



Ssc Cgl Tier II Previous Year Question Paper Overview

Here, you can solve all the questions asked in Ssc Cgl Tier II Previous Year Question Paper on 2018-02-21 in the Morning exam. The detailed solutions are also provided for every previous year question and some of these questions can be asked again in your Ssc Cgl Tier II exam. There are 200 questions in the exam and 120 minutes are provided for the Ssc Cgl Tier II exam. The Cutoff of the exam was 150 marks hence you should try to score at least 160 marks.

Ssc Cgl Tier II Previous Year Question Paper : Questions and Solutions

Question 1 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. The cleaners sweep the streets everyday.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 49 Seconds

Options :

1. Sweeping of the steers everyday has been done by the cleaners.
2. Everyday the cleaners have been sweeping the streets.
3. The streets are swept by the cleaners everyday.
4. The streets have had been swept by the cleaners everyday.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e The streets are swept by the cleaners everyday.

Active voice- Subject + V_1/V_5 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + Is/Am/Are + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'the streets' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 2 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested,

select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. I said to him, "I am too tired now to go out with you."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 69 Seconds

Options :

1. I said to him that I was too tired then to go out with him.
2. I said to him that I am too tired then to go out with him.
3. I said to him that I was too tired then to go out with you.
4. I said to him that I am too tired then to go out with you.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. I said to him that I was too tired then to go out with him.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'Am' changes to 'was' as the reporting verb is in the past tense.
- 'Now' changes to 'then'.
- 'You' changes to 'him' according to 'him' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 3 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Rohit said, "I take a bath daily with cold water."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 72 Seconds

Options :

1. Rohit says that he were taking a bath daily with cold water.
2. Rohit said that he has had been taking a bath daily with cold water.
3. Rohit said that he is taking a bath daily with cold water.
4. Rohit said that he took a bath daily with cold water.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Rohit said that he took a bath daily with cold water.

- Inverted comma is removed.

Simple present tense changes to simple past tense.

- 'I' changes to 'he' according to 'Rohit' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 4 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The teacher said to the students, "I will not tolerate such behaviour."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 66 Seconds

Options :

1. The teacher said to the students that he would not tolerate such behaviour.
2. The teacher said to the students that he would not be tolerating such behaviour.
3. The teacher said to the students that he will not tolerate such behaviour.
4. The teacher said to the students that he will not be tolerating such behaviour.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The teacher said to the students that he would not tolerate such behaviour.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'Will' changes to 'would'.
- 'I' changes to 'he' according to 'the teacher' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 5 :

In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option. The goal of education should be to help the student to grow physically strong, mentally brilliant, spiritually _____, culturally rich, prosperous, globally peaceful and environment-friendly.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 70 Seconds

Options :

1. Enlightened
2. Misleading



Dominating

4. Hopeful

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Enlightened.

1. Spirituality imparts understanding and knowledge.
2. 'Enlightenment' means 'knowledge' or 'understanding'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 6 :

In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option. Vivekananda dared to attempt to _____ all that was rotting in Indian society and to enrich and learn from all that was noble.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 48 Seconds

Options :

1. Create
2. Sustain
3. Derive
4. Revamp

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Revamp.

1. To 'enrich' something, it must be improved.
2. 'Derive' and 'sustain' do not make a coherent sentence.
3. 'Create' means 'bring into existence'.
4. 'Revamp' means 'give new and improved form, structure or appearance to'.
5. 'Revamp' is the appropriate word.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 7 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) (has decreed) that all MF schemes must adopt the Total Return variants of their chosen benchmarks to measure and disclose their performance.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 51 Seconds

**Options :**

1. is decree
2. have decreed
3. has decreeing
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. No improvement.

- SEBI is a singular subject and therefore it will take a singular verb.
- 'Is' is a singular verb but it requires V_3 or V_4 after it.
- 'Has' is a singular verb and it takes V_3 after it.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 8 :

In the following question, four words have been given out of which one word is incorrectly spelt. Select the incorrectly spelt word.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 50 Seconds

Options :

1. Disparage
2. Diabolical
3. Discrepancy
4. Disheveled

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Discrepancy.

The correct word is 'Discrepancy'.

1. **Disparage**- Regard or represent as being of little worth.
2. **Diabolical**- Characteristic of the Devil, or so evil as to be suggestive of the Devil.
3. **Discrepancy**- An illogical or surprising lack of compatibility or similarity between two or more facts.
4. **Disheveled**- Make (a person's hair or clothes) untidy.



Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 9 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Affirmations fire the will to focus and perseverance towards (1)/ goal realisation and enable positive (2)/ thoughts to permeate one's sub consciousness. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 65 Seconds****Options :**

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Affirmations fire the will to focus and perseverance towards.

The error lies in part 1 of the statement because of the different part of speech.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'perseverance' with 'persevere' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- After 'to', the base form of the verb is used. As 'to focus', it should be 'to persevere'.
- 'And' takes the same parts of speech before and after. Since 'focus' is a verb, the next word must be a noun.
- So we need to use 'persevere' at the place of 'perseverance'.

The correct sentence will be-

Affirmations fire the will to focus and persevere towards goal realisation and enable positive thoughts to permeate one's sub consciousness.

Question 10 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. The more obvious feature (1)/ of the modern world is the enormous (2)/ development of Science and Technology. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 77 Seconds****Options :**



1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The more obvious feature.

The error lies in part 1 of the statement because of the wrong use of the adjective.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'more' with 'most' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- 'More' is used when two persons/things are mentioned.
- Since all the 'features' are compared, the superlative degree is appropriate.
- So we need to use 'most' at the place of 'more'.

The correct sentence will be-

The most obvious feature of the modern world is the enormous development of Science and Technology.

Question 11 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Forests make for beautiful natural landscapes and scenery. Q: They offer visitors and tourists the beauty of trees and plants of all kinds and a large variety of wildlife that inhabits the area. R: Forests are a treasure house of nature. S: People enjoy going into the forests either on foot or on a safari.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 77 Seconds

Options :

1. QPRS
2. QPSR
3. PSQR
4. QRPS

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. PSQR.



- According to the options, the paragraph either starts with P or Q.
- The paragraph cannot start with Q as it starts with a pronoun 'they'.
 - Only option 3 is left and it makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 12 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Honesty is a moral value that must be inculcated in childhood. Q: Through stories children can be exposed to the virtue of honesty, so that they can easily comprehend why dishonesty should be avoided, and how honesty is vital for life. R: The value then takes firm foundation and can see one through life. S: If the trait of dishonesty starts at a young age, it becomes a habit difficult to change.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. PRSQ
2. RSPQ
3. RPQS
4. QRPS

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. PRSQ.

1. According to the options, the paragraph cannot start with S as none of the options start with S.
2. The paragraph also cannot start with Q as it starts with 'though' which shows contradiction to a previous statement.
3. The paragraph also does not seem to start with R as the usage of 'the value' is not clear.
4. Option 1 makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. But more often than not, especially in a crowded metropolis, _____ you come across are wandering pedlars and small hawking stands, _____ something makeshift, easy to take _____ if need be, selling bananas, directing your attention towards a pile of chequered towels, a woman _____ weaving a pile of fragrant mogras into a string, _____ brewing hot tea and quickly frying a pile of hot bhajiyas for office commuters.

Question 13 :



in a crowded metropolis, _____ you come across

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 76 Seconds

Options :

1. what
2. when
3. where
4. whom

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. What.

- 'Where' and 'when' are not the appropriate words as they express place and time respectively.
- 'What' is used in the beginning of the sentence when there is no subject (antecedent).

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Silence is much more than the absence of sound; it is the _____ pre-existing entity in which God creates. It is the source to which all words return to _____ true meaning. Silence is the womb of the tangible world. In the Christian Biblical version of Creation, God 'spoke' and the world came into being. With the pronouncing of the Word, speech became primary, but silence remained _____. The heart of Christian meditation is to return to this primordial state of being. It is a journey from words into the creative word of God; this word is _____ by silence. By its very nature, silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

Question 14 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Therefore, these are products of the thinking by sages and not products of every man's nature. Q: A person's behaviour evolves through conscious evolution. R: When a potter pounds the clay and makes a vessel, it is the product of the artisan's activity, not of his nature. S: The sages observed activities and gathered ideas and thoughts, and thereafter introduced principles of propriety and righteousness and instituted laws and systems.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 107 Seconds

Options :

1. PQRS

PSQR

3. PRQS

4. QRSP

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. QRSP.

1. According to the options, the paragraph either starts with P or Q.
2. The paragraph cannot start with P as it starts with 'therefore' which shows a conclusion.
3. A conclusion comes at the end of the paragraph.
4. Only option 4 starts with Q and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 15 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Good role models in classrooms and in communities are the most important (1)/ part of getting educate as the actions and decisions (2)/ of role models impact the behaviour of others. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

Options :

1. 1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Part of getting educate as the actions and decisions.

The error lies in part 2 of the statement because of the wrong use of the verb.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'educate' with 'educated' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- 'Get' always takes the third form of verb after it.
- So we need to use 'educated' at the place of 'educate'.

The correct sentence will be-



Good role models in classrooms and in communities are the most important part of getting educated as the actions and decisions of role models impact the behaviour of others.

Question 16 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Judaism says spirituality is a process of personal (1)/ transformation, involving values and beliefs that (2)/ provides purpose and guidance for our living. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 72 Seconds****Options :**

1. 1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Provides purpose and guidance for our living.

The error lies in part 3 of the statement because of the wrong use of the verb.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'provides' with 'provide' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- 'Values and beliefs' requires a plural verb.
- So we need to use 'provide' at the place of 'provides'.

The correct sentence will be-

Judaism says spirituality is a process of personal transformation, involving values and beliefs that provide purpose and guidance for our living.

Question 17 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. In an imperfect world with not-so-perfect people and institutions, you have to play (1)/ your role the best you can, take as many as you can along with you, (2)/ with empathy and a bit of loving detachment. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 73 Seconds****Options :**

1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Your role the best you can, take as many as you can along with you.

The error lies in part 2 of the statement because of the superfluous use.

Concept-

- We need to remove 'along with you' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- 'Take as many as you can' refers to 'role' and hence 'along with you' is superfluous.

The correct sentence will be-

In an imperfect world with not-so-perfect people and institutions, you have to play your role the best you can, take as many as you can, with empathy and a bit of loving detachment.

Question 18 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. The aroma of the invigorate morning cup of tea comes (1)/ wafting up the stairway and soon I am (2)/ sipping it slowly and reverentially without rushing. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 74 Seconds

Options :

1. 1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The aroma of the invigorate morning cup of tea comes.

The error lies in part 1 of the statement because of the wrong use of the verb.

Concept-

We need to replace 'invigorate' with 'invigorating' to make the statement grammatically correct.

- 'Morning' is a noun which requires an adjective before it.
- V_4 i.e. 'invigorating' is used as an adjective.
- So we need to use 'invigorating' at the place of 'invigorate'.

The correct sentence will be-

The aroma of the invigorating morning cup of tea comes wafting up the stairway and soon I am sipping it slowly and reverentially without rushing.

Question 19 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Earth's resources have to be protected and sustain and we need to (1)/ share our resources across species as we all are (2)/ interconnected as one giant living organism. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 78 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Earth's resources have to be protected and sustain and we need to.

The error lies in part 1 of the statement because of the wrong use of the verb.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'sustain' with 'sustained' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- There is a requirement of V_3 after 'to be' as it is there in 'to be protected'.
- So we need to use 'sustained' at the place of 'sustain'.

The correct sentence will be-

Earth's resources have to be protected and sustained and we need to share our resources across species as we all are interconnected as one giant living organism.

Question 20 :



In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Gratitude is one of the more essential virtues for real (1)/ inner prosperity and happiness, because it (2)/ can connect us to the Divine. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 78 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Gratitude is one of the more essential virtues for real.

The error lies in part 1 of the statement because of the wrong use of the adjective.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'more' with 'most' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- The appropriate phrase is 'one of the most'.
- So we need to use 'most' at the place of 'more'.

