

IBPS PO 2025 Shift 1 Prelims Memory Based Paper

Reasoning Ability

35 Questions | 35 Marks | 20 min

Quantitative Aptitude

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English Language

30 Questions | 30 Marks | 20 min

SECTION I: REASONING ABILITY (Q1–Q35)

Directions: (Q1–Q5) Read the following information carefully and answer the questions. Eight persons — A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H — are sitting in a straight row facing North. Not all information is necessarily in the given order. B sits third to the right of H. Only two persons sit between B and E. A sits immediately to the right of E. G sits second to the left of A. F sits third to the right of G. D sits between C and H but not at either extreme end. The number of persons to the left of C equals the number of persons to the right of F.

Q1. How many persons are sitting between H and F?

- (a) Two
- (b) Three
- (c) Four
- (d) Five
- (e) More than five

Q2. Who is sitting at the extreme right end of the row?

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) E
- (e) None of these

Q3. What is the position of G with respect to B?

- (a) Third to the left
- (b) Fourth to the left
- (c) Second to the left
- (d) Third to the right
- (e) Fifth to the left

Q4. Which of the following pairs sit at the extreme ends of the row?

- (a) C and A
- (b) H and E
- (c) C and B
- (d) H and B
- (e) C and F

Q5. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way and form a group. Who does NOT belong to the group?

- (a) G
- (b) F
- (c) D
- (d) A
- (e) H

Directions: (Q6–Q8) Six persons P, Q, R, S, T and U are sitting around a circular table, some facing the centre and some facing away. Q sits second to the right of P. S sits third to the left of Q. T and U are immediate neighbours of S but T does not face the same direction as S. R sits between Q and U. P, Q and R face the centre; S and U face away from the centre.

Q6. Who is sitting second to the left of R?

- (a) P
- (b) T
- (c) U
- (d) S

(e) Q

Q7. How many persons face the centre?

- (a) Two
- (b) Three
- (c) Four
- (d) Five
- (e) Cannot be determined

Q8. Which of the following sits exactly opposite to P?

- (a) S
- (b) U
- (c) T
- (d) R
- (e) Q

Directions: (Q9–Q10) In each question, two/three statements are given followed by two conclusions I and II. Take the statements to be true even if they seem at variance with commonly known facts. Decide which conclusion logically follows.

(a) Only I follows (b) Only II follows (c) Either I or II follows (d) Neither I nor II follows (e) Both I and II follow

Q9. Statements: All rivers are lakes. Some lakes are ponds. No pond is a well.

Conclusions: I. Some rivers are ponds. II. No lake is a well.

Q10. Statements: Only a few planets are stars. All stars are galaxies. No galaxy is a comet.

Conclusions: I. Some planets are not comets. II. All galaxies being planets is a possibility.

Q11. Statements: Some books are pens. Only a few pens are erasers. All erasers are rulers.

Conclusions: I. Some books are rulers. II. All pens being rulers is a possibility.

Directions: (Q12–Q13) In each question, a statement with symbols is given. Based on the given statements, find which conclusions are true.

(a) Only I true (b) Only II true (c) Either I or II true (d) Neither I nor II true (e) Both I and II true

Q12. Statement: $J \geq K > L = M \leq N$; $O < K = P \leq Q$

Conclusions: I. $J > O$ II. $Q \geq L$

Q13. Statement: $A = B \geq C > D$; $E \leq F < D$; $G = H > C$

Conclusions: I. $G > E$ II. $A > F$

Directions: (Q14–Q16) Read carefully. In a family of six members — M, N, O, P, Q and R — there are two married couples and three generations. M is the father-in-law of N. O is the son of N. P is the sister of O. Q is the mother of M. R is married to M. N is not the mother of P. No single parent exists in the family.

Q14. How is Q related to O?

- (a) Mother
- (b) Grandmother
- (c) Aunt
- (d) Great-grandmother
- (e) Cannot be determined

Q15. How many female members are there in the family?

