

**DAY 26**

**MCA CET 2025**

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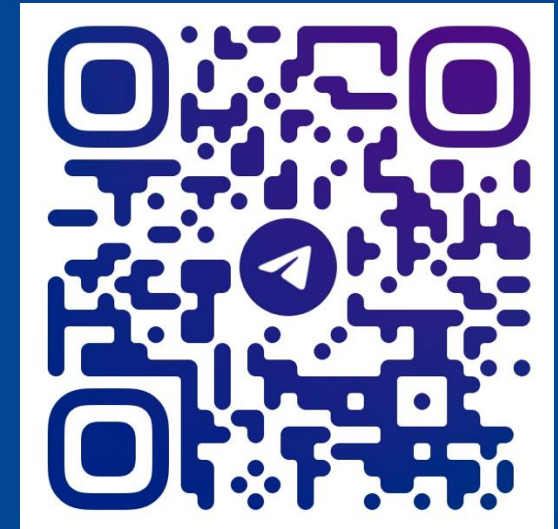




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## 1. One's cup of tea

SSC MTS 05/07/2022 (Shift-1)

- (a) One's perception about someone
- (b) One's general principle
- (c) One's hard-earned money
- ✓ (d) One's chosen or preferred thing



## 2. Chew the scenery

- (a) To understate
- ✓ (b) To act overly emotional
- (c) To beautify
- (d) To mismanage

SSC MTS 05/07/2022 (Shift-1)



### 3. Through thick and thin

**SSC MTS 05/07/2022 (Shift-2)**

- (a) In good and bad times
- (b) With great pride
- (c) To work hard to the point of exhaustion
- (d) In every possible way



#### 4. Tricks of the trade

SSC MTS 05/07/2022 (Shift-3)

(a) A particular profession

(b) A trick to deceive

✓ (c) Special skills or knowledge

(d) An easy task



## 5. In a nutshell

SSC MTS 05/07/2022 (Shift-3)

- (a) Extremely pale
- ✓ (b) Very briefly
- (c) Under protection
- (d) Without delay



## 6. Out for the count

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SSC MTS 06/07/2022 (Shift-3)

- (a) Very expensive
- (b) Prepared for battle
- (c) In a deep, insensible sleep
- (d) Ready for scrutiny

*in unconscious.*





## 7. Draw the line

SSC MTS 06/07/2022 (Shift-1)

- (a) To accept someone's idea
  - (b) To give a second chance
  - (c) To move on from a past relationship
  - (d) To set a limit on something
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## 8. Change of heart

SSC MTS 06/07/2022 (shift-2)

- (a) To narrowly escape disaster
- (b) An unfair attack
- ✓ (c) Different opinion about someone or something
- (d) Very similar in appearance



## 9. An eyewash

→ misleading actions

SSC MTS 06/07/2022 (Shift-2)

(a) In writing

(b) A pretence

(c) Avoid talking

(d) A rare event

→ an action which is believed to be TRUE but it is not.



## 10. To lead one by the nose

SSC MTS 06 /07/2022 (shift-3)

*do*

- (a) To ~~be~~ again after failing at something
- (b) To control someone completely
- (c) To have the freedom to choose
- (d) To be anxious to start something





## 11. Play with fire

SSC MTS 06/07/2022 (Shift-3)

- (a) To play a game honestly
- (b) To do something risky
- (c) To please someone
- (d) To waste time on worthless things



## 12. To foot the bill

SSC MTS 07/07/2022 (Shift-1)

- (a) To reveal a secret
- (b) To be friendly
- (c) To hold grudges
- (d) To make payment





### 13. Long in the tooth

SSC MTS 07/07/2022 (Shift-2)