The correct sentence will be-

Gratitude is one of the most essential virtues for real inner prosperity and happiness, because it can connect us to the Divine.

Question 21 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. The biggest problem faced by (1)/ all developing countries is the (2)/ lack of training manpower. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 69 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3

4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Lack of training manpower.

The error lies in part 3 of the statement because of the wrong use of the adjective.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'training' with 'trained' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- 'Training manpower' means 'manpower who is training', but the sentence requires 'manpower who is trained'.
- So we need to use 'trained' at the place of 'training'.

The correct sentence will be-

The biggest problem faced by all developing countries is the lack of trained manpower.

Question 22 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Critics of television often (1)/ focus on the prevalent of (2)/ violence in today's programmes. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 66 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Focus on the prevalent of.

The error lies in part 2 of the statement because of the different part of speech.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'prevalent' with 'prevalence' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- An article always takes a noun after it.
- So we need to use 'prevalence' at the place of 'prevalent'.

The correct sentence will be-



Critics of television often focus on the prevalence of violence in today's programmes.

Question 23 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Our school administration should seriously consider (1)/ given students more responsibility and empowering (2)/ the student council to play more than a symbolic role. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 67 Seconds****Options :**

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Given students more responsibility and empowering.

The error lies in part 2 of the statement because of the different form of the verb.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'given' with 'giving' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- 'And' takes the same forms of the verb before and after it.
- 'Giving' and 'empowering' are in the same form.
- So we need to use 'giving' at the place of 'given'.

The correct sentence will be-

Our school administration should seriously consider giving students more responsibility and empowering the student council to play more than a symbolic role.

Question 24 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Our school's faculty and administration should not (1)/ sacrifice high standards and regulations in order (2)/ to make students temporarily happy. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 74 Seconds****Options :**



1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. No error.

The sentence is already correct.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 25 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Trend-analysts experts specializes (1)/ in predicting what will (2)/ be in and what will be out. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 46 Seconds****Options :**

1. 1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Trend-analysts experts specializes.

The error lies in part 1 of the statement because of the wrong use of the verb.

- We need to replace 'specializes' with 'specialize' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- The subject 'experts' is plural and hence a plural verb is required.
- So we need to use 'specialize' at the place of 'specializes'.

The correct sentence will be-

Trend-analysts experts specialize in predicting what will be in and what will be out.

Question 26 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. One of the hazard of swimming (1)/ in the ocean is an unexpected (2)/ encounter with a jellyfish. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 66 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. One of the hazard of swimming.

The error lies in part 1 of the statement because of the wrong use of the verb.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'hazard' with 'hazards ' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- 'One of' is always followed by a plural noun.
- So we need to use 'hazards ' at the place of 'hazard'.

The correct sentence will be-

One of the hazards of swimming in the ocean is an unexpected encounter with a jellyfish.

Question 27 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Many of us have striving to produce (1)/ a blend of all cultures that seem (2)/ today to be in clash with one another. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. 1

2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Many of us have striving to produce.

The error lies in part 1 of the statement because of the wrong use of the verb.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'striving ' with 'strived' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- After 'have' only the third form of the verb is used.
- So we need to use 'strived' at the place of 'striving '.

The correct sentence will be-

Many of us have strived to produce a blend of all cultures that seem today to be in clash with one another.

Question 28 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. When the business is ran smoothly (1)/ directors are more than happy to pick an experienced insider, (2)/ who will continue along the present path. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 71 Seconds

Options :

1. 1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. When the business is ran smoothly.

The error lies in part 1 of the statement because of the wrong use of the verb.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'ran ' with 'running' to make the statement grammatically correct.

After 'is', V_4 is used.

- So we need to use 'running' at the place of 'ran '.

The correct sentence will be-

When the business is running smoothly directors are more than happy to pick an experienced insider, who will continue along the present path.

Question 29 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Scientists show that there is a curious (1)/ relationship among a lion's life span and (2)/ the pattern of spots on each side of its face. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 71 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Relationship among a lion's life span and.

The error lies in part 2 of the statement because of the wrong use of the preposition.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'among ' with 'between' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- For two things/persons, 'between' is used. Here, the two things are 'a lion's life span' and 'the pattern of spots on each side of its face'.
- So we need to use 'between' at the place of 'among '.

The correct sentence will be-

Scientists show that there is a curious relationship between a lion's life span and the pattern of spots on each side of its face.

Question 30 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Karnataka receives most of its annual rainfall during the monsoon, (1)/ whereas Tamil Nadu does not get much then (2)/ and it has to wait still the advent of northeast monsoon. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 80 Seconds****Options :**

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. And it has to wait still the advent of northeast monsoon.

The error lies in part 3 of the statement because of the different part of speech.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'still ' with 'until ' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- To mention 'up to (the point in time or the event mentioned)', 'until is used.
- So we need to use 'until ' at the place of 'still '.

The correct sentence will be-

Karnataka receives most of its annual rainfall during the monsoon, whereas Tamil Nadu does not get much then and it has to wait until the advent of northeast monsoon.

Question 31 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Education is a instrument which (1)/ imparts knowledge and, therefore (2)/ indirectly controls power. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 71 Seconds****Options :**

1. 1
2. 2



3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Education is a instrument which.

The error lies in part 1 of the statement because of the wrong use of the article.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'a' with 'an' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- 'Instrument' starts with a vowel sound so it must take 'an' before it.
- So we need to use 'an' at the place of 'a'.

The correct sentence will be-

Education is an instrument which imparts knowledge and, therefore indirectly controls power.

Question 32 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Progress in life depends (1)/ a good deal under crossing (2)/ one threshold after another. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 66 Seconds

Options :

1. 1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. A good deal under crossing.

The error lies in part 2 of the statement because of the wrong use of the preposition.

Concept-

- We need to place 'on' after 'depends' to make the statement grammatically correct.
- 'Depends' takes a fixed preposition 'on' after it.



So we need to use 'on' after 'depends'.

- We need to replace 'under' with 'by' as 'by' indicates the means of achieving something. In the sentence 'crossing one threshold after another' is the means of achieving something.

The correct sentence will be-

Progress in life depends on a good deal by crossing one threshold after another.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. India handled the problem of cat preying on goats, sheep, donkeys and other animals by roping _____ communities in conservation, and compensating them for any losses. An insurance programme in _____ residents of a part of Spiti Valley in Himachal Pradesh _____ also worked well. New research _____ that even when wild prey is available, the attacks on livestock by snow leopards have _____ been on the rise.

Question 33 :

other animals by roping _____ communities

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 87 Seconds

Options :

1. into
2. in
3. inside
4. on

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. In.

- This is based on the phrasal verb.
- 'Rope in' is a phrasal verb which means 'to persuade someone to help you do the task'.
- The remaining options do not make any phrasal verb when they are added to 'rope'.
- Moreover, 'rope in' makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 34 :

In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option. A learned man may be stupid for he knows only from books and not from his _____.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 57 Seconds

Options :

1. Experiences
2. Arbitration
3. Consequenced
4. Repercussions

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Experiences.

1. 'His' is a possessive adjective and therefore it requires a noun after it.
2. Out of the given options, option 3 is not a noun. The remaining options are nouns.
3. 'Repercussion' means 'bad result of an event'. Since no event is mentioned, option 4 is also eliminated.
4. 'Arbitration' means 'negotiation' which does not make a coherent sentence.
5. 'Experiences' is the appropriate word.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 35 :

In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option. Modern India has a secular constitution and _____ itself on being a secular country.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. Prides
2. Humiliates
3. Shy
4. Disgraces

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Prides.

1. The subject, 'India' is singular and therefore requires a singular verb.
2. Option 3 is eliminated as it is in plural form.
3. The required word must take 'on' after it as it is given in the sentence.



Only 'prides' takes 'on' after it.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 36 :

In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option. Education is not just for giving you livelihood but giving you the art of _____ wholly and joyously.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

Options :

1. Living
2. Leaving
3. Believing
4. Driving

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Living.

1. Since the sentence talks about the philosophy of life, 'leaving' and 'driving' are not appropriate here.
2. Out of 'living' and 'believing', 'living' makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 37 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word. MULTITUDE

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 43 Seconds

Options :

1. Scarcity
2. Minority
3. Mass
4. Radiant

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Mass.

1. **Multitude**: A large number of people or things.

- Synonyms: mass, crowd etc

2. **Scarcity**: The state of being scarce or in short supply; shortage

- Synonyms: shortage, dearth etc
- Antonyms: abundance, excess etc

3. **Minority**: The smaller number or part, especially a number or part representing less than half of the whole.

4. **Mass**: A large number of people or objects crowded together.

5. **Radiant**: Sending out light; shining or glowing brightly.

- Synonyms: bright, glowing etc
- Antonyms: dark, dull etc

As the chosen option expresses the same meaning of the given word it will be correct.

Question 38 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word. JADED

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. Restorative
2. Thrilled
3. Gay
4. Tired

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Tired.

1. **Jaded**: Physically tired; exhausted.

- Synonyms: tired, weary etc
- Antonyms: fresh

2. **Restorative**: Having the ability to restore health, strength, or well-being.

3. **Thrilled**: Cause (someone) to have a sudden feeling of excitement and pleasure.

Synonyms: stimulate, stimulate etc

- Antonyms: bore, boring etc

4. **Gay**: Light-hearted and carefree.

- Synonyms: cheerful, cheery etc
- Antonyms: gloomy

5. **Tired**: In need of sleep or rest; weary.

- Synonyms: exhausted, jaded etc
- Antonyms: energetic, fresh etc

As the chosen option expresses the same meaning of the given word it will be correct.

Question 39 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word. ABETTOR

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. **Accomplice**
2. **Adversary**
3. **Careless**
4. **Indolent**

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Accomplice.

1. **Abettor**- A person who encourages or assists someone to do something wrong, in particular, to commit a crime.
2. **Accomplice**- A person who helps another commit a crime.
3. **Adversary**- One's opponent in a contest, conflict, or dispute.
 - Synonyms: opponent, rival etc
 - Antonyms: ally, supporter etc
4. **Careless**- Not having sufficient attention or thought to avoiding harm or errors.
 - Synonyms: inattentive, forgetful etc
 - Antonyms: attentive, careful etc

5. **Indolent**- Wanting to avoid activity or exertion; lazy

- Synonyms: idle, inactive etc
- Antonyms: industrious, energetic etc

Since 'accomplice' holds the same meaning as 'abettor', it is the appropriate option.

Question 40 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the one which is opposite in meaning of the given word.
VAGRANT

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 70 Seconds

Options :

1. Idle
2. Roving
3. Settled
4. Wanderer

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Settled.

1. **Vagrant**- A person without a settled home or regular work who wanders from place to place and lives by begging.
2. **Idle**- (Of a person) avoiding work; lazy.
 - Synonyms: indolent, slothful etc.
 - Antonyms: industrious
3. **Roving**- Another term for rove.
4. **Settled**-A person having a settled home or regular work.
5. **Wanderer**- A person who travels aimlessly; a traveller.

Since 'settled' holds the opposite meaning of 'vagrant', it is the appropriate option.

Question 41 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the one which is opposite in meaning of the given word.
USURP



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. Restore
2. Encroach
3. Coup
4. Seize

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Restore.

1. **Usurp**- Take (a position of power or importance) illegally or by force.
2. **Restore**- Bring back or re-establish (a previous right, practice, or situation).
 - Synonyms: reinstate, replace etc
 - Antonyms: abolish
3. **Encroach**- Intrude on (a person's territory, rights, personal life etc)
4. **Coup**- A sudden, violent, and illegal seizure of power from a government.
 - Synonyms: overthrow, takeover etc
 - Antonyms: election
5. **Seize**- Take hold of suddenly and forcibly.
 - Synonyms- grab, grasp etc
 - Antonyms- let go of

Since 'restore' holds the opposite meaning of 'usurp' the chosen option is correct.

Question 42 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the one which is opposite in meaning of the given word.

QUASH

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. Support
2. Revoke



Annul

4. Cancel

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Support.

1. **Quash**- Put an end to; suppress.

