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8. On stop signal, keep the question paper and the answer sheet on your table and wait for the invigilator to collect them.

9. Use of Calculators, Tables, etc. are prohibited.
1. The data _________ my hypothesis that animal-lovers enjoy better health.
   (A) Identifies   (B) Underlines   (C) Confirms   (D) Generates

2. The first lecture in the series was on the _________ of human communication.
   (A) Character   (B) Nature   (C) Focus   (D) Truth

3. Replace the word in bold with a more formal alternative.
   The book is mainly concerned with the problem of policing the internet.
   (A) Chiefly   (B) Basically   (C) Primarily   (D) Really

4. Choose the most appropriate ending for the beginning
   The writer makes a powerful _________
   (A) Scope of her research   (B) Approach to her theme of study
   (C) Aspect of modern society   (D) Case for restructuring parliament

5. His research supervisor was critical of his work for not being _________ enough.
   (A) Qualitative   (B) Quantitative   (C) Rigorous   (D) Lengthy

6. Social research techniques were applied to _________ examine the effects of the policy on the poor.
   (A) Strongly   (B) Mainly   (C) Thoroughly   (D) Critically

7. Various measures were introduced last year to _________ the issue of identity theft.
   (A) Address   (B) Redress   (C) Discuss   (D) Establish

8. The study _________ an autoethnographic method to probe into the researcher’s identity with respect to his writings in his blog.
   (A) Deploys   (B) Uses   (C) Derives   (D) Infers

9. We will now discuss the development of the Surrealist Movement
   (A) On the whole   (B) To some extent
   (C) In more detail   (D) To what extent

10. Which one of the following does not fit in the sentence given below?
    The evidence _________ a different conclusion.
    (A) Figures out   (B) Categorises   (C) Supports   (D) Emerges
11. ________ is the art or technique of persuasion usually through the use of language.
   (A) Propaganda  (B) Advertising  (C) Rhetoric  (D) Publicity

12. The correlation function of mass communication is important because
   (A) The media can help maintain social stability
   (B) The media can keep audiences informed about issues, events and other developments in society
   (C) The media help people learn society's rule and how to fit into society
   (D) All of the above

13. A film that is made not for commercial reasons, but as a work of art.
   (A) Art work  (B) Art-house
   (C) Art film  (D) Artistic media

14. Paramount is a film studio located in
   (A) Germany  (B) Russia  (C) England  (D) Hollywood

15. Typifying or categorizing the film based on form and content is
   (A) Film Genre  (B) Film style
   (C) Film movement  (D) Film appreciation

16. Oligopoly
   (A) Is a word used to link the subject of a sentence with a predicate
   (B) Describes the situation in which a small group of companies exerts almost exclusive control over the business being done
   (C) Is a well known and well loved board game played around the world
   (D) Is a collection of images

17. What do horror films, soap operas, and video games have in common?
   (A) They appeal only to the uneducated
   (B) They affect audiences' beliefs directly
   (C) They are examples of high culture
   (D) They are examples of low culture
18. Which of the following is NOT a value of the postmodern society?
   (A) Supporting hierarchy  (B) Diversifying and recycling culture
   (C) Questioning scientific reasoning  (D) Embracing paradox

19. Many media organizations utilize __________, practitioners internal to the company who serve as "judges" in disputes between the public and the organization.
   (A) Lawyers  (B) Independent writers
   (C) Ombudsmen  (D) NGOs

20. The Press Council of India is an
   (A) Autonomous body  (B) Quasi judicial body
   (C) Registered Society  (D) Wing of Supreme Court

21. The term *culture industry* was coined by
   (A) Theodor Adorno and Max Horkheimer
   (B) Marx and Engels
   (C) Marx
   (D) Theodor Adorno

22. Rupert Murdoch owns
   (A) BBC Corp  (B) CNN International
   (C) New Media Corp  (D) Disney World

23. MMORPG stands for
   (A) Multimedia Online Role Playing Games
   (B) Mammoth Multiplayer Online Role Playing Games
   (C) Massive Multiplayer Online Role Playing Games
   (D) Man to Man Online Role Playing Games

24. The term ‘Smart mob’ referring to a crowd using smart digital technologies was coined by
   (A) Bill Gates  (B) Rupert Murdoch
   (C) Howard Rheingold  (D) Meyrowitz
25. Which of the following news magazines has shut its print version and migrated to online version?
   (A) Time          (B) Newsweek      (C) Economist     (D) Outlook

26. Multi-tasking in journalism is due to
   (A) Media globalisation  (B) Economic liberalisation
   (C) Social integration   (D) Technology convergence

