

### Language Test

**Questions (51 – 55):** Read the following passage and choose the correct option from those given below to answer the questions. Detective stories tend to glorify crime murders, gangsters and crooks of all kinds who are described as tough, cunning and courageous individuals who know how to take care of themselves and how to get what they want. In James Mc Cain's the postman Always Rings Twice, for instance, the villain is much more impressive than his victim. He is casual, brave, smart and successful with women. It is true that he finally gets caught. But he is punished for a crime that he did not commit, so that his conviction is hardly a triumph of justice. Besides, looking back over the exciting life of the criminal, the reader might conclude that it was worth the risk

51. The passage mentions James McCain as
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| (1) An author of detective stories | (2) Brave, smart and successful with women |
| (3) Tough, cunning and courageous  | (4) Being more impressive than others      |

**Answer (1)**

52. Murderers, gangsters and crooks \_\_\_\_\_
- |                                      |  |
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| (1) Always do not manage to get away | (2) Are often glorified in detective stories |
| (3) Are wise then their victims      | (4) Know how to escape from law always       |

**Answer (2)**

53. A criminal in a detective story generally gets caught \_\_\_\_\_
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| (1) For the crimes he committed                      | (2) Because of his careless mistakes |
| (3) Because the police is smarter than the criminals | (4) for the crimes he did not commit |

**Answer (4)**

54. According to the passage, the life of a criminal is
- |   |                           |
|---|---------------------------|
| (1) Exciting                                  | (2) Hardly worth the risk |
| (3) Seldom presented in the right perspective | (4) A triumph of justice  |

**Answer (1)**

55. The passage tells that detective stories  
(1) Make interesting reading (2) Are hardly worth reading  
(3) Encourage readers to condemn crimes (4) Tend to create wrong notion about crime and punishment

**Answer (4)**

**Questions 56 – 60:** Read the following poem and answer the questions given after it. The Eagle He clasps the crag with crooked hands. Close to the sun in lonely lands. Ringed with the azure world he stands. The wrinkled sea beneath him crawls. He watches from this mountain walls. And like a thunderbolt he falls

56. What is the eagle doing in the poem?  
(1) Dying of old age (2) Hunting the prey  
(3) Learning joyfully to fly (4) Keeping watch over the young ones

**Answer (2)**

57. What does 'azure world' refer to?  
(1) Forest (2) The sky (3) The cliff (4) Nature

**Answer (2)**

58. 'The wrinkled sea beneath him crawls'. What does the poet mean by 'crawls'?  
(1) The movement of the waves (2) The roaring of the sea  
(3) The clasping of the prey (4) the fight of the bird

**Answer (1)**

59. The rhyme scheme followed in the poem is \_\_\_\_\_  
(1) ab ab ab (2) ba ba ba (3) aaa bbb (4) bbb aaa

**Answer (3)**

60. "He clasps the crag with crooked hands". The line is an example for  
(1) Rhyming words (2) Assonance (3) Simile (4) Alliteration

**Answer (4)**

61. In the question below, there are six sentences. The first and the last sentences are given. Find the order in which the sentences P, Q, R and S will appear in the paragraph to make it a meaningful one

S1. In 1739, Nadir Shah, the mighty king of Iran, invaded India

S2. \_\_\_\_\_

S3. \_\_\_\_\_

S4. \_\_\_\_\_

S5. \_\_\_\_\_

S6. The Peacock throne built by Shah Jahan was also taken away by him

P → After a stay of two months, he went back to Iran

Q → He defeated the Mughal army in the battle of Karnal

R → He took with him immense wealth as well as the Kohinoor diamond

S → This was followed by the cruel massacre and reckless plunder of Delhi

- (1) SPRQ (2) QPSR (3) RQPS (4) QSPR

**Answer (4)**

**Question 63 – 64: Choose the word which best fills the blank from the four options given**

62. The state in which the few govern the many is  
(1) Monarchy (2) Oligarchy (3) Plutocracy (4) Autocracy

**Answer (2)**

63. Air pollution can  
(1) Alleviate (2) Alienate (3) Abdicate (4) Aggravate

**Answer (4)**

64. identify the set of words which are only nouns  
(1) Pompous, ridiculous, photography (2) Penance, science, porous  
(3) Analysis, philosophy, thesis (4) Poisonous, vocalize, stupid

**Answer (3)**

65. Although Prakash never learned to read, his exceptional memory and inquisitive mind made him an \_\_\_\_ person  
(1) Apathetic (2) Indolent (3) Imbecile (4) Erudite

**Answer (4)**

66. The survival of mankind itself in danger due to the \_\_\_\_\_ of atomic and nuclear weapons  
(1) Regularization (2) Provocation (3) Proliferation (4) Exploration

**Answer (3)**

67. Mary was attacked by a \_\_\_\_\_  
(1) Swarm (2) Herd (3) Troop (4) Crowd

**Answer (1)**

68. "Meet me at the new building \_\_\_\_\_ at noon", the architect said  
(1) Sight (2) Cite (3) Site (4) Seat

**Answer (3)**

69. That which cannot be corrected is \_\_\_\_\_  
(1) Incomprehensible (2) Indelible (3) Illegible (4) Incurable

**Answer (4)**

**Question 70 – 74:** In the following passage there are some blanks that are numbered. Fill in the blanks by selecting the most appropriate word from the given options. The body were \_\_\_\_\_ (120) \_\_\_\_\_ (121) after months of cleaning and packing, they were moving into their new home. Boxes lay in a neat \_\_\_\_\_ (122) in the hall of their old home, full of their clothes, toys and books. When the removal van arrived, they helped to big and \_\_\_\_\_ (123) movers carry the light boxes to the van. Their new house was just \_\_\_\_\_ (124) blocks away from their school