- (a) One
- (b) Two
- (c) Three
- (d) Four
- (e) Cannot be determined

Q16. How is P related to R?

- (a) Daughter
- (b) Granddaughter
- (c) Niece

- (d) Sister
- (e) Cannot be determined

Directions: (Q17–Q21) Seven employees — A, B, C, D, E, F and G — attend interviews on seven consecutive days starting from Monday. Each has an interview at a different time slot. C attends on Wednesday. Two persons attend between C and D. E attends immediately before D. F attends three days after B. G attends on the day immediately after A. A does not attend on Monday or Tuesday. B attends before A.

Q17. Who attends the interview on Monday?

- (a) B
- (b) F
- (c) G
- (d) E
- (e) A

Q18. How many persons attend between B and G?

- (a) One
- (b) Two
- (c) Three
- (d) Four
- (e) More than four

Q19. On which day does D attend?

- (a) Thursday
- (b) Friday
- (c) Saturday
- (d) Sunday
- (e) Tuesday

Q20. Which of the following pairs attends on consecutive days?

- (a) A and C
- (b) D and F
- (c) B and E
- (d) C and G
- (e) F and G

Q21. Four of the following five are alike. Who does NOT belong to the group?

- (a) A
- (b) C
- (c) E
- (d) G
- (e) F

Directions: (Q22–Q24) A person starts from point X walking 12 m North, then turns East and walks 9 m to reach point Y. From Y he turns South and walks 18 m to reach point Z. From Z he turns West and walks 5 m to reach point W. From W he turns North and walks 6 m to reach point V.

Q22. What is the shortest distance between point V and point Y?

- (a) 4 m
- (b) 5 m
- (c) 6 m
- (d) 8 m
- (e) Cannot be determined

Q23. In which direction is point W with respect to point X?

- (a) South-East
- (b) South-West
- (c) North-West
- (d) South
- (e) South-East

Q24. What is the distance between X and Z (shortest path)?

- (a) 15 m
- (b) 12 m
- (c) 10 m
- (d) 18 m
- (e) None of these

Directions: (Q25–Q27) In a certain code language: 'star bright night sky' is coded as 'mn pk rj tz'; 'night cold dark star' is coded as 'rj bc tz qp'; 'bright sky warm sun' is coded as 'mn pk yw xz'; 'dark sun cold moon' is coded as 'bc yw qp lm'.

Q25. What is the code for 'moon'?

- (a) lm
- (b) bc
- (c) yw
- (d) qp
- (e) Cannot be determined

Q26. What does the code 'tz' stand for?

- (a) bright
- (b) night
- (c) star
- (d) sky
- (e) dark

Q27. Which of the following may be the code for 'warm cold night'?

- (a) yw bc rj
- (b) xz qp rj
- (c) yw qp rj
- (d) mn bc rj
- (e) Cannot be determined

Q28. How many meaningful English words can be formed using the 2nd, 4th, 6th and 9th letters of the word GROUNDWORK (using each letter only once)? If no word: @; if more than three: #

- (a) One
- (b) Two
- (c) Three
- (d) #
- (e) @

Q29. In the number 5 8 3 7 2 9 4 6 1, how many pairs of digits have the same number of digits between them (in the number) as in the natural number series (both forward and backward)?

- (a) None
- (b) One
- (c) Two
- (d) Three
- (e) More than three

Q30. Find the odd one out from the letter clusters below:

- (a) ACFJ
- (b) BDHM
- (c) EGKP
- (d) FHJN
- (e) CEIL

Directions: (Q31–Q35) Seven persons A, B, C, D, E, F and G live on seven different floors of a building (ground floor = 1, topmost = 7). G lives on an even-numbered floor above floor 4. Two persons live between G and B. A lives immediately below C. C lives on floor 3. E lives on a floor higher than D but lower than F. F does not live on the topmost floor. B lives below A.

Q31. Who lives on the topmost floor?

- (a) E

- (b) F
- (c) G
- (d) A
- (e) Cannot be determined

Q32. How many persons live between D and G?

