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# NATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION (NTSE-2016) STAGE -1 <br> JHARKHAND LCT 

## SOLUTIONS

Q 1-5 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.
The original inhabitants of North America are the Red Indians. The European settlers occupied the Red Man's land and ruthlessly chased them away. Sometimes they were compensated for the loss of their land, sometimes they were not. The Red Indians considered earth as precious.

1. Who are the first dwellers of North America ?
(1) The Europeans
(2) The Red Indians
(3) The Americans
(4) The Africans

Ans. (2)
Sol. Inferred from the first line of the passage "The original inhabitants of North America are the Red Indians"
2. Which word or words in the passage mean 'made amends for'?
(1) occupied
(2) ruthlessly
(3) chased them away
(4) compensated for

Ans. (4)
Sol. 'compensated for' means make amends for
3. The earth was precious to
(1) Red Indians
(2) Europeans
(3) settlers
(4) chasers

Ans. (1)
Sol. Inferred from the last line of the passage "The Red Indians considered earth as precious"
4. How did the European settlers treat the Red Indians?
(1) Kindly
(2) graciously
(3) cruelly
(4) friendly

Ans. (3)
Sol. Inferred from the line "The European settlers occupied Red man's land and ruthlessly chased them away'
5. Who compensated for the loss of land?
(1) Red Indians
(2) Europeans
(3) Indians
(4) European Settlers

Ans. (4)
Sol. The European settlers who settled in North America compensated for the loss of land.
Q 6-10 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.
"Once upon a time there was an old woman. Blind but wise". Or was it an old man? A guru, perhaps. Oragriot soothing restless children. I have heard this story, or one exactly like it, in the lore of several cultures.
"Once upon a time there was an old woman. Blind, wise."
In the version I know, the woman is the daughter of slaves, black, American, and lives alone in a small house outside the town. Her reputation for wisdom is without peer and without question. Among her people, she is both law and its transgression. The honour she is paid and the awe in which she is held reach beyond her neighbourhood to places far away, to the city where intelligence of rural prophets is the source of much amusement.
6. How many versions of the story 'once upon a time' is there
(1) one
(2) two
(3) five
(4) many

Ans. (2)
Sol. Inferred from the line 'I have heard this story or one exactly like it..."
7. Who is the father of the old woman?
(1) Oragriot
(2) A rural prophet
(3) a black slave
(4) a wise man

Ans. (3)
Sol. Inferred from the line "woman is the daughter of slaves, Black, American"
8. How is her reputation for wisdom?
(1) questionable
(2) common
(3) average
(4) matchless

Ans. (4)
Sol. Inferred from the line "Her reputation for wisdom is without peer and without question"
9. For the urban people her wisdom is a source of
(1) honour
(2) amusement
(3) fear
(4) wonder

Ans. (2)
Sol. Inferred from the line " $\qquad$ is the source of much amusement"
10. Where does the old woman live?
(1) A small house away from the town
(2) A small house in the town
(3) A small luxurious house
(4) A lonely house in the town

Ans. (1)
Sol. Inferred from the line " $\qquad$ lives alone in a small house"
Q.11-12 The following five sentences come from a paragraph. The first and the last sentences are given. Choose the order in which the three sentences (PQR) should appear to complete the paragraph.
11. $\mathrm{S}_{1}$ The remarkable phenomenon can be explained only in terms of the unity and continuity of Indian culturle
$\qquad$
$\mathrm{S}_{3}$ $\qquad$ $S_{4}$ $\qquad$
$\mathrm{S}_{5}$ On the contrary, a steady growth extension of culture which has gradually permeated through every class and section of society.
$\boldsymbol{P}$ What specially distinguishes the culture of India is its unbroken continuity
$\boldsymbol{Q}$ Here, there have been no violent or sudden breaks
$\boldsymbol{R}$ Unity is in one sense, the common characteristic of all culture.
Choose from the options given below
(1) PQR
(2) RPQ
(3) QPR
(4) RQP

Ans. (2)
Sol. The first sentence has the term unity in it and the point ' R ' says more about unity. Point P tells more about the culture in India.
12. $S_{1}$ There was a certain young man who learned archery from an expert archer.