27. The author of the book Mass Communication Theory is
   (A) Marshal Mc Luhan      (B) Denis Mc Quail
   (C) Al Gore               (D) Kennedy Thompson

28. A hybrid genre on television or radio in a serial format which follows the experience of real people over a period of time
   (A) Docufiction          (B) Docudrama     (C) Documentary   (D) Docusoap

29. Historically, the term “hypertext” was used when textual information was linked in ways.
   (A) Sequential         (B) Real time
   (C) Nonsequential      (D) Linear

30. The term ‘public sphere’ was coined by
   (A) Manuel Castells     (B) Jurgen Habermas
   (C) Pierre Bourdieu     (D) Paul Lazarsfeld

31. An underlying meaning in something such as a piece of literature is known as
   (A) Subtitle           (B) Subtext      (C) Subscribe   (D) Subscript

32. Hegemony theory is associated with which theoretical perspective on the media?
   (A) the conflict perspective
   (B) the functionalist perspective
   (C) the structuralist perspective
   (D) the symbolic interactionist perspective
33. An over generalization about the appearance, behaviour, or other characteristics about all members of a group is called
   (A) stereotyping          (B) perpetual discrimination
   (C) visual profiling      (D) media prejudice

34. The audience relations approach, uses and gratifications theory, and hypodermic needle theory are aligned with the __________ perspective.
   (A) feminist              (B) symbolic interactionist
   (C) conflict              (D) functionalist

35. __________ theory argues that people who share a culture also share an ongoing correspondence of meaning.
   (A) Social construction of reality (B) Social Responsibility
   (C) Self determination         (D) Social reconstruction

36. Which of the following is NOT one of the primary functions of mass communication?
   (A) Surveillance           (B) Correlation
   (C) Cultural Transmission  (D) Immunization

37. Michel Foucault's Panopticon is a concept of
   (A) Surveillance           (B) Gender identity
   (C) Liberalism             (D) Stereotyping

38. The two step flow of communication was advocated by
   (A) Lasswell                (B) Lazarsfeld
   (C) Gerbner                (D) William Stephenson

39. In limited effects theory, the influence of media is thought to be limited by people's intelligence and education—in other words, by their
   (A) individual differences (B) individual exposure
   (C) individualistic intelligence (D) individual excellence

40. __________ theory is the idea that people learn through observation to model the behaviors they see.
   (A) Behaviour Control      (B) Social Cognitive
   (C) Public Regulation      (D) Popular Perception
41. In semiotics, a sign is comprised of
   (A) signifier  (B) signified
   (C) representation  (D) both (A) and (B)

42. Social constructionism is concerned with how knowledge is
   (A) constructed  (B) created
   (C) objectivised  (D) causally derived

43. Social Learning Theory is propagated by
   (A) Albert Einstein  (B) Alfred Hitchcock
   (C) Albert Bandura  (D) Albright Margaret

44. The theory that states that people are helpless victims of mass media produced by large companies, is called:
   (A) Victimization Theory  (B) Mass Media Theory
   (C) Mass Society Theory  (D) Social Structure Theory

45. When you apply the term denotation to a picture, you
   (A) Change the structure of a photograph
   (B) List all of the words that the image is associated
   (C) Change the way an image represents itself
   (D) List all of the contents that are clearly visible

46. The "theorems" of Uncertainty Reduction Theory (URT) were produced by
   (A) Gathering empirical data about the axioms of URT
   (B) Logical combination of all possible pairs of URT axioms
   (C) Generalizing from the axioms of URT
   (D) Surveying the "community of scholars" about their beliefs regarding uncertainty reduction

47. An individual who believes that a breakdown of traditional values will be the inevitable result of the spread of the Internet is said to believe in
   (A) Technological determinism  (B) Manifest destiny
   (C) Technological despotism  (D) Latent destiny
48. Dependency theory ties together
   (A) People, Press and Problems
   (B) Social Systems, Mass Media and Individual
   (C) Television, Children and Parents
   (D) Rich, Poor and Society

49. Hegemony is a concept propounded by
   (A) Pierre Bourdieu                (B) Gramsci
   (C) Henry Jenkins                 (D) Anderson

50. The theorist ———— is associated with semiotics.
   (A) McLuhan                      (B) Hall Martin
   (C) Roland Barthes                (D) Emile Durkheim

51. Any interpretive method which focuses on understanding ‘meanings’
   (A) qualitative research        (B) quality television
   (C) quantitative                (D) quantization

52. Discourse analysis focuses on
   (A) a speaker’s expressed intent
   (B) mythological allusions      
   (C) rhetorical conventions      
   (D) how language positions us in the social world