- (a) One
- (b) Two
- (c) Three
- (d) Four
- (e) None

Q33. On which floor does B live?

- (a) 1st
- (b) 2nd
- (c) 3rd
- (d) 4th
- (e) 5th

Q34. Which of the following statements is TRUE?

- (a) F is on floor 6
- (b) E is on floor 5
- (c) D is on floor 1
- (d) G is on floor 6
- (e) B is on floor 2

Q35. Who lives immediately above E?

- (a) F
- (b) G
- (c) D
- (d) A
- (e) Cannot be determined

SECTION II: QUANTITATIVE APTITUDE (Q36–Q70)

Directions: (Q36–Q39) In each question, two equations I and II are given. Solve them and mark:

(a) $x = y$ or no relation (b) $x > y$ (c) $x < y$ (d) $x \geq y$ (e) $x \leq y$

Q36. I. $2x^2 - 11x + 15 = 0$ II. $3y^2 - 16y + 21 = 0$

Q37. I. $x^2 - 7x + 12 = 0$ II. $2y^2 - 9y + 10 = 0$

Q38. I. $3x^2 + 17x + 24 = 0$ II. $4y^2 + 15y + 14 = 0$

Q39. I. $x^2 - 3x - 28 = 0$ II. $y^2 + y - 20 = 0$

Directions: (Q40–Q43) Find the approximate value of x in each equation.

Q40. $\sqrt{(624.87) + (17.96)^2} - 143.12 = x$

- (a) 186
- (b) 196
- (c) 176
- (d) 206
- (e) 216

Q41. 42.03% of $749.98 + 18.97\%$ of $549.89 = x$

- (a) 415
- (b) 435
- (c) 455
- (d) 395
- (e) 375

Q42. $x^2 + (14.99)^2 = 45.01\%$ of $799.98 + 136.12$

- (a) 18
- (b) 16
- (c) 20
- (d) 22
- (e) 24

Q43. $(839.97 \div 29.98) + (11.01)^2 + 24.89 = x\%$ of 200.03

- (a) 95
- (b) 110
- (c) 85
- (d) 100
- (e) 120

Directions: (Q44–Q48) The table shows the number of students who appeared and passed in five subjects in an examination. Study it and answer the questions.

Subject	Appeared	Passed	Pass% (approx)
Mathematics	1200	780	65%
Science	1500	1050	70%
English	900	576	64%
History	1100	660	60%
Geography	800	520	65%

Q44. The number of students who failed in Science is what percentage of those who appeared in Mathematics?

- (a) 25%
- (b) 30%
- (c) 35%
- (d) 40%

(e) 45%

Q45. What is the average number of students who passed across all five subjects?

- (a) 706
- (b) 717
- (c) 717.2
- (d) 712
- (e) None of these

Q46. If 20% of those who failed in English appeared again and 50% of them passed, how many additional students passed in English?

- (a) 32
- (b) 33
- (c) 34
- (d) 35
- (e) 36

Q47. The total number of students who appeared in Geography and History together is what percentage more/less than those who appeared in Science?

- (a) 20% more
- (b) 20% less
- (c) 13.33% less
- (d) 13.33% more
- (e) None of these

Q48. In which subject is the ratio of passed to failed students the highest?

- (a) Mathematics
- (b) Science
- (c) English
- (d) History
- (e) Geography

Q49. A and B together can complete a work in 12 days. B and C together can complete the same work in 15 days. A and C together can complete it in 20 days. In how many days can A alone complete the work?

- (a) 24 days
- (b) 30 days
- (c) 20 days
- (d) 40 days
- (e) None of these

Q50. A boat covers 48 km upstream in 6 hours and 60 km downstream in 4 hours. What is the speed of the stream (km/h)?

- (a) 3
- (b) 4
- (c) 5
- (d) 2.5
- (e) None of these

Q51. A sum of ₹12,000 is invested at compound interest: half at 10% p.a. and half at 12% p.a. for 2 years. What is the total amount received?

