Crew - a group of people who work on and operate a ship, aircraft, etc.
Convoy means 'a group of ships or vehicles travelling together, typically one accompanied by armed troops, warships, or other vehicles for protection'
Option (b) is fit to the context of the sentence.
Sol 137. (d) were moving
Since the subject 'The trucks' are plural therefore 'were' is to be used and as the action has taken place in past tense therefore Past continuous tense has to be used.
Sol 138. (a) crash
crash - collide violently with an obstacle or another vehicle.
Scream - give a long, loud, piercing cry or cries expressing extreme emotion or pain.
splash - a sound made by something striking or falling into liquid.
Buzz - a low, continuous humming or murmuring sound.
Here crash is the most suitable option.

## Sol 139.(d)

'Fortunately' should fill in the blanks because in the above sentence the driver is saved from the accident caused due to crashing of a huge tree that shows luck.
Sol 140.(c) clearing
Soldiers are not changing or altering anything. They are clearing the road for the convoy. So , option (c) is the answer

## SET 29

Sol 141.(b) Despite
'Despite' and 'in spite of' are the correct words. So , option (b) is the answer

Sol 142.(b) impacts
Reflects - (of a surface or body) throw back (heat, light, or sound) without absorbing it.
Impacts - the action of one object coming forcibly into contact with another.
Imparts - make (information) known.
Reduces - make smaller or less in amount, degree, or size.
So , option (b) is fit to the context of the sentence.
Sol 143.(a) restricting
Rehabilitation - the action of restoring someone to health or normal life through training and therapy after imprisonment, addiction, or illness.
Promoting - support or actively encourage (a cause, venture, etc.)
Performing - carry out, accomplish, or fulfil (an action, task, or function).
Conducting - organize and carry out.
Option (a) is the answer
Sol 144.(d) rehabilitation
Regression - a return to a former or less developed state.
Resignation - an act of resigning from a job or office.
Regeneration - the action or process of regenerating or being regenerated.
Rehabilitation - the action of restoring someone to health or normal life through training and therapy after imprisonment, addiction, or illness.
Option (d) is the most logical answer.
Sol 145.(a) 'Of' is the most appropriate preposition which expresses the relationship between a part and a whole.

Sol 146.(b) major
Sol 147.(b)Intention
Intention - a thing intended; an aim or plan.
Compulsion - forced to do something;
Passion - strong and barely controllable emotion.
Intuition - the ability to understand something instinctively
So , option (b) is the answer
Sol 148.(d)Announced
Announced - make a formal public statement about a fact, occurrence, or intention.
Concealed - kept secret; hidden.
Denounced - publicly declare to be wrong or evil.
Option (d) is the most logical answer according to the context of the sentence.
Sol 149.(d) eliminated
Initiated - cause (a process or action) to begin.
Eliminated - completely remove or get rid of (something).
Permitted - officially allow (someone) to do something.
Option (d) is fit to the context of the sentence.
Sol 150.(c) follow
Disobey - fail to obey (rules, a command, or someone in authority).

## SET 31

Sol 151. (a) Offered
Offered - provide (access or an opportunity)
Ordered -give an authoritative instruction to do something.
Afforded -have enough money to pay for
Extended -made larger; enlarged.
Once, Hercules offered to hold it.
Sol 152.(b) for
'Look for' is a correct phrase which means to search / to try to find.
Sol 153. (b) struggling
Struggling - striving to achieve or attain something in the face of difficulty or resistance.
Tackling - make determined efforts to deal with (a problem or difficult task).
Coping - deal effectively with something difficult.
Seeking - attempt to find (something).
So , option (b) is the answer
Sol 154.(b) was making
The given paragraph is in the past tense.
Sol 155. (b) take back
Take back - to resume (something)
Take in - If you take someone in, you allow them to stay in your house or your country,
Take away - to remove
Take out - to borrow something from a place
'Take back' is the most appropriate phrasal verb.

## SET 32

Sol 156.(b) that "Such ... that" is the correct pair. So , option (b) is the answer

Sol 157. (c) Relegated to "Relegated to" is a correct phrasal verb which means "to assign to a lower position."

Sol 158.(c) the
"The" is a definite article. It is used with known noun. Here town "Agra" has been discussed in the starting so "the" article is appropriate for town.
Sol 159. (c)
elegant-graceful and stylish in appearance or manner.
efficient- achieving maximum productivity with minimum wasted effort or expense.
active-engaging or ready to engage in physically energetic pursuits.
adequate-satisfactory or acceptable in quality or quantity
Option (c) is fit to the context of the sentence.
Sol 160. (c) built
"was" should be followed by the 3rd form of the verb in passive sentences of simple past tense. So , option (c) is the answer

