

# MOTIVATION

SSC GRADUATE LEVEL (Pre.)

## Test - 3

Series - I

Test Form No. - SF.41

Max. Marks :- 50

Time Allowed :- 30 Min



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**Read the following instructions carefully before you  
begin to answer the questions.**

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### Instructions to Candidates

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1. This Paper Contains Fifty Questions.
2. All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks.
3. There will be negative marking of 0.25 marks for any incorrect answer.
4. Answer must be shown by completely blackening the corresponding oval on the OMR Sheet by **HB Pencil** only.
5. Answer the questions as quickly and as carefully as you can. Some question may be difficult and others easy. Do not spend too much time on any question.
6. Answers which are not shown by **HB Pencil** will not be awarded any mark.
7. No rough work is to be done on the OMR Sheet.

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**Directions :** - In question no. 1 to 5, some of the sentence have errors and some are correct. Find out which part of a sentence has an error and blacken the rectangle [■] corresponding to the appropriate letter (A, B, C). If a sentence is free from errors, blacken the rectangle corresponding to (D) in the Answer Sheet.

1. When an university formulates (a) / new regulations, (b) / it must circulate its decision to the faculty (c) / No error (d)
2. The office with all its modern furniture (a) / and equipments were sold (b) / for a meagre amount (c) / No error (d)
3. Raghav was unhappy to hear (a) / the news of his failure (b) / in the examination (c) / No error (d)
4. Either he (a) / or his wife (b) / are coming to attend the dinner (c) / No error (d)
5. The launch of the first artificial satellite by the Russians (a) / took the world almost entirely unawares (b) / and provocation flood of speculation about its significance. (c) / No error (d)

**Direction :-** In question no. 6 to 10, sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by blackening the appropriate rectangle [■] in the Answer Sheet.

6. You must apologise \_\_\_\_\_ him \_\_\_\_\_ the wrong you have done.  
(a) from; against (b) to; for  
(c) from; on (d) to; against
7. After I \_\_\_\_\_ dinner, I \_\_\_\_\_ TV for a while.  
(a) had; had watching  
(b) had finished; will watch  
(c) had finished; watched  
(d) finished; watching
8. Because it does not aim to \_\_\_\_\_ to the masses and strives for an \_\_\_\_\_ view, art is fated to be always under attack.  
(a) appeal; universal (b) afford; independent  
(c) defer; individual (d) cater; alternate
9. Enemies are almost always \_\_\_\_\_ as they share the same \_\_\_\_\_ of hatred, suspicion and betrayal.

- (a) different; feelings (b) disparate; qualities  
(c) common; features (d) similar; intensity

10. I \_\_\_\_\_ him because of his \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) love; impertinence (b) hate; redeness  
(c) admire; hypocrisy (d) detest; generosity

**Directions :-** In question no. 11 to 15, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word and mark it in the Answer Sheet.

11. Prerogative  
(a) privilege (b) protective  
(c) formative (d) prevention
12. Aggravate  
(a) angry (b) intensify  
(c) increase (d) big
13. Sycophants  
(a) servants (b) sadists  
(c) advisors (d) flatters
14. Flout  
(a) condemn (b) disregard  
(c) ignore (d) refuse
15. Copious  
(a) capable (b) copiable  
(c) abundant (d) enjoyable

**Directions :-** In question no. 16 to 20, choose the word opposite in meaning to the given word and mark it in the Answer Sheet.

16. Expeditious  
(a) leisurely (b) speedy  
(c) obscure (d) barren
17. Postponed  
(a) accredited (b) abdicated  
(c) adjourned (d) advanced
18. Faded  
(a) happy (b) bright  
(c) consistent (d) spirited
19. Heterogeneous  
(a) homogeneous (b) industrious  
(c) hilarious (d) illustrious
20. Harbinger  
(a) miser (b) follower  
(c) counselor (d) ascetic

**Directions : In questions no. 21 to 25, four alternatives are given for the idiom/phrase underlined. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase and mark it in the Answer Sheet.**

21. Gift of the gab  
(a) talent for speaking (b) to distribute gifts  
(c) to win a prize (d) to be lucky
22. To account for  
(a) give the accounts for  
(b) give a satisfactory explanation for  
(c) speak the truth about  
(d) maintain accounts properly
23. A wolf in sheep's clothing  
(a) a wicked man who pretends to be good  
(b) a good for nothing person  
(c) a woman who looks younger than her age  
(d) a man of high birth but in poor condition
24. She left him in the lurch  
(a) put him at ease (b) compromised him  
(c) annoyed him  
(d) deserted him in difficult times
25. Kicked the bucket.  
(a) fought★ (b) died  
(c) played★ (d) collapsed

**Directions : In questions no. 26 to 30, a part of the sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part at (a), (b) and (c) which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is needed, your answer is (d).**

26. My relation was living in that house during 1965-1975.  
(a) lived in that house from 1965 to 1975  
(b) have been living in 1965 to 1975  
(c) had been living from 1965 to 1975  
(d) No improvement
27. Contact for Clatterers and Decorators.  
(a) Curtleries and Decorators  
(b) Cluttering and Decorating  
(c) Caterers and Decorators  
(d) No improvement
28. After my long walk, I was pleased to have an iced drink. I found it lively.