53. Emic or insider’s perspective in ethnography is associated with
   (A) Nonparticipant observation   (B) Quasi-participant observation
   (C) Participant observation      (D) Covert observation

54. Research questions about the immediate, observable influence of mass
    communication are examples of ———— research.
   (A) explorative                 (B) descriptive     (C) administrative (D) experimental

55. During the final step of the critical process, you determine
   (A) the parts of the subject     (B) the patterns in your research
   (C) the relative quality of the subject (D) why the subject matters
56. Which of the following puts steps in the critical process in the correct order?
   (A) description, evaluation, analysis, engagement, interpretation
   (B) description, analysis, interpretation, evaluation, engagement
   (C) engagement, description, evaluation, interpretation, analysis
   (D) analysis, interpretation, engagement, description, evaluation

57. Media form analysis examines
   (A) the structure of news stories
   (B) how each medium organizes particular elements of content
   (C) media distribution
   (D) all of the above

58. Identify the level of measurement to know about a respondent's ethnicity
   (A) Ordinal   (B) Interval   (C) Ratio   (D) Nominal

59. Which of the following is an example of a nonrandom sampling method?
   (A) stratified sampling    (B) simple random
   (C) convenience sampling   (D) cluster random

60. The sampling frame is the
   (A) strategy used to select participants
   (B) population that is accessible for study
   (C) technique used to recruit study participants
   (D) population of interest as defined through available records

61. Who is one of the key proponents of content analysis?
   (A) Entman   (B) Neuman   (C) Krippendorf   (D) Lasswell

62. Which of the following survey questions is an example of a closed-ended question?
   (A) What resources do you most need in your computer lab?
   (B) Do you describe the internet speed in your computer lab as fast, moderate or slow?
   (C) What is the purchasing process to acquire design software for the lab?
   (D) What are the software do you intend to buy for the computer this year?
63. Which one of the following is not part of ethnography?
   (A) Observation       (B) Note taking       (C) Lab setting       (D) Interviews

64. The development of a solid foundation of reliable knowledge typically is built from which type of research?
   (A) Action Research       (B) Basic Research
   (C) Evaluation Research   (D) Orientation Research

65. Which one of the following is NOT a method of data collection?
   (A) Discourse Analysis    (B) Ethnographies
   (C) Participant-Observation (D) Focus Group Discussion

66. Which form of reasoning is the process of drawing a specific conclusion from a set of premises?
   (A) Deductive Reasoning   (B) Inductive Reasoning
   (C) Logical Reasoning    (D) Specific Reasoning

67. Which of the following best describes quantitative research?
   (A) Collection of non-numerical data
   (B) Attempt to confirm researcher's hypothesis
   (C) Research that is exploratory
   (D) Research that attempts to generate a new theory

68. Which correlation is the strongest?
   (A) +.10           (B) −.95          (C) +.90          (D) −1.00

69. Indicate the level of measurement of 'Education' measured by asking students how many years of education they have completed?
   (A) Nominal    (B) Ordinal    (C) Interval     (D) Ratio

70. Which of the following approaches says that ethical issues should be judged on the basis of some universal code?
   (A) Deontological     (B) Ethical Skepticism
   (C) Utilitarianism    (D) Ontological
71. Empirical research is based on
   (A) History   (B) Observation   (C) Debate   (D) Deviation

72. Qualitative methods of media research are mostly
   (A) Manipulation   (B) Calculation   (C) Interpretative   (D) Empirical

73. A general approach to a research problem is described as a
   (A) research design   (B) research strategy   (C) research plot   (D) research method

74. Reductionism is the characteristic of the research which is
   (A) Quantitative   (B) Qualitative   (C) Historical   (D) Anthropology

75. A key principle of ethnography research is
   (A) Information   (B) Holism   (C) Data entry   (D) Deflection

76. The insider perspective was first used in
   (A) simulation   (B) gate keeping   (C) factor analysis   (D) mass cultural studies

77. The interpretation of verbal symbols in media research is
   (A) straight   (B) linear   (C) non-linear   (D) wavy

78. Cultural studies related to media have roots in
   (A) The UK   (B) The US   (C) Canada   (D) Sri Lanka

79. The subject in a survey research is also known as
   (A) dependent variable   (B) research subject   (C) respondent   (D) interviewee

80. Ethnomethodology is a variation of
   (A) political science   (B) sociology   (C) industrial relation   (D) social psychology