## SET 33

Sol 161. (a) a
Here only one threat "Environmental pollution" has been used. Indefinite article ' A ' is used before an indefinite singular noun. So ' $a$ ' is the most suitable option.
Sol 162.(c) Numerous
Numerous means great in number; having many.
The usage of enough plenty and many do not make the sentence conceptually and grammatically correct.Hence the correct answer will be Numerous.
Sol 163. (c) these
Here all the given options are demonstrative pronouns.
These and this are used to refer to nearby things or objects and also many factors are talked about .So the correct answer will be "these".
Sol 164. (b) moral
dubious-hesitating or doubting.
moral-concerned with the principles of right and wrong behaviour.
pious-devoutly religious.
urgent -requiring immediate action or attention.
Here the correct option will be moral.
Sol 165. (a) measures
Attempts: make an effort to achieve
Measures: a plan or course of action taken to achieve a particular purpose
Programmes: a SET of related activities with a particular long-term aim
Enticements: something used to attract or to tempt someone
So the correct answer will be "measures"

## SET 34

Sol 166.(b) opportunity
Advertising is the promotion of goods and services.It provides an opportunity to the manufacturing companies.Advertising is not an event,occasion or excuse. It is a means of communication between seller and buyer. It is also an opportunity for sellers to provide information about the product to buyers.
Sol 167.(c) products
Manufacturing companies sell their products better than their competitors.
Manufacturing sells their products, not compound outcome or creation. Hence the correct answer will be products.

## Sol 168.(c)on

Everytime we switch on the television we find some product or the other
The preposition 'on' here means to start, thus after starting the television we see many different advertisements.Hence the correct word will be "on".
Sol 169.(a) being
the other being_pushed towards us.
'Being' is used because the sentence is past continuous and in passive form.
Sol 170.(d) motive
It cannot be denied that the motive behind commercial advertising is to increase sales and earn more profit.Here 'motive' means 'a reason for doing something'.

## SET 35

Sol 171. (b) choice
Choice - an act of selecting between two or more possibilities Alternative - available as another possibility or choice.
Option - a thing that is or may be chosen.
Possibility - a thing that may be chosen or done out of several possible alternatives.
The paragraph talks about certain spheres of life so "choice" conveys the exact meaning.
Sol 172. (d) of ' Between' and 'among' are used when distribution is done in 2 or more persons. Here "of" is a suitable preposition.
Sol 173.(d) unless. 'Unless' is used for the condition.'Unless', is conditional conjunction. It means something except something. Here the condition is given for never opting a subject.
Sol 174.(d) should. The word "Should" expresses the meaning of obligation.
It generally states that if the person is not interested in the subject they must or should not opt for it.
Other modal auxiliary options don't fit to the context.
Sol 175. (a) square
'Square pegs in round holes' is an idiom which means 'A person who is unsuitable for the job.Hence option (a) will be the correct answer.'

## SET 36

Sol 176. (a)of
The Matryoshka doll is also called the Russian nesting doll.It is a SET of wooden dolls.
Prepositions are placed before nouns or pronouns to show a relationship with another part of the sentence.
'Of' indicates relating to or belonging to.Thus the correct sentence will be " It is a SET of wooden dolls"
Sol 177. (b)placed
Wooden dolls decreasing in size and placed inside one another. Placed - to put in a particular position
Occupied - (of a building, seat, etc.) being used by someone; busy and active.
Located - discover the exact place or position .
Situated - fix or build (something) in a certain place or position. So , the most appropriate word will be "placed".
Sol 178. (d) was made

For the fixed past time, simple past tense is used. Here 1890 is given so the tense would be simple past.
The simple past tense is used to refer to an action that happened in the past. It often occurs with an adverb of time phrase. So the correct sentence will be "The first such SET was made in 1890".
Sol 179. (d) either
'Either' is used when there is a choice between two possibilities. The figures inside may be of either gender. There are two genders of the doll and either is used for two.
Sol 180. (a) a
The smallest doll is the baby, made from a single piece of wood.
A is used for a single unit. ' A ' is used before a word beginning with a consonant sound.

## SET 37

Sol 181. (a) The definite article (the) is used before a noun to indicate that the identity of the noun is known to the reader. The indefinite article ( a , an) is used before a noun that is general or when its identity is not known. There are certain situations in which a noun takes no article.

Sol 182.(b) sprawling
Spread - open out (something) so as to extend its surface area, width, or length.
Stretch - be made or be capable of being made longer or wider without tearing or breaking.
In order to attract more tourists, sprawling resorts are built.
Sprawling means 'spreading out over a large area in an untidy or irregular way'.

Sol 183. (c) which take neither the local architecture nor the ecology into consideration.
"neither...nor'.is a co-relative conjunction pair and must be used correctly. In the case of 'neither', it gives two options that are both negated.
Sol 184.(b)destroyed
Destroyed (past tense) - end the existence of (something) by damaging or attacking it.
Displayed (past tense) - (of information) shown on a computer screen or other device.
Distracted (past tense) - unable to concentrate because one is preoccupied with something worrying or unpleasant.
Dismayed (past tense) - cause (someone) to feel concerned and distressed.
Natural systems can't be displayed nor are they distracted. An individual can be dismayed not by natural systems.
Sol 185.(b) and
To connect two words or sentences conjunction 'and' is used. The sentence talks about the cause of the destruction of natural systems because of indiscriminate construction to provide water and waste disposal facilities.