$\mathrm{S}_{3}$ $\qquad$
$\mathrm{S}_{4}$ $\qquad$
$\mathrm{S}_{5}$ What an incredible feat!
$\boldsymbol{P}$ He could shoot an arrow into a tree and then cleave that arrow into two with the next shot
$\boldsymbol{Q}$ He began to boast that he was a greater archer than his guru
$\boldsymbol{R}$ The guru taught him so well that the student archer soon became proficient in his chosen field
Choose from the option given below
(1) RQP
(2) PQR
(3) QRP
(4) QPR

Ans. (1)
Sol. The only most logical sequence of sentences possible
Q. 13-22. Choose the word which best fills the blank in the sentences from the four options given.
13. You should consult a ..... for your cold and cough
(1) chemist
(2) druggist
(3) physician
(4) surgeon

Ans. (3)
Sol. The only professional who is concerned with such a situation.
14. Smoking is ..... here
(1) prohibited
(b) banned
(3) stopped
(4) delayed

Ans. (1)
Sol. The most apt vocabulary word for this sentence.
15. There is no $\qquad$ treatment for the disease besides surgery
(1) alternate
(2) alternative
(3) optional
(4) alter

Ans. (2)
Sol. 'alternative' refers to 'serving or used in place of another'
16. He...... his arrival date to his parents
(1) appraised
(2) praised
(3) apprised
(4) prised

Ans. (3)
Sol. 'apprised' means 'inform somebody of something'
17. Meena is an ..... teacher
(1) ingenious
(2) ingenous
(3) initial
(4) intense

Ans. (1)
Sol. 'ingenious' means showing inventiveness and skill.
18. A. . dog never bites
(1) crying
(2) howling
(3) roaring
(4) barking

Ans. (4)
Sol. A popular saying.
19. He challenged his enemy for a
(1) dual
(2) duel
(3) duality
(4) duelity

Ans. (2)
Sol. 'duel' means 'a pre-arranged fight'
20. The bridegrooms's sister was ..... her jewellery
(1) flouting
(2) floating
(3) flaunting
(4) fleeting

Ans. (3)
Sol. 'flaunting' means 'display proudly'
21. I wanted to ..... the sweet dish
(1) test
(2) taste
(3) tested
(4) like

Ans. (2)
Sol. 'taste' means a small amount eaten or drunk
22. She appeared before us in a ..... garment
(1) lose
(2) loose
(3) close
(4) like

Ans. (2)
Sol. 'loose' means not tight
Q 23-27 Select the meaning of the given phrases/idioms
23. Chase a rainbow
(1) pursue an illusion
(2) move with determination
(3) pursue a noble task
(4) move in a definite direction

Ans. (1)
Sol. Meaning of the given idiom
24. Dogs eat dogs
(1) murder
(2) heinous killing
(3) a ruthless competition (4) an easy competition

Ans. (3)
Sol. Meaning of the given idiom
25. To beat the air
(1) to make vain efforts
(2) to do brave acts
(3) to be on the right path
(d) to succeed

Ans. (1)
Sol. Meaning of the given idiom
26. Wet behind the ears
(1) experienced
(2) eager
(3) inexperienced
(4) mature

Ans. (3)
Sol. Meaning of the given idiom
27. Give someone away
(1) help
(2) betray
(3) do charity
(4) revolt

Ans. (2)
Sol. Meaning of the given idiom
Q 28-32 In the following passage there are some blanks with numbers. Fill in the blanks by selecting the most appropriate word for each blank from given options of each number.
The devils -28-- a meeting. The one point agenda of the discussion --29-- how to destroy the world 30 but easily. One of the devils named 'Anger' $\underline{31 .}$ He said, "Let me go and 32 the world."
28. (1) were holding
(2) were receiving
(3) are holding
(4) is holding

Ans. (1)
Sol. Past continuous form of verb is required to make the sense complete .
29. (1) are
(2) was
(3) is
(4) were

Ans. (2)
Sol. Simple past tense form of the verb is required to make the sense complete
30. (1) slow
(2) fastly
(3) fast
(4) hard