- Synonyms: destroy, defeat etc.
- Antonyms: prompt.

2. **Support**- Give assistance to, especially financially.

- Synonyms: help, assist etc.
- Antonyms: oppose.

3. **Revoke**- Officially cancel (a decree, decision, or promise).

- Synonyms: annul, overrule etc.
- Antonyms: introduce, enact etc.

4. **Annul**- Declare invalid (an official agreement, decision, or result).

- Synonyms: nullify, cancel etc.
- Antonyms: restore, enact etc.

5. **Cancel**- Decide or announce that (a planned event) will not take place.

Since 'support' holds the opposite meaning of 'quash', it is the appropriate option.

Question 43 :

In the following question, four words have been given out of which one word is incorrectly spelt. Select the incorrectly spelt word.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. Fanaticism
2. Femininity
3. Flippant
4. Fortuitous

Solution :

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The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Fanaticism.

The correct spelling is 'Fanaticism'.

1. **Fanaticism**- The quality of being fanatical.
2. **Femininity**- Qualities or attributes regarded as characteristic of women.
3. **Flippant**- Not showing a serious or respectful attitude.
4. **Fortuitous**- Happening by chance rather than intention.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 44 :

In the following question, four words have been given out of which one word is incorrectly spelt. Select the incorrectly spelt word.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 50 Seconds

Options :

1. **Impecunous**
2. **Impudence**
3. **Incongruous**
4. **Indomitable**

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Impecunous.

The correct spelling is 'Impecunious'.

1. **Impecunious**- Having little or no money.
2. **Impudence**- The quality of being impudent; impertinence.
3. **Incongruous**- Not in harmony or keeping with the surroundings or other aspects of something.
4. **Indomitable**- Impossible to subdue or defeat.

Hence, the chosen word is correct.

Question 45 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. As fit as a fiddle



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 51 Seconds

Options :

1. Very aggressive
2. Uncomfortable
3. Selfish friend
4. Strong and healthy

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Strong and healthy.

The meaning of the idiom 'as fit as a fiddle' is 'strong and healthy'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 46 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Argus eyed

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 41 Seconds

Options :

1. Watching eagerly
2. Pretending not to see someone
3. Have as your objective
4. Vigilantly observant

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4 i.e. Vigilantly observant.**

The meaning of the idiom 'argus eyed' is 'Vigilantly observant'.

Example: 'Such Argus-eyed surveillance is now so widespread that criminals on television cover prying lenses or conduct their malefactions outside photographic range.'

As the meaning of the given idiom is the same as the chosen option it will be correct.

**Question 47 :**

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. To bid defiance

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 58 Seconds****Options :**

1. To remain firm or resolute
2. To show disobedience
3. To act in a unkempt manner
4. To feel great sadness for someone

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1 i.e. To remain firm or resolute**

The meaning of the given idiom is-

'**To bid defiance**' - 'To remain firm or resolute'.

As the meaning of the given idiom is the same as the chosen option it will be correct.

Question 48 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. With bated breath

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 51 Seconds****Options :**

1. In dispute
2. In anxiety
3. In full detail
4. In happy mood

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. In anxiety.

The meaning of the idiom 'with bated breath' is 'in anxiety'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 49 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. To clip one's wings

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 42 Seconds****Options :**

1. To be carried away
2. To restrict someone's freedom
3. To laugh secretly
4. To live within one's means

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. To restrict someone's freedom.

The meaning of the idiom 'to clip one's wings' is 'to restrict someone's freedom'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 50 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Cloven hoof

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 45 Seconds****Options :**

1. A difficult situation
2. The evil intention
3. Win approval
4. Additional success

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The evil intention.

The meaning of the idiom 'cloven hoof' is 'the evil intention'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 51 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Draconian law

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 40 Seconds****Options :**

1. Written law
2. Extremely harsh and repressive law
3. Bureaucratic rules and regulations which make things take longer than they should.
4. Moderate law

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2 i.e. Extremely harsh and repressive law.**

The meaning of the idiom 'draconian law' is 'extremely severe law'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 52 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. To fall flat

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 46 Seconds****Options :**

1. To flatter
2. To fall in love with someone
3. To have no effect
4. In a state where one does not know what to do

Solution :



The correct answer is **Option 3 i.e. To have no effect.**

The meaning of the idiom 'to fall flat' is 'to have no effect'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 53 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. To gird up the loins

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 47 Seconds

Options :

1. To act foolishly or inconsistently
2. To prepare oneself for action
3. To tackle a problem in a bold and direct fashion
4. To praise one's own trumpet achievement

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2 i.e. To prepare oneself for action.**

The meaning of the idiom 'to gird up the loins' is 'to prepare for hard work'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 54 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. High and mighty

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 49 Seconds

Options :

1. An important person
2. Bitterly hostile
3. Hopeful
4. Arrogant

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4 i.e. Arrogant.**



The meaning of the idiom 'high and mighty' is 'arrogant'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 55 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Very seldom do we actually go out and do something, which is beneficial to the society without thinking of our own side benefit of it. Q: This is something that we have been falling short of. R: Every society must develop in its people a social responsibility. S: We are very individualistic and don't relate ourselves to our society as such.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 60 Seconds

Options :

1. RQSP
2. QRSP
3. QSRP
4. QPRS

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. RQSP.

1. According to the options, the paragraph either starts with R or Q.
2. The paragraph does not appear to start with Q as it contains 'this'. The noun of 'this' is not mentioned here.
3. Since only one option remains, the sentence must start with R.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 56 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: "Health is Wealth" is a very old proverb however will be true forever for the humanity. Q: A healthy person can perform any task however; a wealthy person who is suffering from untreatable disease can never buy a good health. R: A healthy person (whether rich or poor) lives more happy and peaceful life than any rich person having a diseased body. S: It indicates a very clear meaning that health is more significant for a person than the wealth.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 73 Seconds

Options :

SQRP

2. QRPS

3. RPQS

4. PSQR

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. PSQR.

1. PS makes a logical pair as P contains the proverb and S contains its meaning.
2. Options 2 and 4 have P and S together.
3. The sequence of R and P is not logical.
4. Therefore, option 2 is eliminated.
5. Option 4 makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 57 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Until few years ago, people in India and several other underdeveloped and developing countries used to think that girls should stay at home, cook food and look after the kids and elderly. Q: Girls are undoubtedly an indispensable part of our society. R: But now the mindset has been changed; girls in India are bringing accolades to their parents and they are doing well in every field such as academics, sports, politics, etc. S: No society or culture can progress without the presence of girls.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 73 Seconds

Options :

1. RQPS

2. QRPS

3. QSPR

4. QPSR

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. QSPR.

1. According to the options, the paragraph either starts with R or Q.
2. The paragraph cannot start with R as it starts with 'but' which gives a contradiction to the earlier sentence.
3. QS makes a logical pair as they talk about the importance of girls.



PR also makes a logical pair as they talk about the right and empowerment of women.

5. Only option 3 fulfils the above conditions.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 58 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Our behavior and character speak of the morals and ethics that we live by. Q: Such persons follow their moral values whatever difficulty they may have to encounter in the process. R: They do not fear punishment and stay in a state of peace and contentment. S: A person who is righteous is one who has developed moral values and lives by them.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 74 Seconds

Options :

1. SQRP
2. QRPS
3. RPQS
4. PSQR

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. PSQR.

1. The paragraph cannot start with Q as it starts with 'such' which refers to some noun.
2. The paragraph cannot start with R as it starts with a pronoun 'they' which also refers to a noun.
3. R and P do not come together as they refer to different things.
4. Option 4 makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 59 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: If we manage our time effectively we can accomplish all the activities and tasks we wish to. Q: It is important that we draw up a time table that we can adopt practically. R: If we can stick to the time table we can then succeed in achieving our goals whether they are in the short term or long term. S: This requires drawing up a practicable time table.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 72 Seconds

Options :



QPRS

2. PSQR

3. SPQR

4. SQPR

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. PSQR.

1. According to the options, the paragraph does not start with R as none of the options start with R.
2. The paragraph also does not start with S as it starts with 'this'. This 'this' must be referring to some noun.
3. P must follow S as P talks about managing time and S talks about drawing a time table. And the management of time is a time table.
4. Option 2 fulfils the above condition and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 60 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Any leader asked to address the plenary session of the World Economic Forum at Davos has an opportunity to do two things. Q: The first is to pitch his (or her) country strongly to foreign companies and investors. R: The second is to build the brand of both the individual and the country by looking at issues and concerns beyond those that just concern his or her country. S: The world, after all, is sorely lacking in statesmen (and stateswomen) of global stature.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 82 Seconds

Options :

1. QPRS

2. RPQS

3. RQPS

4. PQRS

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. PQRS.

1. According to the options, the paragraph does not start with S as none of the options start with S.
2. Q cannot be the first sentence as 'the first' is not clear.
3. R cannot be the first sentence as 'the second' is not clear.



Only option 4 is left and it makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

QID : 253 - The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from

Question 61 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: World War I began in 1914, after the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand, and lasted until 1918. Q: Thanks to new military technologies and the horrors of trench warfare, World War I saw unprecedented levels of carnage and destruction. R: During the conflict, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire (the Central Powers) fought against Great Britain, France, Russia, Italy, Romania, Japan and the United States (the Allied Powers). S: By the time the war was over and the Allied Powers claimed victory, more than 16 million people – soldiers and civilians alike – were dead.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 89 Seconds

Options :

1. SPQR
2. SQPR
3. PRQS
4. PSQR

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. PRQS.

1. According to the options, the paragraph can start either with P or S.
2. The paragraph talks about war.
3. Out of P and S, the paragraph must start with P as first the war will begin and the people will die afterwards.
4. P talks about beginning of the war so it will be the first sentence.
5. S will be the last sentence as it talks about the ending of the war.
6. Option 3 fulfils the above conditions and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Republic Day of India is celebrated

every year on 26th of January. Q: A huge celebration event is organised annually in the national capital, New Delhi. R: It is celebrated at the Rajpath, India Gate before the President of India. S: A grand ceremonial parade of Indian army takes place at Rajpath to honour the Indian Flag.

Question 62 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Republic Day of India is celebrated every year on 26th of January. Q: A huge celebration event is organised annually in the national capital, New Delhi. R: It is celebrated at the Rajpath, India Gate before the President of India. S: A grand ceremonial parade of Indian army takes place at Rajpath to honour the Indian Flag.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 101 Seconds****Options :**

1. PQRS
2. SRQP
3. QRPS
4. QSRP

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. PQRS.

1. The sentence must start with P as it contains the topic of the paragraph.
2. Only option 1 starts with P.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Republic Day of India is celebrated every year on 26th of January. Q: A huge celebration event is organised annually in the national capital, New Delhi. R: It is celebrated at the Rajpath, India Gate before the President of India. S: A grand ceremonial parade of Indian army takes place at Rajpath to honour the Indian Flag.

Question 63 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: People celebrate it as a two-day festival; first day as Holika Dahan and second day as colourful Holi. Q: Holi is a religious Hindu festival celebrated with lots of preparations in the month of Phalgun. R: At Holika Dahan, they burn a heap of sticks, straws and cow-dung cakes lying in the mid of streets in the late evening or night. S: And, next day in the morning, they celebrate a colorful Holi by playing



colours with friends, family members and neighbours.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 91 Seconds

Options :

1. QPRS
2. PQRS
3. RPQS
4. QRPS

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. QPRS.

1. According to the options, the paragraph cannot start with S as none of the options start with S.
2. R also cannot be the first sentence as it contains a pronoun 'they'.
3. P also cannot be the first sentence as it contains a pronoun 'it'.
4. Only option 1 is left and it makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Republic Day of India is celebrated every year on 26th of January. Q: A huge celebration event is organised annually in the national capital, New Delhi. R: It is celebrated at the Rajpath, India Gate before the President of India. S: A grand ceremonial parade of Indian army takes place at Rajpath to honour the Indian Flag.