## SET 38

Sol.186.(a) Of
Here, the paragraph talks about adult education.' Of' is used to indicate the association between two things. In the given sentence, the association between educational movement and village schools can be indicated by using 'of'.

Correct sentence: In a way, adult education is an educational movement through the medium of village schools.
Sol 187. (d)villagers
The villagers were suspicious.
Here, adult education in villages is spoken about and villagers are people of village. They are suspicious about adult education. In the previous sentence, the writer talks about village schools which indicates that education is being provided to villagers. Correct sentence- In the beginning, the villagers were suspicious.
Sol 188. (a)them
It was hard to persuade them to realize that they were really getting something.
Them is used as the object in the sentence to refer to a group of people.
Here the pronoun "them" is used for villagers.
Sol 189.(b) from
that they were really getting something from the schools.
From is used to indicate the origin.Hence "from" will be the most appropriate word.
Sol 190.(b)children
They were not at all sure that they wanted their children to leave their homes.
The sentence talks about the people who had to leave their homes to go to schools. So "their" is used for villagers and and villagers wanted their children to leave their homes

## SET 39

Sol 191. (a) The paragraph talks about the complete process of restaurant services when someone goes to a restaurant. When you enter a restaurant, you take your seat, and you are served a glass of water.Clearly, after entering a restaurant one must take his/her 'seat'.Hence "seat" is the answer

Sol 192. (d)You take your time to decide what you should order. After taking a seat in a restaurant one takes the menu to give an order. It will take some time.
So the most appropriate word will be "time".
Sol 193. (b) Waiter
When a waiter appears, you ask him the routine question,
Waiter: a man whose job is to serve customers at their tables in the restaurant.
Sol 194. (b) What. What do you have?" means what are the options available for food order?
So, "what" is the answer
Sol 195.(b) The
'The' is used here because a definite article is used before singular and plural nouns when the noun is specific or particular.

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## SET 40. Q(196-200) SSC CGL Tier II 11 September 2019

As he started his speech, Harsh was aware that people were listening to him quite (196) $\qquad$ . Things seemed to be going quite well. (197) $\qquad$ , halfway through the talk, he saw his friend, Ravi look (198) $\qquad$ his pal Sunil, roll his eyes and whisper in his ear. Harsh (199) $\qquad$ understood that Ravi, who had been upSET ever since his promotion, was now (200) ___ disturbance intentionally.
196. (a) intently (b) smoothly (c)evenly (d)clearly
197. (a)Wherever
(b)Whenever
(c) Moreover (d)However
198. (a) at
(b) opposite
199. (a) immediately (b) keenly
(c) through $\quad$ (d) in
(c) urgently
(d)cleverly
200. (a) created
(b) create
(c) creates
(d) creating

## SET 41. Q(201-210) SSC CGL Tier II 11 September 2019

I was friends with the artist Bhupen Khakar. He was one of the (201) $\qquad$ human beings I have ever met. I learnt (202) from him. When we were in Baroda we (203) meals together all the time. I $\qquad$ (204) $\qquad$ remember how his caretaker (205) $\qquad$ family to him and he would often (206) $\qquad$ his children to school and taught
$\qquad$ (207) $\qquad$ mathematics. His studio was in the (208)
(210) of the house and (209) $\qquad$ for anyone to come in
201. (a) Finer
(b) fines
(c) few
(d) fine
202. (a) a lot
(b) the more
(c) a lots
(d)the less
203. (a)would had (b) having had (c)has had (d)would have
204. (a) still
(b) until
(c) never
(d) alone
205. (a) is
(b) was
(c) be
(d) were
206. (a) to drop
(b)dropping
(c) dropped (d) drop
207.
(a) those
(b) their
(c) they
(d) them
208. (a) centering
(b)centralized
(c) centre
(d) central
209.
(b)was opening
(c) opens
(d)opening
210. (a) to look
(b) to watch
(c) looking upon
(d) for looking

SET 42. Q(211-220) SSC CGL Tier II 11 September 2019
One can soon feast (211) $\qquad$ eyes on Humayun's Tomb (212) $\qquad$ Safdarjung Tomb at night, with the government deciding to keep 10 heritage (213) $\qquad$ open to the (214)
$\qquad$ from sunrise (215) $\qquad$ 9 p.m. The announcement was made (216) $\qquad$ morning by the Union Minister for Culture and (217) $\qquad$ . Currently, most monuments (218) for visitors at 6 pm . The change in timings (219) effective for a period (220) 3 years.
211. (a) her's
(b) ours
(c) one's
(d) theirs
212. (a) therefore
(b) both
(c) by
(d) and
213. (a) building
(c)apartments
(b) monument
(d)monuments
214. (a) peoples
(b) mob
(c) public
(d)residents
215. (a) in
(b)by
216. (a) this
(b) then
(c) for
(d) till
217. (a) Tour
(b) Tourist
(c) those
(d) that
(c) Tourists
(d)Tourism
218. (a)close
(c)having closed
(b)was closed
(d)was being closed
219. (a) will be
(b) has been
(c) will have been
(d) would have been
220. (a) about
(b) into
(c) through
(d) of

