some words are highlighted in bold. One of the highlighted words is grammatically incorrect. Choose the word from the option as your



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answer. If all the highlighted words are correct, mark 'All correct' as your answer

36. The announcement **by** India and Pakistan **of** plans to operationalise a visa free corridor between Dera Baba Nanak in Indian Punjab and Kartarpur Sahib in Pakistan's Punjab **disdains** a longstanding **plea** of Sikh pilgrims. 37. That demand had **gathered** pace in 1995, when Pakistan **renovated** the Kartarpurgurdwara, situated on the **sight** on the bank of the Ravi where the founder of Sikhism, Guru Nanak, **spent** his last 18 years. Leaders from both sides, including Prime Ministers Atal Bihari Vajpayee and Benazir Bhutto, had pushed for it.

38. In their effort to **facilitate** travel by Sikhs to important shrines on both sides of the border, they were also alert to the **potential** of such a move to heal ties **in** their people, and **promote** dialogue between the two governments. 39. Given its easy **logistics**, the 4km long Kartarpur **corridor** is a low hanging fruit **as** a meaningful confidence building **major**. The announcement now is particularly timely, with the 550th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak falling in November 2019. 40. The **initiative** can also **become** a template for cross border **exchanges** based on faith, which could provide a **balm** for many communities such as Kashmiri Pandits, who have long asked for access to visit the Sharda Peeth in the Neelum Valley in Pakistan occupied Kashmir; Sufis in Pakistan who wish to visit the dargah of Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti in Ajmer, Rajasthan; and Sikhs in India and Pakistan wanting to visit important shrines on both sides of the border.

36. ?

- A. By
- B. Of
- C. Disdains
- D. Plea

E. No correction required

37. ?

- A. Gathered
- B. Renovated
- C. Sight
- D. Spent
- E. No correction required

38. ?

- A. Facilitate
- B. Potential
- C. In
- D. Promote
- E. No correction required

39. ?

- A. Logistics
- B. Corridor
- C. As
- D. Major
- E. No correction required

40. ?

- A. Initiative



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B. Become

C. Exchanges

D. Balm

E. No correction required

Directions (41-45): Below is a given passage. Some sentences begin with a number (corresponding to the question number) and some words are highlighted in bold. One of the highlighted words is grammatically incorrect. Choose the word from the option as your answer. If all the highlighted words are correct, mark 'All correct' as your answer

41. Capitalism has **suffered** a series of mighty blows to its reputation over the past decade. The sense of **a** system rigged to **benefit** the owners of capital at the expense of workers is profound. In 2016 a survey **find** that more than half of young Americans no longer support capitalism. This loss of faith is dangerous, but is also warranted. **42.** Today's capitalism does have **a** real problem, just not the one that protectionists and populists like to talk about. Life has **became** far too comfortable for some firms in the old economy, while, in the new economy, tech firms **have** rapidly built market power. A revolution is indeed needed—one that unleashes competition, forcing down abnormally high profits today and ensuring that innovation can **thrive** tomorrow. **43.** Countries have acted to **fuel** competition before. At the start of the 20th century America **break** up monopolies in railways and energy. After the second world war West Germany **put** the creation of competitive markets at the centre **of** its nation-building project. **44.** The establishment of the European single market, a **project** championed by Margaret Thatcher, **praised** open stale domestic markets to dynamic foreign firms. Ronald Reagan **fostered** competition across much of the American economy. A similar transformation is needed today. Since 1997 market concentration has risen in two-

thirds **in** American industries. **45.** On Europe the trend is similar, if less extreme. The average market share **of** the biggest four firms in each industry has **risen** by three percentage points since 2000. On both continents, dominant firms have become harder to **dislodge**.

41. ?

A. suffered

B. a

C. benefit

D. find

E. No correction required

42. ?

A. a

B. became

C. have

D. thrive

E. No correction required

43. ?

A. fuel

B. break

C. put

D. of

E. No correction required



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44. ?

- A.project
- B.praised
- C.fostered
- D.in
- E.No correction required

45. ?

- A.on
- B.of
- C.risen
- D.dislodge
- E.No correction required

Directions (46-50): Below is a given passage. Some sentences begin with a number (corresponding to the question number) and some words are highlighted in bold. One of the highlighted words is grammatically incorrect. Choose the word from the option as your answer. If all the highlighted words are correct, mark 'All correct' as your answer