- (a) ₹14,652
- (b) ₹14,784
- (c) ₹14,892
- (d) ₹14,556
- (e) None of these

Q52. A shopkeeper marks an article 40% above cost price and gives a discount of 15%. If he still makes a profit of ₹375, what is the cost price?

- (a) ₹1,500
- (b) ₹2,000
- (c) ₹1,800

- (d) ■2,500
- (e) None of these

Q53. In a mixture of 80 litres, milk and water are in ratio 7:3. How much water must be added so that the ratio becomes 7:5?

- (a) 14 L
- (b) 16 L
- (c) 18 L
- (d) 20 L
- (e) None of these

Q54. Train P of length 240 m crosses a platform of length 360 m in 30 seconds. Train Q running in the opposite direction crosses Train P in 12 seconds. Find the length of Train Q if its speed is 54 km/h.

- (a) 120 m
- (b) 160 m
- (c) 180 m
- (d) 200 m
- (e) None of these

Q55. The average age of 30 students in a class is 16 years. If the teacher's age is included, the average increases by 1. What is the age of the teacher?

- (a) 46 years
- (b) 47 years
- (c) 48 years
- (d) 49 years
- (e) None of these

Directions: (Q56–Q60) The following data shows the profit percentage of five companies (A, B, C, D, E) for two consecutive years 2023 and 2024. The income of all companies in 2023 was ■5 lakhs each.

Profit% in 2023: A=20, B=25, C=30, D=15, E=35

Profit% in 2024: A=30, B=20, C=25, D=40, E=30

Note: Profit = Income – Expenditure

Q56. What is the expenditure of Company C in 2023 (in ■ lakhs)?

- (a) 3.0
- (b) 3.5
- (c) 3.85
- (d) 4.0
- (e) None of these

Q57. If the income of Company D in 2024 is 20% more than in 2023, what is its profit in 2024 (in ■ lakhs)?

- (a) 1.2
- (b) 1.5
- (c) 1.8
- (d) 2.0
- (e) 2.4

Q58. The profit of Company B in 2023 is what percentage of the profit of Company E in 2023?

- (a) 55.55%
- (b) 71.43%
- (c) 83.33%
- (d) 62.5%
- (e) None of these

Q59. If the income of Company A in 2024 is ■6 lakhs, what is its expenditure?

- (a) ■3.6 L
- (b) ■4.0 L
- (c) ■4.2 L
- (d) ■4.5 L
- (e) None of these

Q60. The total expenditure of all five companies in 2023 is (■ lakhs):

- (a) 19.5
- (b) 20.0
- (c) 20.5
- (d) 21.0
- (e) None of these

Q61. P invests ■8,000 for 6 months and Q invests ■6,000 for 8 months in a business. If total profit is ■5,600, find Q's share.

- (a) ■2,400
- (b) ■2,800
- (c) ■3,200
- (d) ■3,000
- (e) None of these

Q62. A cistern can be filled by pipe A in 20 hours and by pipe B in 30 hours. Pipe C can empty it in 15 hours. If all three open together, in how many hours will the cistern be filled?

- (a) 50 hours
- (b) 60 hours
- (c) 45 hours
- (d) 55 hours
- (e) None of these

Q63. Find the number of ways to arrange the letters of the word ARRANGE such that the two R's are always together.

- (a) 360
- (b) 720
- (c) 1260
- (d) 2520
- (e) None of these

Q64. The simple interest on a sum for 4 years at 8% p.a. is ■3,840 less than the compound interest on the same sum at 10% p.a. for 2 years. Find the sum.

- (a) ■12,000
- (b) ■15,000
- (c) ■16,000
- (d) ■18,000
- (e) None of these

Q65. A rectangular field has its length 25% more than its breadth. If the perimeter is 360 m, what is the area of the field?

- (a) 7,200 m²
- (b) 8,000 m²
- (c) 8,100 m²
- (d) 7,600 m²
- (e) None of these

Directions: (Q66–Q70) Find the missing term (?) in each number series.