Set43. Q(221-230) SSC CGL Tier II 12 September 2019
In a rare show of honesty, a gardener of the irrigation department has handed (221) $\qquad$ to the police 57 tolas of gold (222) by him while working in the (223) of the superintending engineer's bungalow in Raipur.The (224) in turn has handed over the (225) $\qquad$ to the Central Excise and Customs Department (226) $\qquad$ investigation.It was in June this year (227) $\qquad$ Ramdayal found a tiny plastic box, meticulously (228) $\qquad$ with polythene, buried six inches
(229) $\qquad$ under a Banyan tree, while digging the garden. He
(230) $\qquad$ the box and took it to his house behind the bungalow and was dazzled to find that it contained biscuits, bangles and coins all of gold.
221.
(a) recovered
(b) out
(c) up
(d) down
222.
(a) garden
(b) orchard
(c) recovering
(d) recover
223.
(a) engineer
(b) gardener
(c) pan
(d) field
225.
(a) coins
(b) bangles
(c) biscuit
(d) gold
226.
(a) by
(b) about
(c) for
(d) to
227.
(a) after
(b) until
(c) that
(d) while
228.
(a) sheltered
(b) topped
(c) enclosed
(d) covered
229.
(a) deep
(b) deepen
(c) deeply
(d) depth
230.
(c) picked ove
(b) picked in
(c) picked over
(d) picked up

## SET 44. Q(231-240) SSC CGL Tier II 12 September 2019

Hunter-gatherer culture was the way of life for early humans until around 11,000 to 12,000 years ago. The lifestyle of hunter-gatherer was (231) $\qquad$ on hunting animals and foraging for food.Anthropologists (232) $\qquad$ discovered evidence for the practice of hunter-gatherer culture (233) ___ modern humans ( Homo sapiens ) and their distant ancestors dating as (234) $\qquad$ back as two million years ago.
Before the (235) $\qquad$ of hunter-gatherer culture, earlier groups relied on (236) $\qquad$ practice of scavenging animal remains the predators left (237) $\qquad$ . Because hunter-gatherer did not rely on agriculture, (238) $\qquad$ use mobility as a survival strategy. Indeed (239) $\qquad$ lifestyle required access to large areas of (240) ___ to find the food they needed for survival.
231.(a) based $\quad$ (b) basing $\quad$ (c) base $\quad$ (d) bases 232. (a) have
(b) has
(c) had
(d) having
233.
(a) with
(b) from
(c) by
(d) to
234.
(a) far
(b) distant
(c) near
(d) farther
235.
(a) dependence
(b) experience
(c) emergence
(d) departure
236.
(a) an
(b) one
(c) the
(d) a
237.
(a) before
(b) beyond
(a) them
(b) he
(c) beneath
(d) behind
238.
(c) they
(d) we
239.
a) their
(b) our
240. (a) towns
(b) valleys
(c) theirs
(d) its
(c) land
(d) villages

## SET 45 Q(241-245) SSC CGL Tier II 12 September 2019

The other day there was a heavy downpour in our town. The roads looked (241) $\qquad$ small rivulets. There was a house (242) $\qquad$ our locality which was in a (243) $\qquad$ condition. All of a sudden it collapsed (244) $\qquad$ news spread in the whole (245) $\qquad$ like wild fire.
241. (a) same
(b) so as
(c) as
(d) like
242. (a) in
(b) to
(c) at
(d) on

243
(a) destroyed
(b) dilapidated
(d) declined
244. (a) A
(b) Few
245. (a) house
(b) village
(c) One
(d) The
(c) valley
(d) town

## SET 46. Q(246-250) SSC CGL Tier II 13 September 2019

Uncertainty looms over the revival of Naini Lake, a waterbody in the middle of Model Town in North Delhi, due to $\qquad$ (246) in the opinions of residents and local bodies regarding its
desilting and (247). While the Corporation claimed that the lake $\qquad$ (248) for years and several attempts by them to initiate a drive to desilt it were halted because of lack of funds or $\qquad$ (249) from locals, residents alleged that it is $\qquad$ (250) fresh water lake and is free from silt, and only a water treatment plant will be enough to resolve the problem.
246.
(a) feuds
(b) protests
(c) objections
(d) differences
247.
(a) evacuation
(b) beautification
(c) moderation
(d) resolution
248. (a) is desilted
(b) is not to be desilted
(c) hasn't been desilted
(d) has desilted
249. (a) activation
(b) applause
(c) resistance
250. (a) any
(b) some
(d) assault