Question 64 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: As a result, people end up saving a considerable amount of money while also saving the planet. Q: Recycling your waste makes you more responsible in the way you use and dispose of it. R: It is evident from studies that people who do this instinctively cut down on buying unwanted things from the supermarket. S: They think of how to dispose of the packaging or the product after use before even buying it.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 98 Seconds

Options :

1. RQSP

SRQP

3. QRSP

4. QPRS

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. QRSP.

1. According to the options, the paragraph cannot start with P as none of the options start with P.
2. The paragraph also cannot start with S as it starts with a pronoun 'they'.
3. The paragraph also cannot start with R as it contains a pronoun 'this'.
4. So, the sentence must start with Q.
5. P should be the last sentence as it contains 'as a result' which shows a conclusion.
6. Option 3 fulfils the above condition and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. Religious architecture forms a major portion of India's built heritage. These structures are not only unwritten documents of history, they are also stamps of the might of the rulers who built them and articulations of grand visions. Secular and religious structures are products of their location – the material used to build them depended on what was available to the kings and workers at that time. They were also a reflection of the piety of the artisans and workers, for nothing else can explain the hard work that went into cutting through solid natural rock to carve out temples and spectacular sculptures. Rock-cut architecture never fails to awe me with all its majesty, precision, and intricate detail. The earliest rock-cut architecture is from the Mauryan dynasty, but the Ajanta caves, which I had visited a few decades ago and which left me awestruck, are among the earliest rock-cut temples. The Udayagiri caves, in Vidisha, Madhya Pradesh, are not as popular but they are worth a visit, for they contain some of the oldest Hindu temples and iconography. They were built during the Gupta period (350-550 CE). These caves were not just an expression of religious piety but also a political statement. They lie on two low sandstone hills between the rivers Betwa and Beas. It is possible that when these caves were carved out, they fell directly on the Tropic of Cancer and thus the name translates to Mount of Sunrise. On the day of summer solstice, the sun would have been directly overhead, making this a place of worship.

Question 65 :

What qualities of the architecture made the author to be awestruck while seeing them?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 135 Seconds

Options :

1. Its majesty



Its precision

3. Its intricate detail

4. All of these

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **All of these**.

- According to the passage, all of these qualities given in the options made the author to be awestruck.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We all experience and understand that the current times are not very safe in general. One has to be on a _____ guard against unfriendly elements. As we move towards the Golden Age on the planet, a _____ of negative forces have surfaced. It is by bringing them to the surface that the divine forces can put them to an end. It is like the _____ that surfaces when we boil sugar in water, which is ready to be removed from the top so that what we get is sugar solution _____ of all the impurities. This process of cleansing our planet by the universal forces, however, will take some time. Till then, we have to _____ these negativities around us.

Question 66 :

be on a _____ guard against

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

Options :

1. Constant
2. Varying
3. Fickle
4. Terminable

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Constant**.

- The passage says that the time is not good so people should avoid unfriendly elements.
- The avoiding should be always as if they discontinue it, they may be affected.
- Among the given options, option 1 provides an appropriate word.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We all experience and understand that the current times are not very safe in general. One has to be on a _____ guard against unfriendly elements. As we move towards the Golden Age on the planet, a _____ of negative forces have surfaced. It is by bringing them to the surface that the divine forces can put them to an end. It is like the _____ that surfaces when we boil sugar in water, which is ready to be removed from the top so that what we get is sugar solution _____ of all the impurities. This process of cleansing our planet by the universal forces, however, will take some time. Till then, we have to _____ these negativities around us.

Question 67 :

planet, a _____ of negative

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 84 Seconds****Options :**

1. Handful
2. Multitude
3. Portion
4. Little

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Multitude**.

- According to the passage, the time is not good.
- Since time is not good, there must be various negative forces.
- 'Multitude' means 'a large number of' and therefore makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We all experience and understand that the current times are not very safe in general. One has to be on a _____ guard against unfriendly elements. As we move towards the Golden Age on the planet, a _____ of negative forces have surfaced. It is by bringing them to the surface that the divine forces can put them to an end. It is like the _____ that surfaces when we boil sugar in water, which is ready to be removed from the top so that what we get is sugar solution _____ of all the impurities. This process of cleansing our planet by the universal forces, however, will take some time. Till then, we have to _____ these negativities around us.

Question 68 :

It is like the _____ that surfaces

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 83 Seconds

Options :

1. assets
2. base
3. scum
4. core

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **Scum**.

- The lines talk about the surface of the sugar solution.
- The surface lies on the top of the solution.
- 'Scum' means 'layer' or 'film' and therefore makes a coherent sentence as a layer lies on the top of the solution.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We all experience and understand that the current times are not very safe in general. One has to be on a _____ guard against unfriendly elements. As we move towards the Golden Age on the planet, a _____ of negative forces have surfaced. It is by bringing them to the surface that the divine forces can put them to an end. It is like the _____ that surfaces when we boil sugar in water, which is ready to be removed from the top so that what we get is sugar solution _____ of all the impurities. This process of cleansing our planet by the universal forces, however, will take some time. Till then, we have to _____ these negativities around us.

Question 69 :

sugar solution _____ of all the

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 86 Seconds

Options :

1. full
2. sufficient
3. sated
4. devoid

Solution :

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The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **Devoid**.

- The passage mentions 'cleansing' i.e. removing impurities.
- The required word should take 'of' after it as 'of' is given after the blank.
- Out of the given options, 'devoid' means 'without' and takes 'of' after it. Therefore fulfils the above conditions.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We all experience and understand that the current times are not very safe in general. One has to be on a _____ guard against unfriendly elements. As we move towards the Golden Age on the planet, a _____ of negative forces have surfaced. It is by bringing them to the surface that the divine forces can put them to an end. It is like the _____ that surfaces when we boil sugar in water, which is ready to be removed from the top so that what we get is sugar solution _____ of all the impurities. This process of cleansing our planet by the universal forces, however, will take some time. Till then, we have to _____ these negativities around us.

Question 70 :

we have to _____ these negativities

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 86 Seconds

Options :

1. refuse
2. throw away
3. shun
4. bear

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **Bear**.

- The passage says that unless the planet gets cleaned, we have to face the negativities.
- 'Shun' means 'avoid'.
- 'Refuse' means 'to deny'.
- Only option 4 provides the required meaning.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. If fantasies could be real, everyone might have wanted an _____ cut-off

point at which they could instantly block out all stress. But, a _____ restless mind and an ego that cannot take defeat make sure that we keep worrying about all kinds of difficulties, including the significant, _____ and even imaginary ones. No wonder, most of us are suffering from chronic stress. For a majority, there is no escape from stressful circumstances. We can't always shift cities, terminate relationships, resign from jobs, restrict social _____ and wait for ideal, stress-free conditions to come our way. But, we can change the way we _____ and deal with stress.

Question 71 :

wanted an _____ cut-off point

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

Options :

1. **inbuilt**
2. superficial
3. extrinsic
4. incidental

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **inbuilt**.

- The required word must start with a vowel sound as the blank is after 'an'.
- '**Superficial**' cannot be the appropriate answer as it starts with a consonant sound.
- '**Inbuilt**' means 'integral', 'natural', 'essential' etc.
- '**Extrinsic**' means 'external'.
- '**Incidental**' means 'minor'.
- According to the passage, 'inbuilt' makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. If fantasies could be real, everyone might have wanted an _____ cut-off point at which they could instantly block out all stress. But, a _____ restless mind and an ego that cannot take defeat make sure that we keep worrying about all kinds of difficulties, including the significant, _____ and even imaginary ones. No wonder, most of us are suffering from chronic stress. For a majority, there is no escape from stressful circumstances. We can't always shift cities, terminate relationships, resign from jobs, restrict social _____ and wait for ideal, stress-free conditions to come our way. But, we can change the way we _____ and deal with stress.

Question 72 :

But, a _____ restless mind



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 89 Seconds

Options :

1. **distantly**
2. **constantly**
3. **instantly**
4. **discrepantly**

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Constantly**.

- Since the passage talks about 'stress', it shows constant restlessness of mind.
- 'Discrepantly' means 'differently'.
- Among the given options, 'constantly' makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. If fantasies could be real, everyone might have wanted an _____ cut-off point at which they could instantly block out all stress. But, a _____ restless mind and an ego that cannot take defeat make sure that we keep worrying about all kinds of difficulties, including the significant, _____ and even imaginary ones. No wonder, most of us are suffering from chronic stress. For a majority, there is no escape from stressful circumstances. We can't always shift cities, terminate relationships, resign from jobs, restrict social _____ and wait for ideal, stress-free conditions to come our way. But, we can change the way we _____ and deal with stress.

Question 73 :

the significant, _____ and even

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 78 Seconds

Options :

1. **convivial**
2. **colluvial**
3. **trivial**
4. **diluvial**

Solution :

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The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **Trivial**.

1. '**Convivial**' means 'friendly'.
 2. '**Colluvial**' means 'sediments'.
 3. '**Trivial**' means 'unimportant' 'insignificant' etc.
 4. '**Diluvial**' means 'relating to floods'.
- The passage says that we worry about all kinds of difficulties. It may be significant or insignificant.
 - 'Trivial' provides the required meaning.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. If fantasies could be real, everyone might have wanted an _____ cut-off point at which they could instantly block out all stress. But, a _____ restless mind and an ego that cannot take defeat make sure that we keep worrying about all kinds of difficulties, including the significant, _____ and even imaginary ones. No wonder, most of us are suffering from chronic stress. For a majority, there is no escape from stressful circumstances. We can't always shift cities, terminate relationships, resign from jobs, restrict social _____ and wait for ideal, stress-free conditions to come our way. But, we can change the way we _____ and deal with stress.

Question 74 :

restrict social _____ and wait

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 86 Seconds

Options :

1. calibration
2. deception
3. enation
4. interaction

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **Interaction**.

1. '**Calibration**' means 'the process of correlating the readings of an instrument'.
2. '**Deception**' means 'fraud'.
3. '**Enation**' means 'an outgrowth from the surface of a plant'.
4. '**Interaction**' means 'communication'.

In society, we 'communicate' or 'interact' with people.

- Option 4 holds the required meaning.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. If fantasies could be real, everyone might have wanted an _____ cut-off point at which they could instantly block out all stress. But, a _____ restless mind and an ego that cannot take defeat make sure that we keep worrying about all kinds of difficulties, including the significant, _____ and even imaginary ones. No wonder, most of us are suffering from chronic stress. For a majority, there is no escape from stressful circumstances. We can't always shift cities, terminate relationships, resign from jobs, restrict social _____ and wait for ideal, stress-free conditions to come our way. But, we can change the way we _____ and deal with stress.

Question 75 :

the way we _____ and deal with

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 86 Seconds

Options :

1. contrive
2. restrive
3. archive
4. perceive

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **Perceive**.

1. '**Contrive**' means 'manufacture'.
2. '**Restrive**' means 'try hard'.
3. '**Archive**' means 'store'.
4. '**Perceive**' means 'view', 'consider', 'think' etc.

- The lines say that we can change the conditions the way we think.
- Option 4 holds the required meaning.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Silence is much more than the absence of sound; it is the _____ pre-



existing entity in which God creates. It is the source to which all words return to _____ true meaning. Silence is the womb of the tangible world. In the Christian Biblical version of Creation, God 'spoke' and the world came into being. With the pronouncing of the Word, speech became primary, but silence remained _____. The heart of Christian meditation is to return to this primordial state of being. It is a journey from words into the creative word of God; this word is _____ by silence. By its very nature, silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

Question 76 :

Fill in the given blank: it is the _____ pre-existing

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 87 Seconds

Options :

1. **autonomous**
2. enormous
3. disastrous
4. acrimonious

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Autonomous**.