81. What are the 2 types of logic?
   (A) Deduction and induction   (B) Reduction and introduction   (C) Reproduction and concussion   (D) All the above
82. What is the definition of deductive reasoning?
   (A) A type of argument in which the speaker moves from general observation to giving examples to prove their point
   (B) A type of argument in which the writer gives specific examples in order to prove a specific point
   (C) A type of argument in which the writer reasons his point of view
   (D) A type of argument in which the writer gives specific examples in order to prove another point

83. What does rhetoric mean?
   (A) It is the emotions part of an argument
   (B) An argument made to convince your audience of a specific point of view
   (C) It is the logic part of an argument
   (D) It is the knowledge part of an argument

84. What does inductive reasoning mean?
   (A) A type of argument in which the speaker moves from general observation to giving specific examples to prove their point
   (B) A type of argument in which the writer gives specific examples in order to prove a specific point
   (C) A type of argument in which the writer reasons his point of view
   (D) A type of argument in which the writer and speaker give their points of view

85. On Monday I ate at the Muniyandi Vilas Restaurant in Coimbatore, and the food was good. On Tuesday I ate at the Muniyandi Vilas Restaurant in Salem, and the food was good. Therefore, if I eat at the Muniyandi Vilas Restaurant in Pondicherry today, the food will also be good. What kind of logic it is?
   (A) Inductive
   (B) Deductive
   (C) Seductive
   (D) None of the above

86. Everyone is coughing in the room; therefore, someone believes that he/she will catch a cold. This reasoning is an example of what kind of logical evidence?
   (A) deduction
   (B) facts and statistics
   (C) analogy
   (D) induction
87. If a moving object does possess acceleration, that is, if ‘a’ in formula $F = ma$ is not zero, then the force $F$ cannot be zero. Now an object falling to Earth from some height does possess acceleration. Hence some force must be acting. What kind of logic it is?

(A) Inductive  
(B) Deductive  
(C) Seductive  
(D) None of the above

88. Yale is an Ivy League school, and it has a good library. Harvard is an Ivy League school, and it has a good library. Because Brown is an Ivy League school, it must have a good library too. What kind of logic it is?

(A) Inductive  
(B) Deductive  
(C) Seductive  
(D) None of the above

89. All human beings have the ability to think rationally and realistically. We all can realize, "Even if I am probably correct, there is still room for questioning." Thus we can allow discussion, disconfirmation, and new evidence to change our minds. What kind of logic it is?

(A) Inductive  
(B) Deductive  
(C) Seductive  
(D) None of the above

90. Astronomers infer the existence of dark matter because it would provide the unseen glue that keeps galaxies intact and galaxy clusters from disassembling. But dark matter has never been convincingly detected directly. What kind of logic it is?

(A) Inductive  
(B) Deductive  
(C) Seductive  
(D) None of the above

91. The RBI has decided to introduce one billion pieces of Rs. 10 notes in polymer/plastic on a field trial basis. The field trial will be conducted in five cities. Which of the following is not among them?

(A) Shimla  
(B) Jaipur  
(C) Nagpur  
(D) Bhubaneswar

92. On February 14th 2013 India has concluded $6 billion Missile deal with which country?

(A) Russia  
(B) France  
(C) England  
(D) USA

93. The first indigenously developed weaponised helicopter was handed over to Indian Army on 8th February 2013 is

(A) Rudra  
(B) Varun  
(C) Chetak  
(D) Indra
94. Which core sector industry has the highest weight in the Index of Industrial Production (IIP)?
   (A) Coal  (B) Crude Oil
   (C) Electricity  (D) Petroleum refinery Products

95. Who amongst the following is the author of the book Unaccustomed Earth?
   (A) Jhumpa Lahiri  (B) Meera Nair
   (C) Salman Rushdie  (D) Dalai Lama

96. Which is not a feature of the American Constitution?
   (A) Written Constitution  (B) Federation
   (C) Cabinet System  (D) Republic

97. Who has been awarded the world Food Prize 2012?
   (A) Kofi Annan  (B) Daniel Hillel
   (C) Ban Ki-Moon  (D) Desmond Tutu

98. ISRO has given clearance for using which frequency band from satellite for internet on trains?
   (A) S Band  (B) C Band  (C) KU Band  (D) 3G Spectrum

99. Kaushik Basu the ex-economic advisor to the Prime Minister of India was appointed in September 2012 as
   (A) President of IMF  (B) President of World Bank
   (C) Economic Adviser of UNO  (D) Chief Economist of World Bank

100. The Global Terrorism Index (GTI) ranks India as the ———— most terrorism affected country for the year 2012.
    (A) 2nd  (B) 3rd  (C) 4th  (D) 5th