SET 47. Q(251-260) SSC CGL Tier II 13 September 2019
Packing is one of those chores that seems $\qquad$ (251) simple but it's a skill that most of humanity $\qquad$ (252).Even seasoned travellers end up carrying a $\qquad$ (253) array of stuff they don't use.Heavy bags $\qquad$ (254) be back-breaking and frustrating. Packing $\qquad$ (255) is a test of planning skills
and is indicative of one's ability to $\qquad$ (256) one's life. The
simplest way to pack smart is to $\qquad$ (257) a medium- sized bag so you're not tempted to $\qquad$ (258)more stuff at the last minute.The smart packer doesn't $\qquad$ (259)what -if -I
-need it-category of stuff, the singular reason junk lands in (260) suitcase.
251. (a) deceptively
(b) cleverly
(c) specially
(d) deceitfully
52. (a) do have
(b) does have
(c) don't have
(d) doesn't have
53.
(a) irritating
(b) illuminating
(c) bedazzling
(d) mind boggling
(a) will
(b) mustn't
(c) Should
(d) Can
255.
(a) complicatedly
(b) randomly
(c) deliberately
256.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { (a) detect } & \text { (b) reflect } \\ \text { (a) select } & \text { (b) invest }\end{array}$
(d) strategically
257.
(a) select
(b) invest
(c) go
(d) look
(c) organise
(d) interpret
258. (a) squeeze in
(c) Spreading on
(b) pushing in
259.
(a) live on
(b) stay on
(a) most
(b) the
(c) think on
(d) dwell on
(d) Putting on
260.

SET 48. Q(261-270) SSC CGL Tier II 13 September 2019
It's a magical sight: Just as the light begins to vanish, thousands of tiny penguins waddle $\qquad$ (261) the surf on an island in south-eastern Australia, then $\qquad$ (262) the beach and along well-worn paths toward $\qquad$ (263) burrows. The "Penguin Parade" has been a major attraction since the 1920s, when tourists $\qquad$ (264) by torchlight to view the nightly $\qquad$ (265) the birds. the world's smallest penguin breed, with adults _(266) 13 inches tall. For much of that time, the penguins lived $\qquad$ (267) the residents of a housing development, in tight proximity to cars and pets. The penguins' numbers fell $\qquad$ (268) But in 1985, the state government decided to buy $\qquad$ (269) pieces of property on the Peninsula and return the land to the penguins. Today there are about 31,000 penguins $\qquad$ (270) on the peninsula, up from 12,000 in the 1980s.
261. (a) stand off
(b) passing off
(c) Far off
(d) Out of
262.
(a) move out
(b) move up
(c) moves on
(d) moved to
263. (a) their
(b)those
(c) these
(d) This
264. (a) was lead
(b) had led
(c) were led (d) were leading
265. (a) shining of (b) arrival of (c) Playing off (d) Going of
266. (a) averages (b) average (c) averaging (d) averaged
267. (a) within
(b) among
(c) between
(d) Towards
268. (a) drastically
(b) variously
(c) numerous
(d) clearly
269. (a) all
(b) any
(c) each
(d) some
270. (a) preparing (b) proceeding (c) propelling (d)breeding

## Solution:-

## SET 40

Sol 196. (a) Intently
Intently - with earnest and eager attention.
Smoothly - in a smooth way.
Even - in equal numbers, amounts, or values.
Clearly- in a clear manner; with clarity.
Option (a) is fit to the context of the sentence.
Sol 197.(d) However
"however" should be used as the given sentence gives two opposite meanings in the former and latter part.
Sol 198.(a) at
The preposition "at" should be used with "look"
Look at -to direct your eyes towards someone or something so that you can see them.
Look in - make a short visit or call.
So , option (a) is the answer
Sol 199. (a) Immediately
Immediately - without delay
Keenly - in an eager or enthusiastic manner.
Urgently -in a way that requires immediate action or attention.
Cleverly - in an intelligent, original, or skilful way.
Sol 200. (d) creating
In the given question, the sentence is in the Past continuous tense (was/were + ing), so "was creating" should be used.

## SET 41

Sol 201. (b) finest "The" is used with "superlative degree". So , option (b) is the answer
Sol 202. (a) a lot Both 'A lot of' and 'lots of' can be used with plural countable nouns. So , option (a) is the answer
Sol 203. (d) would have. The given sentence is in the Past tense.
So , option (d) is the answer
Sol 204. (a) still
Still - up to and including the present or the time mentioned
Until - up to (the point in time or the event mentioned).
So , option (a) is fit to the context of the sentence.
Sol 205. (b) was .The sentence is in past tense and the subject is singular 'I. So , option (d) is the answer
Sol 206. (d) drop '1st form of the verb' is used with modals.So , option (d) is the answer
Sol 207.(d) them .The possessive pronoun 'them' is used to replace 'children'.
Sol 208. (c) centre.The given blank should be filled with a noun. Option (c) is appropriate.
Sol 209. (a) open .The given sentence is in active voice. So , 'The studio was open for anyone.' is the answer
Sol 210. (a) to look. To watch - ("Look" means to direct your eyes in a particular direction. "Watch" means to look at someone or something for an amount of time and pay attention to what is happening.)