1. 'Autonomous' means '(of a country or religion) having the freedom to govern itself or control its own affairs.'
2. 'Enormous' means 'huge'.
3. 'Disastrous' means 'harmful'.
4. 'Acrimonious' means 'bitter'.
5. Since the passage is spiritual, option 1 provides the appropriate word.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Silence is much more than the absence of sound; it is the _____ pre-existing entity in which God creates. It is the source to which all words return to _____ true meaning. Silence is the womb of the tangible world. In the Christian Biblical version of Creation, God 'spoke' and the world came into being. With the pronouncing of the Word, speech became primary, but silence remained _____. The heart of Christian meditation is to return to this primordial state of being. It is a journey from words into the creative word of God; this word is _____ by silence. By its very nature, silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

Question 77 :

Fill in the given blank: all words return to _____ true meaning

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 86 Seconds****Options :**

1. abstain
2. attain
3. detain
4. blain

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Attain**.

1. 'Abstain' means 'restrain oneself from doing something'.
2. 'Attain' means 'achieve', 'reach' etc.
3. 'Detain' means 'delay'.
4. 'Blain' means 'an inflamed swelling or sore on the skin'.
5. The passage says all words reach or achieve their true meaning.
6. Option 2 holds the required word.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Silence is much more than the absence of sound; it is the _____ pre-existing entity in which God creates. It is the source to which all words return to _____ true meaning. Silence is the womb of the tangible world. In the Christian Biblical version of Creation, God 'spoke' and the world came into being. With the pronouncing of the Word, speech became primary, but silence remained _____. The heart of Christian meditation is to return to this primordial state of being. It is a journey from words into the creative word of God; this word is _____ by silence. By its very nature, silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

Question 78 :

Fill in the given blank: but silence remained _____.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 86 Seconds****Options :**

1. ambrosial
2. celestial
3. primordial

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altricial

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **Primordial**.

1. 'Ambrosial' means 'pertaining to or worthy of gods'.
2. 'Celestial' means 'heavenly'.
3. 'Primordial' means 'ancient', 'earliest', 'first' etc.
4. 'Altricial' means '(of a young bird or other animal) hatched or born in an undeveloped state and requiring care and feeding by the parents'.
5. The passage says that the silence came before speech. It means silence is the first to come.
6. Option 3 holds the required word.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Silence is much more than the absence of sound; it is the _____ pre-existing entity in which God creates. It is the source to which all words return to _____ true meaning. Silence is the womb of the tangible world. In the Christian Biblical version of Creation, God 'spoke' and the world came into being. With the pronouncing of the Word, speech became primary, but silence remained _____. The heart of Christian meditation is to return to this primordial state of being. It is a journey from words into the creative word of God; this word is _____ by silence. By its very nature, silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

Question 79 :

Fill in the given blank: this word is _____ by silence.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 93 Seconds

Options :

1. open
2. showcased
3. picturised
4. enveloped

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **Enveloped**.

1. The passage says that the word of God is hidden. It is covered by silence.
2. 'Enveloped' makes a coherent sentence.



Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Silence is much more than the absence of sound; it is the _____ pre-existing entity in which God creates. It is the source to which all words return to _____ true meaning. Silence is the womb of the tangible world. In the Christian Biblical version of Creation, God 'spoke' and the world came into being. With the pronouncing of the Word, speech became primary, but silence remained _____. The heart of Christian meditation is to return to this primordial state of being. It is a journey from words into the creative word of God; this word is _____ by silence. By its very nature, silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

Question 80 :

Fill in the given blank: silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

Options :

1. adaptable
2. equitable
3. irritable
4. unexploitable

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **Unexploitable**.

1. 'Equitable' means 'fair and impartial'.
2. Silence may have various meanings. Its exact meaning is not known and therefore nobody can derive benefit from it.
3. Among the given options, 'unexploitable' is the appropriate word.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Silence is much more than the absence of sound; it is the _____ pre-existing entity in which God creates. It is the source to which all words return to _____ true meaning. Silence is the womb of the tangible world. In the Christian Biblical version of Creation, God 'spoke' and the world came into being. With the pronouncing of the Word, speech became primary, but silence remained _____. The heart of Christian meditation is to return to this primordial state of being. It is a journey from words into the creative word of God; this word is _____ by silence. By its very nature, silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

**Question 81 :**

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: The word 'media' is derived from the word medium, signifying mode or carrier. Q: Media is intended to reach and address a large target group or audience. R: In today's world, media becomes as essential as our daily needs. S: The word was first used in respect of books and newspapers i.e. print media and with the advent of technology, media now encompasses television, movies, radio and internet.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 108 Seconds****Options :**

1. PSQR
2. SPQR
3. SQRP
4. SRQP

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. PSQR.

1. According to the options, the paragraph either starts with S or P.
2. The paragraph cannot start with S as it starts with 'the word' which is not clear.
3. Only option 1 starts with P and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Silence is much more than the absence of sound; it is the _____ pre-existing entity in which God creates. It is the source to which all words return to _____ true meaning. Silence is the womb of the tangible world. In the Christian Biblical version of Creation, God 'spoke' and the world came into being. With the pronouncing of the Word, speech became primary, but silence remained _____. The heart of Christian meditation is to return to this primordial state of being. It is a journey from words into the creative word of God; this word is _____ by silence. By its very nature, silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

Question 82 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: When you read a book you are focusing your attention on the conceptual ideas in the book. Q: Self awareness is developed through practices in focusing your attention on the details of your personality and behavior which isn't learned from reading a book. R: You can develop an



intellectual understanding of the ideas of self awareness from a book, but this is not the same. S: With your attention in a book you are practicing not paying attention to your own behavior, emotions and personality.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 113 Seconds

Options :

1. SQPR
2. QPSR
3. PQRS
4. PRSQ

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. QPSR.

1. According to the passage, the paragraph cannot start with R.
2. P and S will come after Q as P and S hold the reason for the statement given in Q.
3. Option 2 fulfils the above condition and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Silence is much more than the absence of sound; it is the _____ pre-existing entity in which God creates. It is the source to which all words return to _____ true meaning. Silence is the womb of the tangible world. In the Christian Biblical version of Creation, God 'spoke' and the world came into being. With the pronouncing of the Word, speech became primary, but silence remained _____. The heart of Christian meditation is to return to this primordial state of being. It is a journey from words into the creative word of God; this word is _____ by silence. By its very nature, silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

Question 83 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Yoga is one of the ancient art forms which was originated in India thousand years ago. Q: It is the connection of individual Soul to the Divine soul. R: It is a Sanskrit word derived from Yuj which means to Unite in its ordinary sense. S: It's a system of mental and physical discipline which controls the mind and the body.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 106 Seconds

Options :

QPRS

2. PRQS

3. SQPR

4. SPQR

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. PRQS.

1. Except for P, all other sentences start with a pronoun 'it' and it refers to 'yoga'.
2. Therefore, the paragraph must start with P.
3. Only option 2 starts with P.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Silence is much more than the absence of sound; it is the _____ pre-existing entity in which God creates. It is the source to which all words return to _____ true meaning. Silence is the womb of the tangible world. In the Christian Biblical version of Creation, God 'spoke' and the world came into being. With the pronouncing of the Word, speech became primary, but silence remained _____. The heart of Christian meditation is to return to this primordial state of being. It is a journey from words into the creative word of God; this word is _____ by silence. By its very nature, silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

Question 84 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Banks, which garner the lion's share of retail debt allocations, pegged down their term deposit interest rates with alacrity by 200-250 basis points between 2014 and 2016 as market rates fell. Q: Indian savers have made a decisive shift from real to financial assets in recent years prompted by policy nudges and sluggish gold and property markets. R: But they have been tardy in passing on the rate increases of the past year. S: But while umpteen new equity-linked options have sprung up on their menu – MFs, NPS, market linked insurance plans – there's a notable dearth of debt options.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 114 Seconds

Options :

1. SRQP
2. SPQR
3. QSPR

QRSP**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. QSPR.

1. According to the options, the paragraph either starts with S or Q.
2. The paragraph cannot start with S as it starts with 'but' which is used to contradict the previous statement.
3. R will come after P as the passing on the rates is done by banks, not people.
4. 2 fulfills the above condition.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Silence is much more than the absence of sound; it is the _____ pre-existing entity in which God creates. It is the source to which all words return to _____ true meaning. Silence is the womb of the tangible world. In the Christian Biblical version of Creation, God 'spoke' and the world came into being. With the pronouncing of the Word, speech became primary, but silence remained _____. The heart of Christian meditation is to return to this primordial state of being. It is a journey from words into the creative word of God; this word is _____ by silence. By its very nature, silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

Question 85 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Most often, the things in this list are forgotten by us or taken for granted, as we continue to interact with the world on a daily basis. Q: The gratitude list is a list of those things that we have and that we are grateful for. R: A simple gratitude list would go thus: I am grateful for being alive, that I have a roof over my head and can afford two square meals, that I have work, that I am earning, that I don't have any major disease etc. S: This list is endless, and we can all keep adding our own small or big personal items to the list.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 124 Seconds

Options :

1. PQRS
2. QPRS
3. PRQS
4. PQSR

Solution :



The correct answer is option 2 i.e. QPRS.

1. According to the options, the paragraph either starts with P or Q.
2. The paragraph cannot start with P as it contains 'this' which is not mentioned here.
3. Only option 2 starts with Q and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Silence is much more than the absence of sound; it is the _____ pre-existing entity in which God creates. It is the source to which all words return to _____ true meaning. Silence is the womb of the tangible world. In the Christian Biblical version of Creation, God 'spoke' and the world came into being. With the pronouncing of the Word, speech became primary, but silence remained _____. The heart of Christian meditation is to return to this primordial state of being. It is a journey from words into the creative word of God; this word is _____ by silence. By its very nature, silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

Question 86 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: Modern medicine has scored significant victories against both, and the major causes of ill health and death are now the chronic degenerative diseases, such as coronary artery disease, arthritis, osteoporosis, Alzheimer's, macular degeneration, cataract and cancer. Q: It follows that the majority of apparently healthy people are pre-ill. R: Throughout human history the leading causes of death have been infection and trauma. S: These have a long latency period before symptoms appear and a diagnosis is made.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 110 Seconds

Options :

1. RPSQ
2. PRQS
3. PSQR
4. QRSP

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. RPSQ.

1. According to the options, the paragraph cannot start with S.
2. The paragraph also does not start with P as it contains 'both' which is not clear here.
3. S will come after P as S contains 'these' which is used for the names of the diseases.
4. Option 4 fulfils the above condition and makes a coherent paragraph.



Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Silence is much more than the absence of sound; it is the _____ pre-existing entity in which God creates. It is the source to which all words return to _____ true meaning. Silence is the womb of the tangible world. In the Christian Biblical version of Creation, God 'spoke' and the world came into being. With the pronouncing of the Word, speech became primary, but silence remained _____. The heart of Christian meditation is to return to this primordial state of being. It is a journey from words into the creative word of God; this word is _____ by silence. By its very nature, silence is _____, often purposeless and for that reason very frightening.

Question 87 :

The question below consists of a set of labelled sentences. These sentences, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Select the most logical order of sentences from among the options. P: The incidence and severity of Type B malnutrition will be shown to be worse if newer micronutrient groups such as the essential fatty acids, xanthophylls and flavonoids are included in the surveys. Q: Commonly ingested levels of these micronutrients seem to be far too low in many developed countries. R: Many national surveys reveal that malnutrition is common in developed countries. S: This is not the calorie and/or micronutrient deficiency associated with developing nations (Type A malnutrition); but multiple micronutrient depletion, usually combined with calorific balance or excess (Type B malnutrition).

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 120 Seconds

Options :

1. SPQR
2. PRQS
3. RSPQ
4. RQSP

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. RSPQ.

1. According to the options, the paragraph cannot start with Q.
2. The sentence also does not start with S as it starts with a pronoun 'this'.
3. PQ makes logical pair as P contains the name of the micronutrients and Q contains a pronoun 'these' for them.
4. Option 3 fulfils the above condition and akes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 88 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. Fear



of pain

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. Mysophobia
2. Algophobia
3. Acrophobia
4. Homophobia

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Algophobia.

1. **Mysophobia**- Fear of contamination and germs.
2. **Algophobia**- Fear of pain.
3. **Acrophobia**- Fear of heights.
4. **Homophobia**- Dislike of or prejudice against homosexual people.