Q66. 3, 7, 15, 31, 63, ?

- (a) 127
- (b) 125
- (c) 131
- (d) 121
- (e) None of these

Q67. 5, 10, 20, 40, 80, ?

- (a) 140
- (b) 160
- (c) 120

- (d) 200
- (e) None of these

Q68. 144, 121, 100, 81, 64, ?

- (a) 49
- (b) 36
- (c) 25
- (d) 16
- (e) None of these

Q69. 2, 6, 12, 20, 30, 42, ?

- (a) 54
- (b) 56
- (c) 58
- (d) 60
- (e) None of these

Q70. 1000, 500, 250, 125, 62.5, ?

- (a) 30
- (b) 31.25
- (c) 32.5
- (d) 33.75
- (e) None of these

SECTION III: ENGLISH LANGUAGE (Q71–Q100)

Directions: (Q71–Q78) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below.

The concept of financial inclusion has emerged as a cornerstone of sustainable economic development, particularly in developing economies where large segments of the population remain excluded from formal banking services. Financial inclusion refers to the delivery of affordable financial services — including credit, insurance, savings, and payment mechanisms — to the unbanked and underbanked populations. The absence of access to such services perpetuates cycles of poverty, as individuals without bank accounts are unable to save securely, access credit at reasonable interest rates, or protect themselves against financial shocks. Governments and international organisations have recognised the transformative potential of digital technologies in bridging this gap. Mobile banking platforms, digital wallets, and microfinance institutions have collectively expanded the frontiers of financial access. India's Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana (PMJDY), launched in 2014, stands as a remarkable example of a state-led initiative that brought over 500 million previously unbanked citizens into the formal financial system within a decade. The scheme leveraged the pervasiveness of mobile phones and the government's biometric identity infrastructure to onboard citizens efficiently. However, access alone does not guarantee meaningful inclusion. Research consistently highlights that financial literacy — the ability to understand and effectively apply financial skills — is equally critical. Without adequate financial literacy, new account holders often remain passive, failing to utilise the services available to them. This phenomenon, termed 'dormant inclusion', poses a significant challenge to policymakers. Furthermore, gender disparities compound the problem: women, particularly in rural areas, face additional socio-cultural barriers that restrict their financial autonomy even when access exists. The road ahead requires a multi-pronged approach. Investments in infrastructure, particularly last-mile connectivity, must be matched with robust financial education programmes. Regulatory frameworks should encourage innovation while protecting consumers from predatory lending and data misuse. The ultimate goal is not merely to count the banked but to ensure that financial services genuinely improve livelihoods.

Q71. According to the passage, what is the primary consequence of being excluded from formal banking?

- (a) Inability to invest in education
- (b) Perpetuation of poverty cycles due to lack of secure savings and credit
- (c) Dependence on foreign remittances
- (d) Increased migration to urban areas
- (e) Loss of government subsidies

Q72. Which of the following best describes 'dormant inclusion' as used in the passage?

- (a) Accounts that are opened but never activated
- (b) Citizens who possess accounts but do not actively use financial services
- (c) Banks that do not offer rural services
- (d) Government schemes that lack implementation
- (e) Financial literacy programmes that are inactive

Q73. What does the passage suggest as the PRIMARY reason why access to banking alone is insufficient for financial inclusion?

- (a) Lack of internet connectivity in rural regions
- (b) Predatory lending practices by microfinance institutions
- (c) Absence of financial literacy among new account holders
- (d) Government failure to provide adequate subsidies
- (e) Over-reliance on digital platforms

Q74. The Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana is cited in the passage as an example of:

- (a) A private sector initiative to expand credit access
- (b) A state-led programme that successfully integrated millions into formal banking
- (c) An international financial inclusion framework
- (d) A microfinance model adopted by NGOs
- (e) A rural digital literacy campaign

Q75. Which of the following is NOT mentioned in the passage as a challenge to financial inclusion?

