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## SSC TIER II (ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND COMPREHENSION) MOCK TEST - 48 (ANSWER KEY)

| 1. (C) | 26. (A) | 51. (C) | 76. (B) | 101. (C) | 126. (C) | 151. (D) | 176. (A) |
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| 2. (C) | 27. (A) | 52. (A) | 77. (C) | 102. (B) | 127. (B) | 152. (A) | 177. (A) |
| 3. (A) | 28. (B) | 53. (B) | 78. (A) | 103. (D) | 128. (A) | 153. (C) | 178. (D) |
| 4. (C) | 29. (C) | 54. (A) | 79. (C) | 104. (B) | 129. (B) | 154. (B) | 179. (B) |
| 5. (B) | 30. (B) | 55. (B) | 80. (A) | 105. (B) | 130. (A) | 155. (D) | 180. (B) |
| 6. (D) | 31. (C) | 56. (D) | 81. (A) | 106. (A) | 131. (C) | 156. (C) | 181. (C) |
| 7. (B) | 32. (B) | 57. (D) | 82. (A) | 107. (D) | 132. (A) | 157. (D) | 182. (B) |
| 8. (A) | 33. (B) | 58. (A) | 83. (C) | 108. (B) | 133. (C) | 158. (A) | 183. (A) |
| 9. (A) | 34. (B) | 59. (B) | 84. (B) | 109. (C) | 134. (C) | 159. (A) | 184. (D) |
| 10. (A) | 35. (C) | 60. (A) | 85. (A) | 110. (D) | 135. (A) | 160. (B) | 185. (A) |
| 11. (C) | 36. (B) | 61. (A) | 86. (C) | 111. (A) | 136. (D) | 161. (C) | 186. (D) |
| 12. (A) | 37. (D) | 62. (C) | 87. (C) | 112. (C) | 137. (D) | 162. (D) | 187. (B) |
| 13. (B) | 38. (D) | 63. (D) | 88. (B) | 113. (D) | 138. (C) | 163. (B) | 188. (D) |
| 14. (A) | 39. (A) | 64. (B) | 89. (A) | 114. (A) | 139. (D) | 164. (B) | 189. (C) |
| 15. (C) | 40. (C) | 65. (C) | 90. (B) | 115. (C) | 140. (C) | 165. (B) | 190. (A) |
| 16. (D) | 41. (A) | 66. (A) | 91. (A) | 116. (A) | 141. (D) | 166. (A) | 191. (D) |
| 18. (C) | 42. (A) | 67. (A) | 92. (B) | 117. (C) | 142. (D) | 167. (D) | 192. (C) |
| 18. (C) | 43. (C) | 68. (A) | 93. (A) | 118. (A) | 143. (A) | 168. (C) | 193. (D) |
| 19. (B) | 44. (B) | 69. (A) | 94. (A) | 119. (D) | 144. (C) | 169. (D) | 194. (B) |
| 20. (A) | 45. (A) | 70. (A) | 95. (A) | 120. (C) | 145. (C) | 170. (D) | 195. (D) |
| 21. (B) | 46. (D) | 71. (B) | 96. (D) | 121. (C) | 146. (D) | 171. (D) | 196. (B) |
| 22. (A) | 47. (B) | 72. (B) | 97. (C) | 122. (A) | 147. (C) | 172. (C) | 197. (D) |
| 23. (A) | 48. (A) | 73. (A) | 98. (C) | 123. (B) | 148. (A) | 173. (D) | 198. (A) |
| 24. (D) | 49. (D) | 74. (A) | 99. (A) | 124. (B) | 149. (A) | 174. (C) | 199. (B) |
| 25. (D) | 50. (D) | 75. (C) | 100. (C) | 125. (C) | 150. (B) | 175. (C) | 200. (D) |

## EXPLANATION

(C) Replace 'owed to' with 'owing to'.
2. (C) Replace 'like' with 'as'. 'As' is an adverb that qualifies an action Eg: Nobody loved her as I do. The same idea can be expressed using 'like' but differently.
Eg: Nobody loves her like me. [here 'like' is followed by the object pronoun 'me'. 'Like' is an adjective that qualifies a noun or a pronoun]
3. (A) Phrasal verb

- For all - means - in spite of
- All for - means - strongly in favour of According to the meaning of the sentence 'all for' should be used.

4. (C) 'All that we longed was to laugh and cry' is the correct form.
5. (B) Here 'between differences' is superfluous. 'distinguish' means 'to recognise the difference between things'.
6. (D) No error
7. (B) Replace 'to do' with 'do'