Looking upon-To consider or regard something in a specific manner. Option (a) is fit to the context of the sentence.

## SET 42

Sol 211.(c) one's
one's is used with One.
Sol 212. (d) and
Conjunction "and" should be used because both the tombs are different.
Sol 213. (d) monuments- ( plural should be used as 10 is given)
Apartments - a flat, typically one that is well appointed or used
for holidays. So , option (d) is fit to the context of the sentence.
Sol 214.(c) Option(a) "peoples" is wrong. "People" is plural which means "more than one person"
Option (b) and (d) mob and residents are inappropriate here.
Sol 215.(d) till. Until / till is used for condition (limit) "up to a . particular point in time"
Sol 216. (a) The given passage is in the Present Tense. So , This morning is the correct phrase.
Sol 217. (d) Tourism Union Minister for Culture and Tourism.
Sol 218. (a) The sentence is in Present tense and the subject is plural 'most monuments'. So , The base form of the verb will be used.
Sol 219.(a) The change will be effective from a later period, so future tense will be used.
. Sol 220.(d) The Preposition "of" should be used with Period (duration).So , option (d) is the answer

## SET 43

Sol 221.(a) 'Hand Over 'is a phrase which is used to pass responsibility to someone else.
Hence, option (a) is the correct choice.
Sol 222. (a) recovered
RULE: Use the Simple Past to express the idea that an action started and finished at a specific time in the past. In this sentence, the action has finished, so past tense (recovered) should be used.
Sol 223. (a) garden
The first sentence is about a gardner: (a person who is employed to cultivate or care for a garden)
.Hence, option (a) is the correct choice.
Sol 224. (d) police
This blank (4) is in direct link with the first line of the paragraph.
In a rare show of honesty, a gardener of the irrigation department has handed over to the police 57 tolas of gold recovered by him. From the first sentence it is clear that the correct option will be police.
Sol 225. (d) gold
The Blank (5) is in direct link with the first line of the paragraph. From the first sentence it is clear
Sol 226. (c) for
The conjunction "for" is used to define the purpose ( here the purpose is investigation).
Sol 227. (c) that
Until is used with a time bound condition. While is used to show the time during which something else is happening. Sol 228.(d)Covered

Covered - put something on top of or in front of (something) in order to protect or conceal it.
Sheltered - protect or shield from something harmful, especially bad weather.
(b) Topped - having a top, topping, or surface of a specified kind.
Enclosed - surrounded or closed off on all sides.
So , option (d) is fit to the context of the sentence.
Sol 229. (a) Only Option (a) is an adjective here.
Other options-deepen (verb), deeply (adverb) and depth (noun) are irrelevant.
Sol 230.(d) Picked up - take hold of and lift or move someone or something.
Picked on -choose something from a number of choices. Picked over- sort through a number of items carefully.
So , Option (d) is the answer

## SET 44

Sol 231.(a) based
In passive form of past tense was/ were +3 rd form of the verb should be used.
Sol 232.(a) "Have" should be used with a plural noun (Anthropologists)
Sol 233.(c) The practice is followed by modern humans.
Sol 234. (a) Far - over a large expanse of space or time.
Distant - at a specified distance.
Farther - at, to, or by a great distance
So , option (a) is the most logical answer.
Sol 235.(c) Emergence - the process of coming into existence or prominence.
Dependence - the state of relying on or being controlled by someone or something else.
Experience - the knowledge or skill acquired by a period of practical experience of something, especially that gained in a particular profession.
Departure - the action of leaving, especially to start a journey.
So , option (b) is the answer
Sol 236.(c) the
'The' is the definite article and is used with a specific thing. (here the practice of scavenging animal)
Sol 237. (d) behind-
'Left behind' is a phrasal verb which means to leave something and go away permanently from them.
Beyond - at or to the further side of.
Beneath - extending or directly underneath.
Sol 238.(c) they. The pronoun "they" should be used for the plural noun "hunter-gatherer" So , option (c) is correct.
Sol 239.(a) their .Possessive Pronoun "their" should be used for the plural noun "hunter-gatherer"
Sol 240. (c) land. The given paragraph is about early humans. They searched land to find food. Other options, valleys, towns, and villages are irrelevant in this context.

## SET 45

Sol 241. (d) like."Look like" is a correct phrase which means to resemble (someone or something).
So , Option (d) is the answer
Sol 242. (a) in .The preposition "in" should be used here.
Sol 243.(b) Dilapidated

Dilapidated - in a state of disrepair or ruin as a result of age or neglect.
Destroyed - end the existence of (something) by damaging or attacking it.
Dejected - sad and depressed; dispirited.
Declined - become smaller, fewer, or less; decrease.
So , option (b) is the answer
Sol 244. (d) The. News is singular and uncountable, "a" and "One" can't be used with "news"
Few is used with countable nouns.
Sol 245.(d) town
Read the passage carefully. The answer is in the first line. "The other day there was a heavy downpour in our town."
Valley - a low area of land between hills or mountains, typically with a river or stream flowing through it.