- (a) Gender disparities in rural areas
- (b) Lack of financial literacy
- (c) Inadequate last-mile connectivity infrastructure

- (d) High inflation eroding savings
- (e) Dormant account holders

Q76. What does the word 'pervasiveness' most nearly mean as used in the passage?

- (a) Scarcity
- (b) Widespread presence
- (c) Accessibility
- (d) Affordability
- (e) Penetration

Q77. Which of the following is the most appropriate title for the passage?

- (a) India's PMJDY: A Success Story
- (b) Mobile Banking and Its Limitations
- (c) Beyond Access: The True Challenge of Financial Inclusion
- (d) Digital Wallets and Rural Development
- (e) Government Regulation in Financial Services

Q78. The author's tone in the final paragraph is best described as:

- (a) Critical and pessimistic
- (b) Prescriptive and forward-looking
- (c) Neutral and descriptive
- (d) Celebratory and optimistic
- (e) Cynical and dismissive

Directions: (Q79–Q83) In the passage below, each blank is numbered. Choose the most appropriate word from the options to fill each blank.

Climate change has moved from being a distant (79)_____ to an immediate crisis that demands urgent collective action. Scientists warn that without (80)_____ intervention, global temperatures could rise by more than 2°C above pre-industrial levels, triggering irreversible ecological damage. Governments across the world are now (81)_____ to implement policies that balance economic growth with environmental (82)_____. Renewable energy, sustainable agriculture and carbon capture technologies have emerged as pivotal tools. However, the transition is neither simple nor cheap, and it requires unprecedented (83)_____ among nations, industries and civil society.

Q79. Which word best fills blank (79)?

- (a) reality
- (b) threat
- (c) hypothesis
- (d) concern
- (e) myth

Q80. Which word best fills blank (80)?

- (a) minimal
- (b) delayed
- (c) decisive
- (d) selective
- (e) gradual

Q81. Which word best fills blank (81)?

- (a) reluctant
- (b) compelled
- (c) advised
- (d) invited
- (e) afraid

Q82. Which word best fills blank (82)?

- (a) destruction
- (b) awareness
- (c) sustainability
- (d) legislation

(e) recovery

Q83. Which word best fills blank (83)?

- (a) rivalry
- (b) ambition
- (c) collaboration
- (d) negotiation
- (e) investment

Directions: (Q84–Q88) Each sentence is divided into four parts (A), (B), (C), (D). Identify the part that contains a grammatical error. If no error, choose (e).

Q84. The committee have (A) / reached a consensus (B) / on the proposed (C) / amendments to the policy. (D)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No error

Q85. Neither the manager (A) / nor the employees (B) / was informed about (C) / the sudden change in schedule. (D)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No error

Q86. She had been working (A) / on this project since (B) / the last five years (C) / without a single break. (D)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No error

Q87. The data collected (A) / by the research team (B) / clearly indicate (C) / a rise in urban poverty. (D)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No error

Q88. It is essential that (A) / every citizen fulfils (B) / their civic duties (C) / for society to function. (D)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No error

Directions: (Q89–Q93) Rearrange the following sentences (A–E) to form a meaningful paragraph. Answer the questions that follow.

(A) Without this security, investments dry up and economies stagnate.

(B) The rule of law is widely regarded as the bedrock of a functioning democracy.

(C) Businesses require predictable legal frameworks to plan and operate effectively.

(D) It ensures that individuals and institutions are held accountable for their actions.

(E) When laws are enforced fairly, citizens feel safe and are willing to invest in the future.

Q89. Which sentence should come FIRST?

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

(e) E

Q90. Which sentence should come SECOND?

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) E

Q91. Which sentence should come THIRD?

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) E

Q92. Which sentence should come FOURTH?

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) E

Q93. Which sentence should come FIFTH (last)?

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) E

Directions: (Q94–Q96) In each sentence, a word is highlighted in bold. Choose the option that is closest in meaning to the highlighted word and fits the context appropriately.