70. (1) Annoyed (2) Worried (3) Excited (4) Horrified

**Answer (3)**

71. (1) Finally (2) Firstly (3) Hardly (4) Rarely

**Answer (1)**

72. (1) Bunch (2) Bundle (3) Pack (4) Pile

**Answer (4)**

73. (1) Scrawny (2) Weedy (3) Lanky (4) Burly

**Answer (4)**

74. (1) Few (2) A few (3) Many (4) Less

**Answer (2)**

Questions 75 – 76: Select the meaning of the given phrase/idioms

75. A man of straw  
(1) A man gifted with talents (2) A greedy man  
(3) A man of little worth (4) A common man

**Answer (3)**

76. To set one's face against  
(1) To judge by appearance (2) To look at one steadily  
(3) To get out of difficulty (4) to oppose with determination

**Answer (4)**

**Questions 77 – 78: Identify the part in the following sentences that is incorrect**

77. No sooner did the bell rang then there was/ a scramble for/ getting out of the class  
(1) (2) (3) (4)

**Answer (1)**

78. Though senior in age/ his father is/ junior then/ may father in service  
(1) (2) (3) (4)

**Answer (3)**

**Questions 79 – 81: Select the word which means the opposite of the given word/ underlined word**

79. Humility  
(1) Integrity (2) Disgrace (3) Modesty (4) Pride

**Answer (4)**

80. Relinquish  
(1) Abandon (2) Accept (3) Resign (4) Renounce

**Answer ( )**

81. Harish eats cakes with great relish but he has a \_\_\_\_\_ for wine  
(1) Craze (2) Appetite (3) Distaste (4) Hunger

**Answer (3)**

82. Rema's mother scolded her for being indolent. The word 'indolent' means  
(1) Innocent (2) Lazy (3) Energetic (4) Angry

**Answer (2)**

83. Our school's efficacious dance fest raised funds for charity. The word 'efficacious' means  
(1) Unavailing (2) Bootless (3) Abortive (4) Effectual

**Answer (4)**

**Questions 84 – 85: Identify the word correctly spelt from the options given**

84. (1) Randezvus (2) Randezvous (3) Rendezvous (4) Rendezvus

**Answer (3)**

85. (1) Treacherous (2) Tracherus (3) Treacherous (4) Tracherous

**Answer (1)**

**Questions 86 – 88: Choose the most appropriate phrasal verbs to complete the sentences**

86. I am filled with wonder when I consider the immeasurable \_\_\_\_\_ the lighter and the darker side of life  
(1) Contrasts between (2) Contrasts off (3) Contrasts with (4) Contrasts among

**Answer (1)**

87. How did the accident \_\_\_\_\_?  
(1) Come by (2) Come about (3) Come across (4) Come over

**Answer (2)**

88. The host was easily \_\_\_\_\_ by sweet words  
(1) Taken after (2) Taken off (3) Taken up (4) Taken in

**Answer (4)**

**Questions 89 – 100: Choose the most appropriate answer from the options given**

89. I often \_\_\_\_\_ scolded at school

- (1) Would get                      (2) Get                                      (3) Will get                              (4) Got

**Answer (2)**

90. There are various activities for us to \_\_\_\_\_ in our leisure time

- (1) Pursue                      (2) Inspire                                      (3) Utilise                                      (4) Contribute

**Answer (1)**

91. “ Mind your own business” he said

- (1) Meekly                      (2) Sharply                                      (3) Softly                                      (4) Hardly

**Answer (2)**

92. We cannot \_\_\_\_\_ the educational policy as a panacea to all academic illness

- (1) Look after                      (2) Look down                                      (3) Look into                                      (4) Look upon

**Answer (4)**

93. If I \_\_\_\_\_ early, I will meet her

- (1) Had gone                      (2) Went                                      (3) Go                                      (4) were gone

**Answer (3)**

94. You never call me \_\_\_\_\_

- (1) Do you                      (2) Did you                                      (3) Don't you                                      (4) had you

**Answer (1)**

95. The play Macbeth is a tragedy of a man who was \_\_\_\_\_ with great qualities

- (1) Empowered                      (2) Obsessed                                      (3) Privileged                                      (4) Endowed

**Answer (4)**

96. It was the most dreadful accident I \_\_\_\_\_ ever \_\_\_\_\_

- (1) Have, seen                      (2) has, seen                                      (3) Will, seen                                      (4) had, seen

**Answer (4)**

97. I have been studying hard to \_\_\_\_\_ my examinations

- (1) Get up                      (2) Get around                                      (3) Get along                                      (4) Get through

**Answer (4)**

98. Let's play the game of chess \_\_\_\_\_?

- (1) Will we                      (2) Won't we                                      (3) Shall we                                      (4) Shouldn't we

**Answer (3)**

99. The council \_\_\_\_\_ threatened to launch an indefinite strike form next mother to \_\_\_\_\_ their demands

- (1) Has, press                      (2) had, press                                      (3) Did, get                                      (4) Had, get

**Answer (1)**

100. A short piece of writing on a tomb is know as

- (1) Epitome                      (2) Epistle                                      (3) Epilogue                                      (4) Epitaph

**Answer (4)**