## SET 46

Sol 246. (d) Differences
Differences - disagreement
Feuds -a prolonged and bitter quarrel or dispute.
Protests - a statement or action expressing disapproval of or objection to something.
Objections - an expression or feeling of disapproval or opposition; a reason for disagreeing.
Option (d) is fit to the context of the sentence.
Sol 247. (b) Beautification
Beautification - the action or process of improving the appearance of a person or place.
Evacuation - the action of evacuating a person or a place.
Moderation -the avoidance of excess or extremes, especially in one's behaviour or political opinions.
Resolution -a firm decision to do or not to do something.
So , option (b) is the most suitable option.
Sol 248.(c) hasn't been desilted
The given sentence is in past tense and the work has not yet been completed, so present perfect tense will be used.
Sol 249.(c) Resistance
Resistance - the refusal to accept or comply with something.
Activation - the action or process of making something active or operative.
Applause - approval or praise expressed by clapping.
Assault - make a physical attack on.
Option (c) is fit to the context of the sentence.
Sol 250. (d) a
The given passage is about Naini lake. Which is a singular noun and the given word after the blank 'fresh' starts with a consonant sound. So , option (d) is the answer

## SET 47

Sol 251. (a) Deceptively
Deceptively - make somebody believe something that is not true Cleverly - in an intelligent, original, or skilful way.
Specially - for a special purpose
Deceitfully - in a way that keeps the truth hidden, especially to get an advantage.
Option (a) is the most logical answer.
Sol 252.(d) doesn't have ( The given paragraph is in present tense)

If the object after "most of" is singular then the verb is singular too, here the object is singular (humanity) and "Have" is used for possession.
Sol 253.(d) Mind boggling
Mind boggling - difficult to imagine, understand or believe
Irritating -to make somebody angry; to annoy
Illuminating - helping to explain something
Bedazzling - greatly impress (someone) with outstanding ability
Option (d) is fit to the context of the sentence.
Sol 254.(d) Can. Here, "can" is used to express possibility.
Sol 255. (d) Strategically
Strategically - in a way that relates to the achievement of long-term or overall aims and interests.
Complicatedly - something difficult to understand or deal with
Randomly -without method or conscious decision
Deliberately -on purpose
Option (b) is fit to the context of the sentence.
Sol 256. (c) Organise
Organise - arrange systematically; order.
Detect - discover or identify the presence or existence of.
Reflect - (of a surface or body) throwback (heat, light, or sound) without absorbing it.
Interpret -explain the meaning of (information or actions).
"Packing" is related to "organize". So , option (c) is the answer
Sol 257. (a) select
Option (a) is the most logical answer.
Invest - put (money) into financial schemes, shares, property, or a commercial venture with the expectation of achieving a profit.
Sol 258. (a) Squeeze in
Squeeze in - To manage to make room or time for someone or something in a tight space or schedule by or as if by exerting pressure
Pushing in - go in front of people who are already queuing.
Spreading on-open out (something) so as to extend its surface area, width, or length.
Putting on - to dress oneself in
Option (a) is the most logical answer.
Sol 259.(d)
Dwell on - to spend a lot of time thinking or talking about something unpleasant
Live on-to have a particular amount of money to buy the things that you need to live
Stay on-to remain at a job, school, or place for longer than you had intended to
Think on- think of or about
Sol 260. (b) the
'The' is the definite article, which is used for a specific thing.

## SET 48

Sol 261. (d) Out of should be used here
Stand off - move or keep away.
Passing off - Making some false representation likely to induce a person to believe that the goods or services are those of another.
Far off - remote in time or space.
Out of - Way from the inside of something
Sol 262. (b) Move up
Move up - rise to a higher level
Move out- Change lane or position to pass a vehicle
Moves on -. to attempt to pick up someone

Moved to - to cause (someone) to feel (an emotion and especially sadness or sympathy)
Sol 263.(a) their
Possessive pronouns are used to replace plural nouns (Here 'penguins' is a plural noun). So , option (a) is the answer
Sol 264.(c) were led
The given sentence is in past tense and the subject of the sentence is a plural noun (tourists). The passive voice. In the passive form of the sentence, we use was/were +3 rd form of the verb.So, option (c) is the answer
Sol 265. (b) Arrival of
Arrival of - the action or process of arriving.
Playing off - to play a game (in team)
Going of - to stop holding or gripping
Shining of - giving out or reflecting bright light.
Option (b) is the most logical answer because the birds came at night.
Sol 266. (c) averaging
According to the structure of the sentence, gerund or present participle will be used in the blank.
So , option (c) is the answer
Sol 267. (b) among
Live among is to live as an outsider with some group. Here 'residence' is the group of people.
Between - at, into, or across the space separating (two objects or regions).
So , option (b) is the answer
Sol 268.(a) drastically-extremely; very.
The penguins' numbers fell $\qquad$ (553) but in 1985, the state government decided to buy
(b) variously-in several or different ways.
(c) numerously-being or existing in great quantity(many)
(d) clearly-in a clear manner; with clarity.