Ans. (3)
Sol. The only correct adverb to be used in this context is 'fast '
31. (1) Stand up
(2) went up
(3) went
(4) stood up

Ans. (4)
Sol. The correct past form of verb that is required here is 'Stood up '
32. (1) destroy
(2) save
(3) do destruction
(4) do saving

Ans. (1)
Sol. The only word that complements the intended sense of the sentence.
Q. 33-36 Select the word which means the opposite of the given word
33. Banish
(1) deport
(2) transport
(3) expel
(4) accept

Ans. (4)
Sol. 'Banish ' means to expel ; thus the required antonym is ' accept ' .
34. Collision
(1) opposition
(2) accident
(3) agreement
(4) impact

Ans. (3)
Sol. 'Collision ' means a conflict of opposed ideas ; thus the required antonym is 'agreement'
35. Drown
(1) Immerse
(2) float
(3) sink
(4) overcome

Ans. (2)
Sol. 'Drown' means be covered with or submerged in a liquid .
36. Urge
(1) curb
(2) drive
(3) impulse
(4) good

Ans. (1)
Sol. 'Urge ' means to push for something or encourage ; thus the required antonym is ' curb'
Q. 37-40 Select the word which means nearly the same as the given word.
37. Virile
(1) Impotent
(2) vigorous
(3) weak
(4) effeminate

Ans. (2)
Sol. 'Virile ' means characterized by energy and vigour
38. Testimony
(1) concealment
(2) contradiction
(3) attestation
(4) denial

Ans. (3)
Sol. Testimony ' means an assertion offering firsthand authentication of facts
39. Sabotage
(1) support
(2) damage
(3) assist
(4) save

Ans. (2)
Sol. 'Sabotage ' means a deliberate act of destruction or damage
40. Apology
(1) censure
(2) wrong
(3) accusation
(4) atonement

Ans. (4)
Sol. 'Apology' means an expression of regret
Q. 41-50 In each of the following sentences you will find a blank. Fill in the blank from the given options.
41. The investigators ...... the case and came up with interesting facts
(1) dug into
(2) dug up
(3) dig out
(4) dig into

Ans. (1)
Sol. The phrase 'dig into" means to get inside the matter deeply
42. We should ... dowry system
(1) do with
(2) do away
(3) did with
(4) do away with

Ans. (4)
Sol. The phrase "do away with" means to eradicate.
43. Her entreaties for help. $\qquad$
(1) fell off deaf
(2) fell deaf ears
(3) fell on deaf ears
(4) fell at deaf ears

Ans. (3)
Sol. The phrase 'fell on deaf ears'" means which does not influence a person much
44. The situation is rather complicated and it will take me sometime to $\qquad$ it
(1) get the hang of
(2) get hang of
(3) have the hung of
(4) have hanged

Ans. (1)
Sol. The phrase "get the hang of" means to understand something properly.
45. A sensible man ...... of the latest developments in different fields.
(1) keeps breast
(2) keeps abreast
(3) gets breast
(4) gets abreast

Ans. (2)
Sol. The phrase "keeps abreast" means to go parallel.
46. A wise person $\qquad$ some of his money for a rainy day
(1) lays side
(2) keeps aside
(3) lays aside
(4) lays right

Ans. (2)
Sol. Because the phrase "keeps aside" means to keep a store of something .
47. The passage is so complicated that I am able to. $\qquad$ .it.
(1) make little of
(2) make a little of
(3) make few of
(4) make of few of

Ans. (1)
Sol. The phrase ' make little of ' means to be able to understand very less of the given thing .
48. The doctor asked the patient to $\qquad$ so that he could examine him
(1) strip of
(2) strip off
(3) stripe of
(4) stripe off

Ans. (2)
Sol. The only Phrasal verb that fits in the above context .
49. The Patna bound Sampurna Kranti Express $\qquad$ with an accident
(1) crashed
(2) hit
(3) met
(4) fell

## Ans. (3)

Sol. The only vocabulary word from the given options that is used with the term ' accident '
50. Having won the competition, he was very. $\qquad$
(1) pensive
(2) sad
(3) thoughtful
(4) happy

Ans. (4)
Sol. The adjective required to make the sentence meaningful is 'happy' .

