







owes no responsibility to the majority for his conclusions. If he is a genuine lover of truth, if he is inspired by a passion for seeing things as they are and an abhorrence of holding ideas which do not conform to facts, he will be wholly independent of the assent of those around him. When he proceeds to apply his beliefs in the practical conduct of life, the position is different. There are then good reasons why his attitude should be less inflexible. The society in which he is placed is an ancient and composite growth. The people from whom he dissents have not come by their opinions, customs and by a process of a mere haphazard way.

These opinions and customs all had their origin in a certain real supposed fitness. They have certain depth of root in the lives of a proportion of the existing generation. Their congruity with one another may have come to an end. That is only one side of the truth. The most zealous propagandism cannot penetrate to them. In common language, we speak of a generation as something possessed of a kind of exact unity, with all its parts and members homogenous. Yet, plainly, it is not this. It is a whole but a whole in a state of constant flux; its factors and elements are eternally shifting. It is not one but many generations. Each of the seven ages of man is neighbour to all the rest.

The column of the veterans is already sinking into the last abyss, while the column of the newest recruits is forming to each its tradition, its tendency and its possibilities. Only a proportion of each can have nerve enough to grasp the banner of a new truth and endurance to bear it along rugged and

untrodden ways. Thus, we must remember the stuff of which life is made.

1. Select the most appropriate central theme of the passage from the options given below.

- A. The requirement of flexibility in an individual's thinking
- B. The importance of following age-old traditions and customs
- C. Individual beliefs vis-à-vis established opinions and customs
- D. Differences in the thinking of individuals of different ages

2. Which word in the passage means 'of the same kind'?

- A. Unity
- B. Flux
- C. Whole
- D. Homogenous

3. Which word in the passage means 'having a broken, rocky and uneven surface'?

- A. Untrodden
- B. Haphazard
- C. Rugged
- D. Congruity

4. What is the author's opinion on the homogeneity of a generation?

- A. There is nothing called a generation. Life is a miracle, and each one of us is living our own individual life. The very idea of generation itself is a myth.



B. The older generation of people had several similarities in their opinions and beliefs, but the younger generation does not have that.

C. Every generation has too many differences and in that sense, there is no similarity among its members.

D. Even though it seems that a generation is similar in all aspects, and in that sense, static in its beliefs, but in reality, it is undergoing continuous changes

5. What is the author's opinion on people who "have nerve enough"?

A. Such people exist only among the youngsters who have the nerve to go against established norms, whereas, in the case of veterans they are stuck to age-old customs.

B. Such people existed only in the past in large numbers, but at present we do not see such individuals at all who have the guts to stand by their beliefs.

C. Such people are homogenous with the customs being followed in their communities from generations together and have the nerve to abide by the same.

D. Such people are very small in number, but they alone have the guts to move out of the established norms and take their beliefs forward amidst difficulties

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86) **As sooner do I take** a dose of medicine than I started feeling better.

- a) No sooner I have taken
- b) No sooner did I take
- c) As soon as I take
- d) No improvement

87) If the room **was been bright**, I would have been able to study.

- a) Was any brighter
- b) Had been brighter
- c) Had more brighter
- d) No improvement

88) Todd was **walking of** the road when they caught up with him.

- a) Walking down
- b) Walking onto
- c) Walking it off
- d) No improvement

89) The King came upon a servant who was singing **happy when he worked**

- a) Happily while he worked
- b) Happy while he worked
- c) Happily when he worked
- d) No improvement

90) I **am always wondered**, how your one smile could make me happy for the whole day.

- a) Had wondered always
- b) Have always wonder
- c) Have always wondered
- d) No improvement

91) At that time, there were a **few woman** in management positions.

- a) A few women
- b) A little women



c) Few woman                      d) No improvement

92) He was a **men of few words** except when he mounted the stage to recite his poetry.

a) Men of few word              b) Man of few words

c) Man with few words      d) No improvement

93) I will not start cooking until you **have come** home.

a) Had come                      b) Will have come

c) Come                            d) No improvement

94) I **have queued** up for too long for shopping coupons.

a) Had queued                  b) Have been queuing up

c) Have queuing up      d) No improvement

95) I know you really wanted that job, but you weren't hired, so **it is of no good cry over** spilt milk now.

a) it is of no use crying on

b) it is no use crying over

c) it is no use to cry over      d) No improvement

96) Although his relationship with his mother **have improved somehow**, he was still depressed.

a) Had improved somehow

b) Had improved somewhat

c) Have improved somewhat      d) No improvement

97) They look as though they are heading **to** divorce.

a) About                            b) From

c) For                                d) No improvement

98) My **mom advise** was to always follow your dreams.

a) Mom advice                      b) Mom"s advise

c) Mom"s advice      d) No improvement

99) You may not be obligated to do so, but your little goodwill can **light on someone's** life in many ways.

a) Light on someone"s      b) Light up someone"s

c) Light up someone      d) No improvement

100) I **have thought** about moving to New York since I visited my friend there last summer.

a) Had thought                      b) Were thinking

c) Have been thinking      d) No improvement

Cloze test.1.

1.4    2.2    3.3    4.2

Cloze Test 2

1.4    2.3    3.3    4.2    5.1

Sentence Arrangement.

1.1    2.4    3.3    4.1    5.4

Passage. 1.c                      2.d    3.c    4.d    5.d

Sentence Improvement.

86.b    87.b    88.a    89.b    90.c    91.a    92.b

93.c    94.b    95. B    96.b    97. C    98. C    99. B

100. C