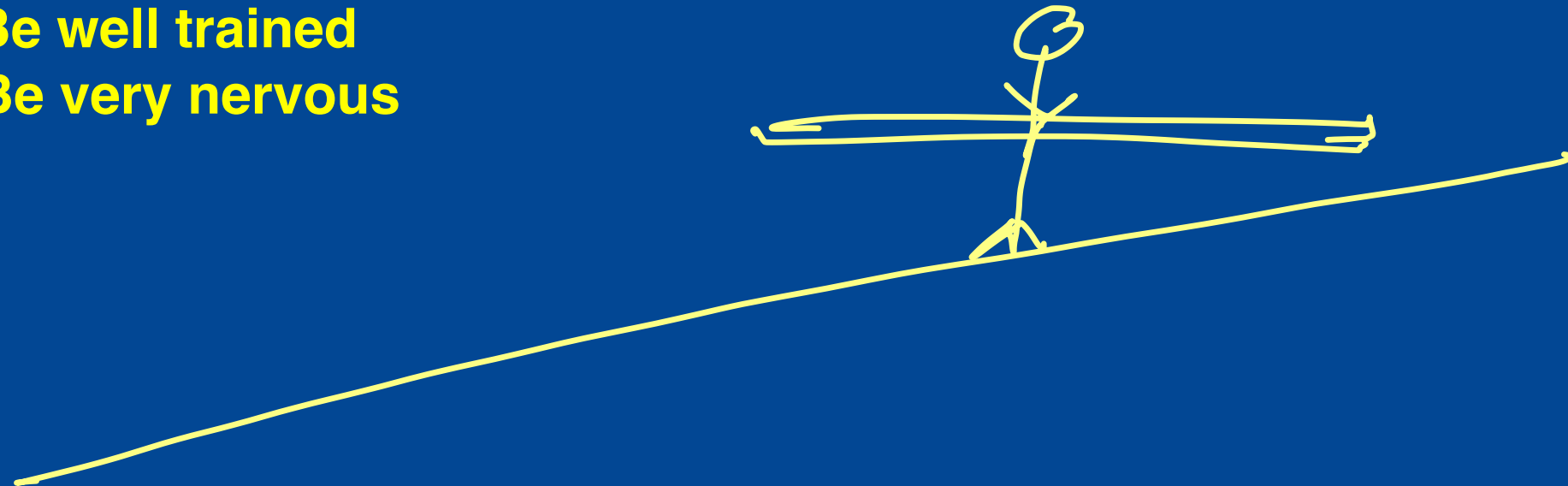
- (a) Too uncomfortable for words
- (b) Too old to do something
- (c) Too wise for people
- (d) Extremely dangerous



## 14. To walk the tight rope

SSC MTS 11/07/2022 (Shift-1)

- (a) Be an expert
- (b) Be very cautious
- (c) Be well trained
- (d) Be very nervous







## 15. Spill the beans

SSC MTS 11/07/2022 (Shift-1)

- (a) To drop something
- (b) To find out something
- ✓ (c) Give away a secret
- (d) To get a new idea

To find out something.



## 16. To smell a rat

SSC MTS 11/07/2022 (Shift-3)

- (a) To suspect something
- (b) To catch someone during a crime
- (c) To leave things undisturbed
- (d) To detect a dead rat



17. To take with a grain of salt

SSC MTS 13/07/2022 (Shift-2)

(a) To take seriously

(b) To have total disbelief

✓ (c) To believe with some scepticism

(d) To accept wholeheartedly

— *feeling doubtly*



## 18. Make a living

SSC MTS 13/07/2022 (Shift-2)

- (a) To abuse someone
- (b) To make excuses for everything
- (c) To earn enough money for things you need
- (d) To rely on corrupt money





## 19. To raise a dust

SSC MTS 14/07/2022 (Shift-1)

- (a) To meet one's defeat
- (b) To be satisfied with what you have achieved
- (c) ~~To be secretly or inwardly amused~~
- (d)  To cause disruption or confusion



20. Once In a blue moon

SSC MTS 18/07/2022 (Shift-2)

(a) Occasionally

(b) Very rarely

(c) Frequently

(d) Incessantly

*once in a  
month*



## 21. Hit the nail on the head

SSC MTS 18/07/2022 (Shift-2)