After causative verb 'make' $\mathrm{V}_{1}$ is used. $\underbrace{\text { Make }}_{\text {Made }}+\underbrace{\text { object }}_{\text {the boys }}+\underbrace{\text { Bare infinitive }}_{\text {do }}$
8. (A) Replace 'shall' with 'should'. If reporting verb is in Past Tense, the Reported Speech should also be in Past Tense.
9. (A) Replace 'would have' with 'had'.
10. (A) Hardly, scarcely, rarely etc are negative adverbs. They have negative meaning so we use them without another negative word. The correct sentence will be 'Mother hardly knows...'. So remove 'not' from part ' A '.
11. (C) Change 'with' into 'to'.
'Married' is followed by preposition 'to' in Passive Voice.
12. (A) Replace 'the' with 'a'.
13. (B) The correct pair is the reason ------- that. 'Reason' with 'because' becomes superfluous.
Hence replace 'because' with 'that'.
14. (A) Change 'it' into 'this'. When we issue a 'certificate', we use the word 'certify'. The correct formation is 'This is to certify that'.
15. (C) Replace 'since' with 'for'. 'For' is used for duration of time.
16. (D) No error.
18. (C) Replace 'practiced' with 'practised'. A verb is used in $V_{3}$ form as an adjective and not a noun.
18. (C) 'Advice' being an uncountable noun will take 'much' before it. So replace 'many good advices' with 'much good advice' or 'many good pieces of advice'.
19. (B) Replace 'for their' with 'his' because here we are talking about 'a man' which is singular.
20. (A) Replace 'comes to worst' with 'come to the worst'.
'If the worst comes to the worst' means 'in the worst possible circumstances'.
21. (B) The sentence is in past and talks about ability to speak English fluently so option (B) is appropriate.
22. (A) Sentence is of past and not of suggestion so (A) is appropriate.
23. (A) The act of preparation of dinner preceded the arrival of guests. Option (A) is the best option.
24. (D) Father's death was in past and the action that followed will be in present perfect.
97. (C) 'Gerunds are often used in combination after the verb 'go'.
go + bowling go + driving
go + climbing go + shopping
go + cycling 'go + hitchhiking'.
'Hitch-hiking' means 'to travel by securing free rides'.
98. (C) 'Reminiscent' means 'tending to remind one of something' (य द दिला ने वा ला )
'Rendition' means 'A performance or interpretation especially of a dramatic role or piece of music'. (प्र स तु तिकरण )
'Reincarnation' means 'the rebirth of soul in another body'. (अवता र)
99. (A) To 'put off until later' means 'to postpone' (ट T लना sbo one word is better than such a big phrase.
100. (C) The sentence should read as ... 'Why should you be despaired of the success of you undertaking?'
We do not use 'possessive case' frequently in a sentence.
101. (C) Replace 'could be able to' with 'would be able'.
'Could' and 'able to' can't come together in a sentence as both express ability and
hence make the sentence superfluous.
102. (B) 'Few and far between' means 'scarcely, infrequently'.
103. (D) 'Return and back' do not come together in a sentence. Replace 'to return back' with 'to return'.
104. (B) Here 'team' is used as collective noun, hence for pronoun 'it' should be used.
Thus replace 'shouldn't they' with 'shouldn't it'.
105. (B) Here 'prevent them being spoiled by damp' should be used because the sentence is in Passive Voice.
106. (A) 'Man is mortal' is a universal truth. Here 'man' means 'human beings'.
107. (D) Option (C) is also correct but no improvement is needed here.
108. (B) Replace 'lately to school' with 'late to school'.
Lately - recently
Late - after the usual time.
109. (C) 'Acquisition' is followed by Preposition 'of'.
110. (D) No improvement
111. (A) Here 'A buffalo cannot defend another buffalo against a lion' should be used. Without the word 'another', we cannot figure out the number of buffaloes present.
112. (C) The sentence should read as ... The offer is too good to be true'. This means that the offer is so good that it can't be true.
113. (D) No Improvement
'Avail yourself of something' means 'to make use of something'.
'Avail' is followed by a reflexive pronoun and takes preposition 'of'.
114. (A) Replace 'a clean pair at heels' with 'a clean pair of heels'.
115. (C) Replace 'what does it matter most' with 'what matters most'.
116. (A) 'Whisk' (v) means 'to move or take to another place very quickly'.
117. (C) Here 'one of my neighbours, who is going abroad will sell his house' should be used.
'One of' is followed by plural and singular verb.
118. (A) Here from the given structure it seems that 'The sun' is the main subject of the sentence which gives a wrong meaning to the sentence. 'He' is the subject of both the sentences in option (A) which will be the best choice.
Hence replace 'the sun went down watching before him' with 'he watched the sun go down'.

## MEANINGS IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER

Word
Aberration
Anecdote
Arbiter
Aristocracy
Auspicious
Autocracy
Bohemian
Bureaucracy
Cannibalism
Cenotaph
Citadel
Connoisseur
Cosmopolitan
Deviation
Dilettante

Diminish
Dormant
Dwindle
Genocide
Glower
Gnash
Gnaw
Grind
Intensification
Irrevocable

Jurist
Lenient
Maestro
Mansion
Narcissism
Narcotic
Nepotism
Oligarchy
Pantheism
Patricide
Philanthropist
Quack
Serenity
Solecism
Solipsism
Stern
Tranquillity

## Meaning in English

deviation from the normal
a short interesting account of a real incident
one who has the power to decide a dispute or settle an argument ruled by elite class
suggesting success or favourable situation in future
ruled by one person
vagabond／wanderer
rule of bureaucrats
practice of eating the flesh of one＇s own kind empty tomb
a fortress that protects a city
an expert in fine art
a citizen of the whole world，one who feels at home every where a action，behaviour or path that is different from what is usual dabbler／A person whose interest in an art is not very deep or serious
to become less in size
inactive
to gradually become smaller
killing of mass
to look in an angry way
to grind together（as the teeth）
to chew
to break into very small pieces
to become stronger or more extreme
incapable of being revoked
legal expert，Judge
not strict
an artist of consummate skill
a large and impressive house self Love／admiration of oneself a drug that affects the brain favouritism to one＇s own relatives rule of a small group worship that admits or tolerates all gods killing of father one who works for the welfare of mankind
medically unqualified calmness
a socially awkward act philosophy that your own existence is only thing that is real very serious especially in an unfriendly way quiet and peaceful

## Meaning in Hindi

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