- (a) livid (b) refreshing
- (c) tiring (d) No improvement
29. The revue at the theatre got excellent reviews from most newspapers.  
(a) revenue (b) review  
(c) venue (d) No improvement
30. I want to tidy my room but I had no time.  
(a) did not have time (b) am having no time  
(c) have no time (d) No improvement

**Directions :- In question no. 31 to 35, out of the four alternatives choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.**

31. One who hates women  
(a) Altruist (b) Celibate  
(c) Misogynist (d) Polyandrist
32. A feelings of fondness, mixed with some sadness, for something in the past  
(a) Oblivion (b) Noxiousness  
(c) Nostalgia (d) Nausea
33. One who looks at the bright side of things in life  
(a) Optimist (b) Pessimist  
(c) Misanthrope (d) Altruist
34. Dying without making a will  
(a) Premature (b) Intestate  
(c) Posthumous (d) Bequeath
35. Having infinite power  
(a) Impotent (b) Omnipresent  
(c) Omnipotent (d) Omniscient

**Directions : In questions no. 36 to 40, there are four different words out of which one is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word and indicate it by blackening the appropriate rectangle [■] in the Answer Sheet.**

36. (a) appreciation (b) appriciasion  
(c) appreciasion (d) apreciation
37. (a) accomudation (b) accommodation  
(c) accomodation (d) acommodation
38. (a) aparent (b) transparent  
(c) transloosent (d) tranciant
39. (a) Ornemental (b) Ornammantal  
(c) Ornamental (d) Ornammantal
40. (a) colleague (b) colegue  
(c) coleague (d) collegue

**Directions : In questions 41 to 50, you have two brief passage with 5 questions following each passage. Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives and mark it in the Answer Sheet.**

### Passage I Question No. 41-45

Once upon an unfortunate time, there was a hairy thing called 'man'. Along with him was a hairier thing called 'animal'. Man had a larger brain which made him think he was superior to animals. Some men thought they were superior to others. They became leader men. Leader men said 'We have no need to work; we will kill animals to eat.' So they did. Man increased and animals decreased. Eventually leader men said, 'There are not enough animals left to eat. We must grow our own food'. So man grew food. Everywhere man killed all wild life. Soon there was none and all the birds were poisoned. Leader men said, 'At last we are free of pests.'

Man's numbers increased. The world became crowded with men. They all had to sleep standing up. One day a leader man saw some new creature's eating his crops. The creature's are a menace !' said the leader man.

41. The hero of the story is -  
(a) Man (b) Pests  
(c) Leader man (d) Wild life
42. 'We have no need to work' said the leader man because  
(a) they were rich (b) they were lazy  
(c) they would kill animals and eat (d) they had no strength
43. Men had to sleep standing up as -  
(a) there was population explosion  
(b) they had no time to lie down  
(c) they felt lazy to stretch themselves  
(d) they felt proud to sleep standing up
44. Pick out a suitable title for the passage.  
(a) Man, the supreme lord  
(b) The Tyrant Man  
(c) Man, the dictator  
(d) Man, the roof of creation
45. Man thought he was superior to other creatures because-  
(a) he was able to grow food

- (b) he had a larger brain  
(c) he did not have to work  
(d) he could kill other animals

### Passage II Question No. 46-50

Three great advantages of early rising is the good start it gives for one's daily work. The early riser is able to complete a lot of work before others even get out of their bed. As the mind is fresh in the morning, free from distractions, one is able to do quality work. One is able, if so inclined, to have early morning exercise which keeps one energetic throughout the day. Thus one completes one's work during the day without hurrying much and is left with time in the evening for play or entertainment or relaxation by a leisurely walk. This leads to a good night's rest after which one is able to rise fresh the next morning to face another day.

46. How does early rising affect one's day ?  
(a) Makes one feel happy  
(b) Makes one finish one's work  
(c) Makes one energetic  
(d) Makes one enthusiastic
47. An early riser gets his work done well because  
(a) he feels fresh  
(b) he is able to go for a morning walk  
(c) he is able to do a lot of work  
(d) his mind is fresh, free from distractions
48. An early riser is able to complete his work without hurrying because  
(a) he has time to plan in the morning  
(b) he does not get distracted  
(c) he is energetic after morning exercises  
(d) he has time to complete his work
49. An early riser gets ample time in the evening to -  
(a) chat with friends (b) be with the family  
(c) take a short nap (d) take a leisurely walk
50. Going to bed early is good for health because  
(a) one feels healthy  
(b) one feels refreshed in the morning  
(c) one feels energetic  
(d) one does feel sleepy in the morning