Hence, 'algophobia' best substitutes the phrase 'fear of pain'.

Question 89 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. 200th anniversary.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 46 Seconds

Options :

1. Quadriennial
2. Bicentennial
3. Quinquennial
4. Bimillennial

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Bicentennial.

1. **Quadriennial**- Recurring every four years.



2. **Bicentennial**- 200 th anniversary.

3. **Quinquennial**- Recurring every five years.

4. **Bimillennial**- A period of two thousand years.

Hence, bicentennial best substitutes the phrase '200 th anniversary'.

Question 90 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. A short story with a moral

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 47 Seconds

Options :

1. Wobble
2. Parable
3. Scramble
4. Affable

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Parable.

1. **Wobble**- An unsteady movement from side to side.
2. **Parable**- A short story with a moral.
3. **Scramble**- Ant act of scratching or scrambling for something.
4. **Affable**- Friendly.

Hence, 'parable' is the best substitutes of the phrase 'A short story with a moral'.

Question 91 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. Dress with medals, ribbons worn at official ceremony

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 51 Seconds

Options :

1. Penicillia
2. Penetralia

Regalia

4. Basophilia

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Regalia.

1. **Penicillia**- A blue mould that is common on food.
2. **Penetralia**- The innermost parts of a building; a secret or hidden place.
3. **Regalia**- Dress with medals, ribbons worn at official ceremony.
4. **Basophilia**- It is a condition of having an ample amount of basophils in the venous blood.

Hence, 'regalia' is the best substitutes of the phrase 'dress with medals, ribbons worn at official ceremony'.

Question 92 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. Extreme or indefinite to be adequately described

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. **Ostensible**
2. **Indescribable**
3. **Impressionable**
4. **Conceivable**

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Indescribable.

- 1) **Ostensible**- Stated or appearing to be true, but not necessarily so.
- 2) **Indescribable**- Extreme or indefinite to be adequately described.
- 3) **Impressionable**- Easily influenced.
- 4) **Conceivable**- Capable of being imagined or grasped mentally.

Hence, 'indescribable' is the best substitute for the phrase 'extreme or indefinite to be adequately described'.

Question 93 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. The



state of being deprived of a right or privilege, especially the right to vote.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 54 Seconds

Options :

1. Abolishment
2. Disenfranchisement
3. Abandonment
4. Abatement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Disenfranchisement.

- 1) **Abolishment**- The process of formally putting an end to.
- 2) **Disenfranchisement**- The state of being deprived of a right or privilege, especially the right to vote.
- 3) **Abandonment**- The action or fact of abandoning or being abandoned.
- 4) **Abatement**- The action of abating or being abated; ending or subsiding.

Hence, 'disenfranchisement' is the best substitute for the phrase 'the state of being deprived of a right or privilege, especially the right to vote.'

Question 94 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. Assembly or parliament in which no party has got clear majority.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. Clung
2. Hung
3. Pung
4. Dung

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Hung.

- 1) **Clung**- Past and past participle of 'cling' meaning 'hold on tightly to'.



2) **Hung**- Assembly or parliament in which no party has got clear majority.

3) **Pung**- It is a low, box sleigh that is drawn by a horse.

4) **Dung**- The excrement of animals; manure.

Hence, 'hung' is the best substitute of the phrase 'Assembly or parliament in which no party has got clear majority'.

Question 95 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. Belonging to middle class.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

Options :

1. Chamois
2. Turquoise
3. Bourgeois
4. Envious

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Bourgeois.

1) **Chamois**- An agile goat-antelope with short hooked horns.

2) **Turquoise**- A greenish-blue colour.

3) **Bourgeois**- Belonging to middle class.

4) **Envious**- Feeling or showing envy.

Hence, 'bourgeois' is the best substitute for the phrase 'belonging to middle class.'.

Question 96 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. A formal expression of praise for someone who has died.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 50 Seconds

Options :

1. Orology
2. Eulogy

Cytology

4. Misology

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Eulogy.

- 1) **Orology**- Study of mountains.
- 2) **Eulogy**- A formal expression of praise for someone who has died.
- 3) **Cytology**- The branches of biology and medicine concerned with the structure and function of plant and animal cells.
- 4) **Misology**- The hatred of reasoning; the revulsion or distrust of logical debate, argumentation, or the Socratic method.

Hence, 'eulogy' is the best substitute for the phrase 'A formal expression of praise for someone who has died'.

Question 97 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. One who dies without will.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 57 Seconds****Options :**

1. Abdicate
2. Intestate
3. Fortunate
4. Desperate

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Intestate.

- 1) **Abdicate**- (Of a monarch) renounce one's throne.
- 2) **Intestate**- One who dies without will.
- 3) **Fortunate**- Favoured by or involving good luck; lucky.
- 4) **Desperate**- (Of a person) having a great need or desire for something.

Hence, 'intestate' is the best substitute for the phrase 'one who dies without will'.

Question 98 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.



Systematic study of election trends.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. Archaeology
2. Psephology
3. Entomology
4. Eschatology

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Psephology.

- 1) **Archaeology**- The study of human history and prehistory.
- 2) **Psephology**- Systematic study of election trends.
- 3) **Entomology**- The branch of zoology concerned with the study of insects.
- 4) **Eschatology**- The branch of theology concerned with death, judgement, and the final destiny of the soul and of humankind.

Hence, 'psephology' is the best substitute for the phrase 'systematic study of election trends.'

Question 99 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. A statement which is accepted as true without proof.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. Elegy
2. Axiom
3. Agenda
4. Almanac

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Axiom.

- 1) **Elegy**- (In modern literature) a poem of serious reflection, typically a lament for the dead.



2) **Axiom**- A statement which is accepted as true without proof.

3) **Agenda**- A list of items to be discussed at a formal meeting.

4) **Almanac**- An annual calendar containing important dates and statistical information such as astronomical data and tide tables.

Hence, 'axiom' is best substitute for the phrase 'A statement which is accepted as true without proof.'

Question 100 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The granaries of India are trapped in a dangerous vicious cycle of input use, where increased dumping of fertiliser in the wrong combinations (has rendered) the soil incapable of regenerating itself, which in turn escalates input use.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. have rendered
2. is rendered
3. had render
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. No improvement.

1. The sentence is already correct because the subject is 'dumping' which is singular.
2. A Singular subject needs a singular verb
3. After 'has/have/had', only the third form of verb is used.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 101 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. Mixed cropping should be encouraged both as a (hedge for) price risk and for its ecological benefits.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 46 Seconds

Options :

1. hedge against
2. hedge of



hedge in

4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Hedge against.

- 'Hedge' takes a fixed preposition 'against' after it.

The correct sentence will be-

Mixed cropping should be encouraged both as a hedge against price risk and for its ecological benefits.

Question 102 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The Centre can't afford to procrastinate any further (at) framing rules to regulate the trading and use of bitcoin and other virtual currencies.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 46 Seconds

Options :

1. on
2. under
3. of
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. On.

- We need to use 'on' in place of 'at'.
- To indicate the basis of something, 'on' is used.

The correct sentence will be-

The Centre can't afford to procrastinate any further on framing rules to regulate the trading and use of bitcoin and other virtual currencies.

Question 103 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The telecom sector is the backbone to the Digital India vision and it deserves



an (enabled) regulatory environment.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 51 Seconds

Options :

1. enabling
2. enable
3. able
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Enabling.

- We need to replace 'enabled' with 'enabling'.
- 'Enabling regulatory environment' means 'regulatory environment which is enabling something or someone'.
- 'Enabled regulatory environment' means 'regulatory environment which is enabled by something or someone'.

The correct sentence will be-

The telecom sector is the backbone to the Digital India vision and it deserves an enabling regulatory environment.

Question 104 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. Bull markets, John Templeton said, are born on pessimism, grow on scepticism, mature on optimism and (die for) euphoria.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. die on
2. die at
3. die above
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Die on.

- We need to replace 'for' with 'on'.
- 'Die on' means 'to die while in someone's care or while in someone's presence, as of a person or other living thing.'



The correct sentence will be-

Bull markets, John Templeton said, are born on pessimism, grow on scepticism, mature on optimism and die on euphoria.

Question 105 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The Chairman (send in) all the right signals and we can only hope that his trip will result in rich dividends.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. send out
2. sent of
3. sent out
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Sent out.

- We need to replace 'send' with 'sent'.
- 'Chairman' is a singular subject and hence it will take the singular verb in the present tense.
- In the past tense, all subjects take V_2 only.
- So, 'chairman' will take either 'sends' or 'sent'.
- 'Send out' means 'to cause (a signal) to go out'.

The correct sentence will be-

The Chairman sent out all the right signals and we can only hope that his trip will result in rich dividends.

Question 106 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. It is revealing that the gender divide in cognition levels worsens with rise in age, as girls are often compelled to (drop in) of school for a variety of reasons.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. drop at
2. drop out
3. drop of



No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Drop out.

- We need to replace 'in' with 'out'.
- 'Drop out' means 'abandon a course of study'.
- 'Drop in' means 'call informally and briefly as a visitor'.
- The sentence talks about abandoning study.

The correct sentence will be-

It is revealing that the gender divide in cognition levels worsens with rise in age, as girls are often compelled to drop out of school for a variety of reasons.

Question 107 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. There is a compelling case for privatising the airline and freeing (locked at) funds for education and health.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. locked of
2. locked on
3. locked up
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Locked up.

- We need to 'at' with 'up'.
- 'Lock up' means 'shut and secure'.
- The sentence talks about the funds which were secured.

The correct sentence will be-

There is a compelling case for privatising the airline and freeing locked up funds for education and health.

Question 108 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. This idea of the impossible (became) even more relevant when we come to the individual, who might consider certain accomplishments impossible without realising that with persistent effort



and determination they could be achieved.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. becoming
2. becomes
3. was became
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Becomes.

- We need to replace 'became' with 'becomes'.
- The entire sentence is in the present tense and hence 'becomes' is appropriate.

The correct sentence will be-

This idea of the impossible becomes even more relevant when we come to the individual, who might consider certain accomplishments impossible without realising that with persistent effort and determination they could be achieved.

Question 109 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. Once you emerge as an individual, it is important to realise that your freedom has an impact (on) others.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. at
2. for
3. in
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. No improvement.

'Impact' takes a fixed preposition 'on' after it.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Question 110 :**

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. Our destiny is always and only in our own hands – (inspite) all apparent evidence which may indicate otherwise.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 39 Seconds****Options :**

1. despite in
2. despite of
3. despite
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Despite.

- We need to replace 'in spite' with 'despite'.
- Either we use 'in spite of' or 'despite'.
- Both hold the same meaning.

The correct sentence will be-

Our destiny is always and only in our own hands – despite all apparent evidence which may indicate otherwise.

Question 111 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The real principle behind love is to see the (underlied) divine consciousness in everything.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 48 Seconds****Options :**

1. underlying
2. underlay
3. underlie
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Underlying.

- We need to replace 'underlied' with 'underlying'

To express continuity, V_4 is used.

The correct sentence will be-

The real principle behind love is to see the underlying divine consciousness in everything.

Question 112 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. Scientists (have developed) an “organ-on-a-chip” platform to study how drugs are transported across the human placental barrier.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 45 Seconds

Options :

1. have develop
2. has developed
3. is develop
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. No improvement.

- A plural subject needs a plural verb.
- After 'have/has/had', only the third form of the verb is used.
- The sentence already fulfils the above conditions.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 113 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. I (have done) my exercises when keshav came to see me.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 44 Seconds

Options :

1. had done
2. done
3. doing
4. No improvement

Solution :



The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Had done.

- We need to replace 'have' with 'had'.
- Since 'came' is in the past tense, we need to use the past form of 'have'.

The correct sentence will be-

I had done my exercises when keshav came to see me.

Question 114 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The student of human history can draw on many more natural experiments (than) just comparisons among the five inhabited continents.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 47 Seconds

Options :

1. to
2. of
3. for
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. No improvement.