46. Oil prices resumed their fall on Friday, pressured by concerns that producers **are** churning out more supply **then** the world needs amid a far-from-rosy economic outlook. Most emerging Asian currencies **moved** only marginally on Friday, with many investors **in** wait-and-see mode before the G20 summit in Argentina on Nov. 30-Dec. 1. 47. With U.S. markets **closed** overnight for Thanksgiving and Japan on holiday on Friday, regional trading activity was **muted**. Investors keenly await the meeting of the presidents of

the United States and China on the sidelines of G20 in Buenos Aires, hoping it can **de-escalate** the trade war between the world's two **larger** economies. 48. Mizuho Bank, in a note, **warned** against being too optimistic on a deal being reached in Argentina. It **advised** "caution over optimism" because what the U.S. is **seeking** requires "more concessions that Beijing can possibly **conceded**".1 49. On Friday, the Indonesian rupiah **topped** gainers among regional currencies, appreciating as much as 0.5 percent to 14,510 to the dollar. It **was** on track to post a third successive weekly gain. Indonesia has **feel** some relief from lower oil prices, as Southeast Asia's **biggest** economy is a net importer of the commodity. 50. Oil prices resumed their **fall** on Friday, pressured by concerns that producers are **churn** out more supply than the world needs amid a far-from-rosy economic outlook. However, oil markets were **offered** some support by an expectation that the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries will start withholding supply in 2019 to **rein** in any glut.

46. ?

- A. are
- B. then
- C.moved
- D. in
- E.No correction required

47. ?

- A. closed
- B.moved
- C.de-escalate
- D. larger



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E.No correction required

48. ?

A.warned

B. advised

C. seeking

D. conceded

E.No correction required

49. ?

A.topped

B.was

C. feel

D.biggest

E.No correction required

50. ?

A.fall.

B.churn.

C.offered.

D. rein

E.No correction required

Answers & Explanations

1) Answer: C

Replace “Extolled” with “criticized”. Extolled means praised.

2) Answer: B

Replace “desolation” with “production”.

3) Answer: B

Replace “Has” with “have”, as the subject (sixteen companies) is plural.

4) Answer: A

Replace “Among” with “between”. Using ‘between’ means ‘within the company’.

5) Answer: A

Replace “Like” with “unlike”. Unlike is used when two things have contrasting nature. Here biodegradable plastic has different nature than conventional plastic.

6) Answer: B

Replace “to” with “up”

7) Answer: D

Replace “use” with “using”

8) Answer: A

Replace “speeded” with “speed”



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9) Answer: D

Replace “needs” with “need”

10) Answer: C

Replace “do” with “doing”

11) Answer: D

Replace “make” with “makes”

12) Answer: B

Replace “found” with “find”

13) Answer: B

Replace “were” with “are”

14) Answer: D

Replace “short” with “shorter”

15) Answer: C

Replace “save” with “safely”

16) Answer: B

Replace “might” with “could”, as ‘might’ shows the conditional possibility not the surety, and could is used for factually correct statements.

17) Answer: D

Replace “insurance” with “insured”, verb will be used in place of noun.

18) Answer: A

Replace “in” with “into”, as the preposition ‘into’ shows the motion and it can be assumed from the word going.

19) Answer: A

Replace “Previous” with “prior”. ‘Previous’ refers to an ‘event’ happened before a reference point whereas ‘prior’ refers to a ‘time’ before the reference point.

20) Answer: E

No correction required.

21) Answer: D

Replace ‘depreciating’ with depreciation.

22) Answer: B

Replace ‘Account’ with ‘Accounted’.

23) Answer: C

Replace ‘Together’ with ‘mutually’.

24) Answer: B

Replace ‘Conditions’ with ‘Condition’.

25) Answer: C

Replace ‘Except’ with ‘accept’.

26) Answer: A

Replace “Through” with “Though”.

27) Answer: C

Replace “Then” with “Than”.

28) Answer: D



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Replace “retching” with “Reaching”.

29) Answer: A

Replace “From” with “since”.

30) Answer: E

No correction required.

31) Answer: A

Replace “During” with “While”

32) Answer: A

Replace “in” with “within”.

33) Answer: A

Replace “hold” with “held”

34) Answer: B

Replace “revisit” with “revisited”

35) Answer: C

Replace “miss” with “missed”,

36) Answer: C

Replace “Disdains” with “heeds”.

37) Answer: C

Replace “Sight” with “site”.

38) Answer: C

Replace “In” with “amongst”.

39) Answer: D

Replace “Major” with “measure”.

40) Answer: E

No correction required.

41) Answer: D

Replace “find” with “found”

42) Answer: B

Replace “became” with “become”

43) Answer: B

Replace “break” with “broke”

44) Answer: D

Replace “in” with “of”

45) Answer: A

Replace “on” with “in”

46) Answer: B

Replace “then” with “than”

47) Answer: D

Replace ‘larger’ with ‘largest’

48) Answer: D

Replace ‘conceded’ with ‘concede’

49) Answer: C



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Replace 'feel' with 'felt'

Replace 'churn' with 'churning'

50) Answer: B

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