Sol 269.(a) All should be used with plural object (pieces of property)
Sol 270. (d) Breeding
Breeding - the mating and production of offspring by animals.
Preparing - make (something) ready for use or consideration.
Proceeding - begin a course of action.
Propelling - drive or push something forward.
So , 'Today there are about 31,000 penguins breeding on the peninsula, up from 12,000 in the 1980 s.' is the correct sentence.

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## SET 49. Q(271-280) SSC CGL Tier II 15/11/2020

Temptations of one kind or another lure everyone. The important thing is (271)___ them from gaining a foothold in our (272) $\qquad$ . As soon as we detect the first (273) $\qquad$ of temptation, we should become watchful and (274)___our attention to good or noble thoughts.(275)___ we wait till the temptation becomes too (276) $\qquad$ , we are likely to fall. Playing with the temptation(277) $\qquad$ to welcoming it. In fact, the safest(278) $\qquad$ is to avoid situations in which we may be tempted. If,(279) $\qquad$ all our care, a temptation becomes severe. We (280) $\qquad$ not get upSET or disappointed, but turn to a good friend for advice and help.
271. (a) to preventing
(b) prevent
(c) to prevent
(d) prevented
272. (a) Souls
(b) Minds
(c) Bodies
(d) Eyes
273. (a) Codes
(b) Messages
(c) Signs
(d) symbols
274. (a) turn
(b) change
(c) twist
(d) revolve
275.

## (a) If

(b) Whether
(c) Unless
(d) Until
276.
(a) feeble
(b) weak
(c) burly
(d) strong
277.
(a) Amount
(b) Amounted
(c) Amounts
(d) Amounting
278.
(a) object
(b) item
(c) thing
(d) track
(a) instead of
(b) incase of
(c) despite
(d) because of
280.
(a) Might
(b) could
(c) should
(d) would

## SET 50. Q(281-290) SSC CGL Tier II 15/11/2020

Antarctica is perhaps the one place on earth no one would have expected (281)___canyons. And yet, scientists were surprised to (282)___deep crevices that run for hundreds of kilometres.(283)___they are not visible at the snowy surface,(284)___trenches cut deep into Antarctica. The biggest (285)___canyon is over 350 km long. It's called 'Foundation Trough'.(286) $\qquad$ canyons are not as long, but they are (287) $\qquad$ too. Thes These canyons were found with the help of radars(288) $\qquad$ scanning the wide expanse of the frozen continent.(289) $\qquad$ are incredibly important because they help control(290) $\qquad$ flow of the ice.
281.
(b) To find
(c) Find
(d) Found
282.
(a) Discover
(b) Search
(c) explor
(d) invent
283.
(c) In case
(d) Since
4. (a) Those
(b) Them
(c) these
(d) this
(a) so
(b) such
(c) one
(d) like
286.
(a) present
(b) another
(c) other
(d) previous
288.

## (a) intense

(b) impressive
(c) exciting
(d) inspiring
288.
(b) before
(c) when
(d) until
289.
(a) they
(b) that
(c) them
(d) this
290.
(a) one
(b) the
(c) such
(d) a

## SET 51. Q(291-295) SSC CGL Tier II 15/11/2020

The endurance of the crowds lining the Coronation route was most commendable. Soaked, chilled and sleepless,(291)___remained wonderfully good-tempered and when the procession finally (292)___they cheered whole-heartedly. The great merit of a (293) $\qquad$ crowd is that its members remain individuals. It is (294) $\qquad$ characteristic of the British culture that British people can collect in crowds(295) do not turn into mobs.
291. (a) we
(b) it
(c) they
(d) he
292. (a) entere
(b) appeared (c) joined
(d) finished
293. (a) british
(b) french
(c) Indian
(d) Asian
294. (a) only
(b) therefore (c) perhaps
(d) moreover
295. (a) Which
(b) what
(c) who
(d) whom

## SET 52. Q(296-305) SSC CGL Tier II 16/11/2020

A market place is always abuzz with activity. It is especially (296) $\qquad$ a visit in the evenings. A (297) $\qquad$ range of items are on display. (298) $\qquad$ and getting a satisfactory (299) $\qquad$ give the necessary sense of (300) $\qquad$ to the bored housewife and bring a smile (301) ___ her face. People from all (302) $\qquad$ of life, rich and poor,(303) $\qquad$ shoulders with each other. From their busy (304) $\qquad$ , here people find time to (305) $\qquad$ a greeting with friends and neighbours.
296. (a)asset
(b) value
(c)worth
(d)credit
297. (a)narrow
(b) short
(c)wide
(d)tall
298. (a)Debating
(b)Snatching(c)Fighting
(d)Bargaining
299. (a)deal
(b)contract
(c)case
(d)pact