- A comparative degree takes 'than' after it.
- Since 'more' is a comparative degree, it takes 'than' after it.
- The sentence already fulfils the above condition.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 115 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. Our biological knowledge of even some of the commonest animals is (embarrassed) slight and it is here that zoos can be of inestimable value in amassing information.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 47 Seconds

Options :

1. embarrass
2. embarrassingly
3. embarrassing



No improvement

Solution :

the correct answer is option 2 i.e. embarrassingly.

- We need to replace 'embarrassed' with 'embarrassingly'.
- Before an adjective, an adverb is used.
- Since 'slight' is an adjective, it will take an adverb before it.
- Among the options, 'embarrassingly' is an adverb.

The correct sentence will be-

Our biological knowledge of even some of the commonest animals is embarrassingly slight and it is here that zoos can be of inestimable value in amassing information.

Question 116 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. Woodrow Wilson was referring to the liberal idea of the economic market when he said that the free enterprise system is the (much) efficient economic system.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 57 Seconds

Options :

1. most
2. many
3. mere
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Most.

- We need to replace 'much' with 'most'.
- For comparison 'more' or 'most' is used.
- Since the comparison is among all the economic system, 'most' will be appropriate.

The correct sentence will be-

Woodrow Wilson was referring to the liberal idea of the economic market when he said that the free enterprise system is the most efficient economic system.

Question 117 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. In the eighteenth century, Japan's feudal overlords, from the shogun to the



humblest samurai, found themselves (on) financial stress.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. of
2. for
3. under
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Under.

- We need to replace 'on' with 'under'.
- To show that something is below something, 'under' is used.
- Since 'overlords' found themselves below the financial stress, 'under' is appropriate.

The correct sentence will be-

In the eighteenth century, Japan's feudal overlords, from the shogun to the humblest samurai, found themselves under financial stress.

Question 118 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The feminist criticism (has become) a political discourse; a critical and theoretical practice committed to the struggle against patriarchy and sexism.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 51 Seconds

Options :

1. have becoming
2. has became
3. became
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. No improvement.

- A singular subject takes a singular verb.
- After 'has/have/had', only V₃ is used.



The sentence already fulfils the above conditions.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 119 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The communities of ants are sometimes very large, (numbered) even upto 500 individuals: and it is a lesson to us that no one has ever yet seen quarrel between any two ants belonging to the same community.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 50 Seconds

Options :

1. number
2. numerous
3. numbering
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Numbering.

- We need to replace 'numbered' with 'numbering'.
- Since the sentence is in the present tense, 'numbering' is appropriate.

The correct sentence will be-

The communities of ants are sometimes very large, numbering even upto 500 individuals: and it is a lesson to us that no one has ever yet seen quarrel between any two ants belonging to the same community.

Question 120 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. Higher crude oil prices have doubtlessly provided a significant fiscal boost in the past several months, although any (flair on) going forward can lead to a price spiral that would have other untoward consequences as well.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :



flair in

2. flare at

3. flare up

4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Flare up.

- We need to replace 'flair on' with 'flare up'.
- 'Flare up' means 'a sudden outburst of something' which makes a coherent sentence.
- 'Flair' means 'style' and it does not take 'on' after it.

The correct sentence will be-

Higher crude oil prices have doubtlessly provided a significant fiscal boost in the past several months, although any flare up going forward can lead to a price spiral that would have other untoward consequences as well.

Comprehension :

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Question 121 :

Why was the author considered as solitary walker in Galway by the guide Billy Murray?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 175 Seconds

Options :

1. Because of the bad weather that day.
2. Because the author hardly use to mingle up with the people around.
3. As the author was left behind by her friend who accompanied her to this tour.
4. The author always preferred to travel all alone.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Because of the bad weather that day.**

- According to the passage, the author was considered as solitary walker in Galway by the guide Billy Murray because others had stayed away because of the dismal weather.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

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Question 122 :

What kind of nature is reflected of the author from the first line of the second para of the passage?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 177 Seconds****Options :**

1. She is very optimistic and lively person.
2. She is very dull and boring.
3. She is very aggressive.
4. She is always satisfied with whatever she gets in life.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **She is very optimistic and lively person.**

- The first line of the second para of the passage is 'It seems there are quite a few local residents who are vegetarian and more are exploring this choice'.
- 'A few' shows optimism. The author showed his optimism by saying that people were opting for vegetarian food.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

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Question 123 :

Why was just Lighthouse Cafe recommended to the author to have lunch at?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 175 Seconds

Options :

1. It serves tasty food.
2. It was close to the author's hotel.
3. It has good ambience.
4. It serves vegetarian food only and the author was also vegetarian.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **It serves vegetarian food only and the author was also vegetarian.**

- Just Lighthouse Cafe was recommended to the author to have lunch at because it serves vegetarian food only and the author was also vegetarian.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

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Question 124 :

What was liked by the author in the restaurant – The Lighthouse Cafe?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 169 Seconds****Options :**

1. The lotus flower in the cafe.
2. The dog in the cafe.
3. The vegetarian food there.
4. All of these

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **All of these**.

- According to the passage, the author liked everything which are mentioned in the three options.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

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Question 125 :

What kind of ambience was there inside the Lighthouse Cafe?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 161 Seconds

Options :

1. Peaceful and soothing
2. Full of loud music and dance
3. Not lively at all
4. Overcrowded and lot of mismanagement was there.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Peaceful and soothing**.

- According to the passage, ambience was inside the Lighthouse Cafe was peaceful and soothing.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. The Russian doping scandal continues to cast a long shadow over international sport as the 2018 Winter Olympics begin in Pyeong Chang, South Korea, on February 9. In December, the International Olympic Committee banned Russia from competing in the Games following investigation into an alleged state-sponsored doping programme at the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia. The decision to ban Russia came after the IOC's Disciplinary Commission, headed by former president of the Swiss Confederation Samuel Schmid, confirmed "systemic manipulation of the anti-doping rules and system in Russia". The IOC had stated, however, that clean Russian athletes would be allowed to compete as neutrals and last month invited 169 of them – each to be known as Olympic Athlete from Russia (OAR) – to participate in the Pyeong Chang Games. The announcement did not go down well outside Russia, even though the IOC declared that "more than 80%" of those athletes had not competed in Sochi and had been carefully vetted. That the OAR will form one of the largest

contingents at the Games, although there will be no place for the Russian flag and anthem, makes the 'ban' seem a bit of a farce. Further, Russian athletes could be allowed to march under their own flag at the closing ceremony if they comply with the IOC's conditions during the Games. There is a sense that the IOC is not able to punish a sporting superpower like Russia.

Question 126 :

Where was the Winter Olympic 2014 held?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 115 Seconds

Options :

1. Pyeong Chang, South Korea
2. Sochi, Russia
3. Vancouver, Canada
4. Turin, Italy

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e **Sochi, Russia**.

- According to the passage, the Winter Olympic 2014 held in Sochi, Russia.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. The Russian doping scandal continues to cast a long shadow over international sport as the 2018 Winter Olympics begin in Pyeong Chang, South Korea, on February 9. In December, the International Olympic Committee banned Russia from competing in the Games following investigation into an alleged state-sponsored doping programme at the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia. The decision to ban Russia came after the IOC's Disciplinary Commission, headed by former president of the Swiss Confederation Samuel Schmid, confirmed "systemic manipulation of the anti-doping rules and system in Russia". The IOC had stated, however, that clean Russian athletes would be allowed to compete as neutrals and last month invited 169 of them – each to be known as Olympic Athlete from Russia (OAR) – to participate in the Pyeong Chang Games. The announcement did not go down well outside Russia, even though the IOC declared that "more than 80%" of those athletes had not competed in Sochi and had been carefully vetted. That the OAR will form one of the largest contingents at the Games, although there will be no place for the Russian flag and anthem, makes the 'ban' seem a bit of a farce. Further, Russian athletes could be allowed to march under their own flag at the closing ceremony if they comply with the IOC's conditions during the Games. There is a sense that the IOC is not able to punish a sporting superpower like Russia.

Question 127 :



Why is Russia banned to compete in Winter Olympics 2018?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 113 Seconds

Options :

1. Due to manipulation of the anti doping rules in Winter Olympics, 2014.
2. Because of misbehaviour of Russian players with other team's players.
3. As Russian players are not fit enough to take the pressure of Olympic games held on such a big platform.
4. As Russia is in some war with South Korea where the games are to be played.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Due to manipulation of the anti doping rules in Winter Olympics, 2014.**

- According to the passage, Russia is banned to compete in Winter Olympics 2018 due to manipulation of the anti doping rules.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. The Russian doping scandal continues to cast a long shadow over international sport as the 2018 Winter Olympics begin in Pyeong Chang, South Korea, on February 9. In December, the International Olympic Committee banned Russia from competing in the Games following investigation into an alleged state-sponsored doping programme at the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia. The decision to ban Russia came after the IOC's Disciplinary Commission, headed by former president of the Swiss Confederation Samuel Schmid, confirmed "systemic manipulation of the anti-doping rules and system in Russia". The IOC had stated, however, that clean Russian athletes would be allowed to compete as neutrals and last month invited 169 of them – each to be known as Olympic Athlete from Russia (OAR) – to participate in the Pyeong Chang Games. The announcement did not go down well outside Russia, even though the IOC declared that "more than 80%" of those athletes had not competed in Sochi and had been carefully vetted. That the OAR will form one of the largest contingents at the Games, although there will be no place for the Russian flag and anthem, makes the 'ban' seem a bit of a farce. Further, Russian athletes could be allowed to march under their own flag at the closing ceremony if they comply with the IOC's conditions during the Games. There is a sense that the IOC is not able to punish a sporting superpower like Russia.

Question 128 :

Why does ban on Russian flag and anthem during Winter Olympic Games 2018 seem a bit of a farce?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 133 Seconds

Options :

1. Because Russian Athletes will be one of the largest team to compete in the games.
2. The games are organized in Russia only.
3. Russia has always played these games legally and ethically.
4. Russian players are best in the world when comes to playing in Olympics.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Because Russian Athletes will be one of the largest team to compete in the games.**

- According to the passage, ban on Russian flag and anthem during Winter Olympic Games 2018 seems a bit of a farce because Russian Athletes will be one of the largest team to compete in the games.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. The Russian doping scandal continues to cast a long shadow over international sport as the 2018 Winter Olympics begin in Pyeong Chang, South Korea, on February 9. In December, the International Olympic Committee banned Russia from competing in the Games following investigation into an alleged state-sponsored doping programme at the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia. The decision to ban Russia came after the IOC's Disciplinary Commission, headed by former president of the Swiss Confederation Samuel Schmid, confirmed "systemic manipulation of the anti-doping rules and system in Russia". The IOC had stated, however, that clean Russian athletes would be allowed to compete as neutrals and last month invited 169 of them – each to be known as Olympic Athlete from Russia (OAR) – to participate in the Pyeong Chang Games. The announcement did not go down well outside Russia, even though the IOC declared that "more than 80%" of those athletes had not competed in Sochi and had been carefully vetted. That the OAR will form one of the largest contingents at the Games, although there will be no place for the Russian flag and anthem, makes the 'ban' seem a bit of a farce. Further, Russian athletes could be allowed to march under their own flag at the closing ceremony if they comply with the IOC's conditions during the Games. There is a sense that the IOC is not able to punish a sporting superpower like Russia.

Question 129 :

How is it evident from the passage that IOC is not able to punish a sporting superpower like Russia fully?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 134 Seconds

Options :

1. Russian flag will be a part of opening ceremony of Olympics Games.



Russian athletes will be allowed to march under their flag at the closing ceremony of the games.

3. Russian athletes are being given special treatment at the games as compared to those of other countries.
4. None of these

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Russian athletes will be allowed to march under their flag at the closing ceremony of the games.**

- According to the passage, it is evident that IOC is not able to punish a sporting superpower like Russia fully because Russian athletes will be allowed to march under their flag at the closing ceremony of the games.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

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Question 130 :

When did the decision come to ban Russia in Winter Olympic Games 2018?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 136 Seconds

Options :

1. It was after IOC's head confirmed systematic manipulation of the anti doping rules and system in Russia in Winter Olympics Games 2014.



