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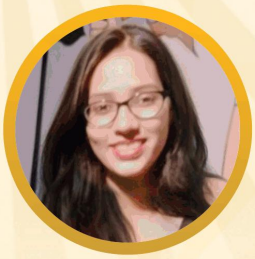

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Puzzle Test Questions for IBPS PO PRE, SBI PO PRE, SBI CLERK MAINS & IBPS CLERK MAINS

Set No 40

Direction: Read the given information carefully and answer the questions given beside:

Eight CA's – Shanu, Sami, Sati, Sarv, Shan, Sema, Siri, and Sita have their offices on eight different floors of a building XYZ where ground floor is numbered 1, first floor is numbered 2 and so on. Each of the CA's has a different secretary. The following information is known about them.

One of the secretaries is Zoey. Shanu's office is above Siri's office with a difference of one floor between them. There is a gap of two floors between the one whose secretary is Zuby and the one whose secretary is Zara. Sarv has his office on an odd numbered floor above the one whose secretary is Ziva and the number of floor between them is one. Sati's secretary is Zora and is adjacent to Sita whose secretary is not Ziva. Shanu's secretary is Zeba and his office is on 6th floor. The one whose secretary is Zara has his office on the top floor. Shan's secretary is either Zoya or Zayn and has his office immediately below Sami but not on 1st floor. The one whose secretary is Zoya has an office immediately above the one whose secretary is Zayn.

1. Who among the following is the secretary of Siri?

A. Zora B. Zoey C. Zuby D. Ziva E. None of these

2. Who among the following CA's has his/her office on the lowermost floor?

A. Sati B. Siri C. Sami D. Sema E. None of these

3. How many floors are there between secretary of Sami and the one who lives immediate below the one whose secretary is Zuby?

A. None B. One C. Two D. Three E. None of these

4. How many floors are there between Ziva and Zara?

A. One B. Two C. Three D. Four E. None of these

5. How many CA's have their offices below Shanu?

A. One B. Two C. Three D. Four E. None of these

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Correct Answers:

1	2	3	4	5
B	D	A	D	E

Common explanation:

Reference:
Shanu's secretary is Zeba and his office is on 6th floor.
Shanu's office is above Siri's office with a difference of one floor between them.

Inference:
Using the given hints we can draw a following table:

Floor	CA	Secretary
8		
7		
6	Shanu	Zeba
5		
4	Siri	
3		
2		
1		

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Reference:
The one whose secretary is Zara has his office on the top floor.
There is a gap of two floors between the one whose secretary is Zuby and the one whose secretary is Zara.

Inference:
With the given hint we can fix the position of Zara and Zuby in the table.

Floor	CA	Secretary
8		Zara
7		
6	Shanu	Zeba
5		Zuby
4	Siri	
3		
2		
1		

Reference:
Sarv has his office on an odd numbered floor above the one whose secretary is Ziva and the number of floor between them is one.

Inference:
At this point there is only one floor left on which we can fix the position of Sarv under the given conditions.

Floor	CA	Secretary
8		Zara
7		
6	Shanu	Zeba
5	Sarv	Zuby
4	Siri	
3		Ziva
2		
1		

Reference:
Shan's secretary is either Zoya or Zayn and has his office immediately below Sami but not on 1st floor.
The one whose secretary is Zoya has an office immediately above the one whose secretary is Zayn.

Inference:
At this point there is only one possible scenario in which we can use the above hint in our table

Floor	CA	Secretary
8		Zara
7		
6	Shanu	Zeba
5	Sarv	Zuby
4	Siri	
3	Sami	Ziva
2	Shan	Zoya
1		Zayn

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Reference:
Sati's secretary is Zora and is adjacent to Sita whose secretary is not Ziva.
One of the secretaries is Zoey.

Inference:
After using the above information our table looks like this:

Floor	CA	Secretary
8	Sita	Zara
7	Sati	Zora
6	Shanu	Zeba
5	Sarv	Zuby
4	Siri	Zoey
3	Sami	Ziva
2	Shan	Zoya
1	Sema	Zayn

Answers :

1. Following the final solution we can say that Zoey is secretary of Siri.
Hence, the correct answer is option B.

2. Following the final solution we can say that Sema has her office on lowermost floor.
Hence, the correct answer is option D.

3. Following the final solution we can say that there is no floor between the secretary of Sami and the one who lives immediate below the one whose secretary is Zuby i.e. Siri.
Hence, the correct answer is option A.

4. Following the final solution we can say that there are four floors between the one whose secretary is Ziva and the one whose secretary is Zara.
Hence, the correct answer is option D.

5. Following the final solution we can say that five CA's have their offices below Shanu.
Hence, the correct answer is option E.

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