Q94. The new regulation was designed to mitigate the adverse effects of industrial pollution on local communities.

- (a) amplify
- (b) reduce
- (c) evaluate
- (d) delay
- (e) overlook

Q95. The scientist's seminal research on gene editing opened new frontiers in medical treatment.

- (a) controversial
- (b) preliminary
- (c) groundbreaking
- (d) obsolete
- (e) derivative

Q96. The government's stringent measures to curb corruption received widespread public approval.

- (a) lenient
- (b) ambiguous
- (c) rigorous
- (d) temporary
- (e) nominal

Directions: (Q97–Q100) In each question, a sentence has four highlighted words that may or may not be in their correct positions. Find the correct pair(s) to be swapped to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct. If no swap is needed, choose 'No interchange required'.

Q97. The rising (A) of cost living (B) has forced (C) many families to curtail (D) their discretionary spending significantly.

- (a) A–B
- (b) B–C
- (c) A–C and B–D
- (d) B–D
- (e) No interchange required

Q98. Scientists have discovered (A) that regular (B) exercise can significantly reduce (C) the delay (D) of cognitive decline in elderly individuals.

- (a) A–B
- (b) C–D
- (c) B–C
- (d) A–D
- (e) No interchange required

Q99. The government's ambitious (A) scheme aims to provide (B) affordable housing for the economically (C) weaker sections of urban (D) populations.

- (a) A–D
- (b) B–C
- (c) A–B
- (d) C–D
- (e) No interchange required

Q100. With increasing (A) globalisation, companies are rapidly (B) expanding their footprint (C) across emerging (D) economies.

- (a) A–B
- (b) B–C
- (c) C–D
- (d) A–D
- (e) No interchange required

ANSWER KEY

Note: This is a memory-based mock paper. Answers are provided for reference. Detailed solutions can be worked out based on the clues given in each puzzle/set.

SECTION I – REASONING ABILITY

Q1.(c)	Q2.(c)	Q3.(a)	Q4.(e)	Q5.(d)
Q6.(b)	Q7.(b)	Q8.(c)	Q9.(d)	Q10.(e)
Q11.(b)	Q12.(e)	Q13.(e)	Q14.(b)	Q15.(c)
Q16.(a)	Q17.(a)	Q18.(c)	Q19.(d)	Q20.(b)
Q21.(e)	Q22.(b)	Q23.(b)	Q24.(a)	Q25.(a)
Q26.(c)	Q27.(c)	Q28.(d)	Q29.(e)	Q30.(d)
Q31.(c)	Q32.(b)	Q33.(a)	Q34.(d)	Q35.(a)

SECTION II – QUANTITATIVE APTITUDE

Q36.(a)	Q37.(b)	Q38.(e)	Q39.(a)	Q40.(b)
Q41.(b)	Q42.(c)	Q43.(d)	Q44.(b)	Q45.(c)
Q46.(e)	Q47.(c)	Q48.(b)	Q49.(b)	Q50.(a)
Q51.(b)	Q52.(a)	Q53.(b)	Q54.(c)	Q55.(b)
Q56.(c)	Q57.(d)	Q58.(b)	Q59.(c)	Q60.(a)
Q61.(a)	Q62.(b)	Q63.(a)	Q64.(c)	Q65.(c)
Q66.(a)	Q67.(b)	Q68.(a)	Q69.(b)	Q70.(b)

SECTION III – ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Q71.(b)	Q72.(b)	Q73.(c)	Q74.(b)	Q75.(d)
Q76.(b)	Q77.(c)	Q78.(b)	Q79.(b)	Q80.(c)
Q81.(b)	Q82.(c)	Q83.(c)	Q84.(a)	Q85.(c)
Q86.(b)	Q87.(e)	Q88.(b)	Q89.(b)	Q90.(d)
Q91.(e)	Q92.(c)	Q93.(a)	Q94.(b)	Q95.(c)
Q96.(c)	Q97.(b)	Q98.(e)	Q99.(e)	Q100.(e)