- (a) To be extremely cautious
- ✓ (b) To be exactly right about something
- (c) To injure someone fatally
- (d) To be extremely hard working



## 22. An eye opener

SSC MTS 25/07/2022 (Shift-3)

- (a) A tough decision.
- (b) A shocking revelation
- (c) A difficult task
- (d) A small opening



## 23. Castle in the air

SSC MTS 26/07/2022 (Shift-1)

- (a) Acquire something honestly
- (b) unrealistic plan
- (c) Very expensive
- (d) Polluted air



## 24. The last straw

SSC MTS 26/07/2022 (Shift-1)

- (a) The last ray of hope in an unfortunate situation
- (b) The last financial resource
- (c) The only option left after a series of unsuccessful attempts

~~(d) The final problem in a series of problems that makes the situation intolerable~~



~~25. Pull someone's legs~~

SSC MTS 26/07/2022 (Shift - 2)

~~(a) To tease someone~~

(b) To protect someone

(c) To wish someone luck

(d) To make someone angry





**26. By hook or by crook**

- (a) By a narrow margin**
- (b) By any means**
- (c) By default**
- (d) By mistake**

**SSC MTS 26/07/2022 (Shift-3)**



## 27. Bolt from the blue

SSC MTS 26/07/2022 (Shift-3)

- ~~(a) To receive unexpected news~~
- (b) To get good news
- (c) To win a large sum of money
- (d) To get lucky



## 28. Full steam ahead

SSC GD 01/12/2021 (Shift-1)

- (a) Move very noisily
- (b) Make a train journey
- (c) Miss the train before reaching
- ~~(d) Move onward with determination~~



## 29. Flea market

SSC GD 01/12/2021 (Shift-2)

- (a) A place where fish and marine animals are sold
- (b) A place where stolen goods are sold
- (c) A place where antiques and second-hand goods are sold
- (d) A place where vegetables and fruits are sold



### 30. Out of the blue

SSC GD 01/12/2021 (Shift-3)

- (a) Sorrowfully
- (b) Unexpectedly
- (c) Without a uniform
- (d) From the sky



**31. In the long run**

**SSC GD 2/12/2021 (Shift-1)**

- (a) Repeatedly**
- ~~(b) Eventually~~**
- (c) Incase**
- (d) On condition**



**32. On cloud nine**

**SSC GD 2/12/2021 (Shift-2)**

- (a) Very worried**
- (b) Very angry**
- (c) Very tar**
- ~~(d) Very happy~~**





### **33. A can of worms**

**SSC GD 2/12/2021 (Shift-2)**

- (a) A plan kept back to be used later**
  - (b) A difficult person to deal with**
  - (c) A good source of money**
  - (d) A complicated situation or problem**
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## 34. Over and over again

SSC GD 2/12/2021 (Shift-2)

- (a) Start something new
- ~~(b) Do something repeatedly~~
- ~~(c) Work very hard~~
- (d) End of something important



**35. To throw up the sponge**

**SSC GD 01/02/2023 (Shift-1)**

- ~~(a) To surrender or give up a contest~~
- (b) To offer a challenge
- (c) to become utterly disappointed
- (d) To maintain grit and enthusiasm until the end



## 36. Mark up

SSC GD 2/12/2021 (Shift-3)

- (a) Put a dear label
- (b) Deliberately smear
- (c) Accidentally stain
- ~~(d) Increase the price~~



### 37. From far and wide

- ~~(a) From all directions~~
- (b) From a nearby place
- (c). From a far off place
- (d) From somewhere

SSC GD 3/12/2021 (Shift-1)



**38. At your beck and call**

**SSC GD 10/01/2023 (Shift-1)**

- ~~(a) To have absolute control over someone~~
- (b) To call someone respectfully
- (c) To have no control over someone
- (d) To call someone and then deny



39. A night owl



SSC GD 10/01/2023 (Shift-1)

(a) Someone who has good eyesight

(b) Someone who works very hard

(c) Someone who never works

~~(d) A person who prefers to be awake late at night~~

A person who wakes up early in  
the morning = \_\_\_\_\_





## 40. Bed of roses

SSC GD 10/01/2023 (Shift-2)

- (a) As one wishes
- (b) be bound to obey
- ~~(c) A pleasant condition of life~~
- (d) With all of one's belonging



## 41. Bag and baggage

SSC GD 10/01/2023 (Shift-2)

- (a) Lots of bags
- (b) To make a beginning
- (c) Close friends
- ~~(d) With all belongings~~



## 42. After one's own heart

SSC GD 10/01/2023 (Shift-3)

- (a) Having a face as one's own
- (b) Having likes and dislikes dissimilar to one's own
- (c) Having likes and dislikes far to one's own
- ~~(d)~~ Having likes and dislikes similar to one's own

Sharing of same taste & views



**43. To call in question**

**SSC GD 11/01/2023 (Shift-1)**

- (a) Show indifference**
- (b) Take a resolute stand**
- ~~**(c) Challenge**~~
- (d) Dislike the arrangement**



44. In dire straits

- (a) Crumble under autocracy
- (b) Eliminate doubts and fears
- (c) Futuristic hope
- (d) Very bad situation

SSC GD 11/01/2023 (Shift-2)

very bad.

very bad situation

narrow land piece  
between two  
sea or ocean.





## 45. Steal someone's thunder

SSC GD 11/01/2023 (Shift-3)

(a) To follow a successful person's instructions

(b) To imitate others

*COPY* ~~(c)~~ To take the credit for something someone else did

(d) To find it difficult to choose between two alternatives

Imitation Jewellery.



## 46. Light at the end of tunnel

SSC GD 12/01/2023 (Shift-2)

- ~~(a)~~ Something that signals the end of a difficult situation
- (b) An opening at the end of a matter
- (c) New light coming out from darkness
- (d) A ~~preparing~~ for examinations

*preparation*





**47. Blow one's own trumpet**

**SSC GD 13/01/2023 (Shift-1)**

- (a) To be very keen**
- (b) To be confused**
- (c) To disgrace oneself**
- ~~(d) To praise oneself~~**



## 48. Add fuel to the flames

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SSC GD 13/01/2023 (Shift-2)

- (a) On the point of dying
- (b) At the slightest signal or provocation
- ~~(c) Making a bad situation even worse .~~
- (d) Performing a desirable action



**49. Hang in there**

**SSC GD 13/01/2023 (Shift-3)**

- (a) A wise decision**
- (b) Overcoming joy**
- (c) Don't take up a controversy**
- ~~(d) Don't give up~~**



50. To put a spoke in one's wheel

*Stop somebody from their plan.* SSC GD 13/01/2023 (Shift-3)

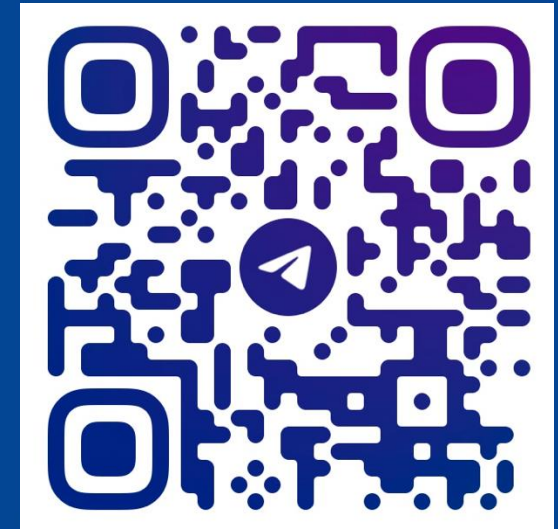
- (a) To thwart someone in execution of one's design
- (b) To leave someone without any provision
- (c) To receive cold reception
- (d) Narrating a false story



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