It was after examining Russia athletics who didn't qualify the rules for the games to play.

3. It was after the Russia which argued special treatment to be given to its players during the games.
4. It was when Russia complained of bad weather of South Korea where the games have begun.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **It was after IOC's head confirmed systematic manipulation of the anti doping rules and system in Russia in Winter Olympics Games 2014.**

- According to the passage, the decision came to ban Russia in Winter Olympic Games 2018 after IOC's head confirmed systematic manipulation of the anti doping rules and system in Russia in Winter Olympics Games 2014.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. Religious architecture forms a major portion of India's built heritage. These structures are not only unwritten documents of history, they are also stamps of the might of the rulers who built them and articulations of grand visions. Secular and religious structures are products of their location – the material used to build them depended on what was available to the kings and workers at that time. They were also a reflection of the piety of the artisans and workers, for nothing else can explain the hard work that went into cutting through solid natural rock to carve out temples and spectacular sculptures. Rock-cut architecture never fails to awe me with all its majesty, precision, and intricate detail. The earliest rock-cut architecture is from the Mauryan dynasty, but the Ajanta caves, which I had visited a few decades ago and which left me awestruck, are among the earliest rock-cut temples. The Udayagiri caves, in Vidisha, Madhya Pradesh, are not as popular but they are worth a visit, for they contain some of the oldest Hindu temples and iconography. They were built during the Gupta period (350-550 CE). These caves were not just an expression of religious piety but also a political statement. They lie on two low sandstone hills between the rivers Betwa and Beas. It is possible that when these caves were carved out, they fell directly on the Tropic of Cancer and thus the name translates to Mount of Sunrise. On the day of summer solstice, the sun would have been directly overhead, making this a place of worship.

Question 131 :

From what all materials the kings in the past used to build beautiful architectures?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 149 Seconds

Options :

1. The material that was available to the kings and workers at that time.
2. Special kind of raw material was asked to be produced by the people by the king to build these architectures.

Most of the material was imported from outside India by the kings.

4. None of these

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **The material that was available to the kings and workers at that time.**

- According to the passage, the material that was available to the kings and workers at that time was used to build beautiful architectures in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

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Question 132 :

The earliest rock-cut architecture is from which dynasty?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 134 Seconds

Options :

1. Mauryan
2. Gupta
3. Chola
4. Satvahana

Solution :



The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Mauryan**.

- According to the passage, the earliest rock-cut architecture is from which dynasty the Mauryan dynasty.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

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Question 133 :

Why Udayagiri caves are worth a visit?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 115 Seconds

Options :

1. Because they contain some of the oldest Hindu temples and iconography.
2. Because they are built in Gupta period.
3. Because they don't take much time to see them completely.
4. Because they have reverence for our ancestors.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Because they contain some of the oldest Hindu temples and iconography**.

- According to the passage, Udayagiri caves are worth a visit because they contain some of the oldest Hindu temples and iconography.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Comprehension :**

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Question 134 :

Why the caves of Vidisha got its name as Udayagiri – Mount of Sunrise?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 130 Seconds****Options :**

1. It is because the day of winter solstice, the sun is directly overhead to the caves.
2. It is because when the rock was carved out of these caves, it fell onto Tropic of Cancer.
3. It is because Gupta had deep reverence for Sun god.
4. None of these

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **It is because when the rock was carved out of these caves, it fell onto Tropic of Cancer.**

- According to the passage, the caves of Vidisha got its name as Udayagiri – Mount of Sunrise because when the rock was carved out of these caves, it fell onto Tropic of Cancer.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. Malnutrition affects millions of people worldwide and is responsible for one-fifth of deaths in children under the age of five. Children can



also experience impaired cognitive development and stunted growth. According to Finlay and UBC PhD student Eric Brown, malnutrition can be difficult to treat because it affects the good bacteria that lives in the gut. People suffering from malnutrition often show signs of a disease known as environmental enteropathy, which is an inflammatory disorder of the small intestine and is likely caused by ingesting pathogenic fecal bacteria early in life from a contaminated environment. This shifts the balance of the original healthy bacteria in the gut and leads to poor absorption of nutrients. The study, published in Nature Communications, explains how the research team developed a mouse model to reproduce the symptoms of environmental enteropathy and malnourishment. "We were able to see how a malnourished diet has a strong, measurable impact on the microbes in the small intestine," said Brown. "This new model gives us the opportunity to examine the impact of malnutrition on gut microbiology and assess the role of infections." Pathogenic bacterial infections like salmonella and E. coli are huge problems in developing countries because they are much more harmful to people suffering from malnutrition, leading to chronic diarrhea and inflammation. "Treatments and vaccines created in developed nations and tested on healthy people often don't work in malnourished populations," said Finlay, distinguished professor at UBC's Peter Wall Institute for Advanced Studies. "People suffering from malnutrition respond differently." With an animal model, Finlay said researchers will be better able to test treatments and understand how malnutrition impacts a child's development.

Question 135 :

Why malnutrition is difficult to be treated?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 142 Seconds****Options :**

1. As it is a communicable disease.
2. No vaccine is available for it.
3. People don't consider malnutrition a serious problem at all.
4. As it affects the good bacteria in the gut.

Solution :**The correct answer is option 4 i.e. As it affects the good bacteria in the gut.**

According to the passage, malnutrition is difficult to be treated as it affects the good bacteria in the gut.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. Malnutrition affects millions of people worldwide and is responsible for one-fifth of deaths in children under the age of five. Children can also experience impaired cognitive development and stunted growth. According to Finlay and UBC PhD student Eric Brown, malnutrition can be difficult to treat because it affects the good bacteria that lives in the gut. People suffering from



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Question 136 :

Which of the following statement is true about enteropathy?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 131 Seconds****Options :**

1. It is an inflammatory disorder of the small intestine.
2. It enlarges the large intestine.
3. It occurs in early forties.
4. It is caused due to the consumption of contaminated water.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. It is an inflammatory disorder of the small intestine.

According to the passage, enteropathy is an inflammatory disorder of the small intestine.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. Malnutrition affects millions of people worldwide and is responsible for one-fifth of deaths in children under the age of five. Children can also experience impaired cognitive development and stunted growth. According to Finlay and UBC PhD student Eric Brown, malnutrition can be difficult to treat because it affects the good bacteria that lives in the gut. People suffering from malnutrition often show signs of a disease known as environmental enteropathy, which is an inflammatory disorder of the small intestine and is likely caused by ingesting pathogenic fecal bacteria early in life from a contaminated environment.

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Question 137 :

According to the passage, what has a strong impact on the microbes in the small intestine?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 131 Seconds****Options :**

1. Malnourished diet
2. Salmonella
3. E. coli
4. Vitamin C

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Malnourished diet.

According to the passage, a malnourished diet has a strong impact on the microbes in the small intestine.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. Malnutrition affects millions of people worldwide and is responsible for one-fifth of deaths in children under the age of five. Children can also experience impaired cognitive development and stunted growth. According to Finlay and UBC PhD student Eric Brown, malnutrition can be difficult to treat because it affects the good bacteria that lives in the gut. People suffering from malnutrition often show signs of a disease known as environmental enteropathy, which is an inflammatory disorder of the small intestine and is likely caused by ingesting pathogenic fecal bacteria early in life from a contaminated environment. This shifts the balance of the original healthy bacteria in the gut and leads to poor absorption of nutrients. The study, published in Nature Communications, explains how the research team developed a mouse model to reproduce the



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Question 138 :

According to the passage, which chronic disease is caused by malnutrition in developing countries?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 124 Seconds****Options :**

1. Diarrhea
2. Asthma
3. Diabetes
4. Cancer

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Diarrhea.

According to the passage, diarrhea is caused by malnutrition in developing countries.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. Malnutrition affects millions of people worldwide and is responsible for one-fifth of deaths in children under the age of five. Children can also experience impaired cognitive development and stunted growth. According to Finlay and UBC PhD student Eric Brown, malnutrition can be difficult to treat because it affects the good bacteria that lives in the gut. People suffering from malnutrition often show signs of a disease known as environmental enteropathy, which is an inflammatory disorder of the small intestine and is likely caused by ingesting pathogenic fecal bacteria early in life from a contaminated environment. This shifts the balance of the original healthy bacteria in the gut and leads to poor absorption of nutrients. The study, published in Nature Communications, explains how the research team developed a mouse model to reproduce the symptoms of environmental enteropathy and malnourishment. "We were able to see how a malnourished diet has a strong, measurable impact on the microbes in the small intestine," said Brown. "This new model gives us the opportunity to

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Question 139 :

Which factor is responsible for the vaccines that don’t work on people from developing countries as compared to those of developed nations?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 124 Seconds****Options :**

1. Malnutrition
2. Water
3. Environment
4. Economic

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Malnutrition.

According to the passage, malnutrition is responsible for the vaccines that don’t work on people from developing countries as compared to those of developed nations.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. India handled the problem of cat preying on goats, sheep, donkeys and other animals by roping _____ communities in conservation, and compensating them for any losses. An insurance programme in _____ residents of a part of Spiti Valley in Himachal Pradesh _____ also worked well. New research _____ that even when wild prey is available, the attacks on livestock by snow leopards have _____ been on the rise.

Question 140 :

An insurance programme in _____ residents of a part

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 67 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. which
2. what
3. when
4. whereas

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Which.

- The passage does not talk about time, therefore 'when' is eliminated.
- The passage also does not show comparison, therefore 'whereas' is eliminated.
- 'What' is used when we do not have the subject (antecedent).
- 'Which' is the appropriate word.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. India handled the problem of cat preying on goats, sheep, donkeys and other animals by roping _____ communities in conservation, and compensating them for any losses. An insurance programme in _____ residents of a part of Spiti Valley in Himachal Pradesh _____ also worked well. New research _____ that even when wild prey is available, the attacks on livestock by snow leopards have _____ been on the rise.

Question 141 :

Himachal Pradesh _____ also worked well.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 70 Seconds

Options :

1. participation
2. participate
3. participated
4. participative

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Participated.



'Residents' require a verb.

- The passage is in the past tense.
- Therefore, 'participated' makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. India handled the problem of cat preying on goats, sheep, donkeys and other animals by roping _____ communities in conservation, and compensating them for any losses. An insurance programme in _____ residents of a part of Spiti Valley in Himachal Pradesh _____ also worked well. New research _____ that even when wild prey is available, the attacks on livestock by snow leopards have _____ been on the rise.

Question 142 :

New research _____ that even when

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 64 Seconds

Options :

1. indicates
2. indicate
3. indication
4. indicatable

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Indicates.

- 'Research' is a singular subject and requires a singular verb after it.
- Out of the options. only options 1 and 2 are verbs.
- 'Indicates' is appropriate as it is singular.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

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leopards have _____ been on the rise.

Question 143 :

snow leopards have _____ been on the rise.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 68 Seconds****Options :**

1. cumulative
2. cumulateness
3. cumulatively
4. cumulation

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Cumulatively.

- 'Cumulatively' means 'taken as a whole' in combination'.
- Here 'attacks' have been mentioned.
- The passage says that the attacks in combination are rising.
- Also between two verbs i.e. 'have' and 'been', only an adverb can be placed.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. But more often than not, especially in a crowded metropolis, _____ you come across are wandering pedlars and small hawking stands, _____ something makeshift, easy to take _____ if need be, selling bananas, directing your attention towards a pile of chequered towels, a woman _____ weaving a pile of fragrant mogras into a string, _____ brewing hot tea and quickly frying a pile of hot bhajiyas for office commuters.

Question 144 :

small hawking stands, _____ something makeshift,

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 70 Seconds****Options :**

1. usual
2. usually



usualness

4. as usual

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Usually.

- The passage gives a general description of hawkers and local markets.
- Since 'makeshift' is an adjective here, we need to place an adverb before it.
- Among the given options, only 'usually' is an adverb.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. But more often than not, especially in a crowded metropolis, _____ you come across are wandering pedlars and small hawking stands, _____ something makeshift, easy to take _____ if need be, selling bananas, directing your attention towards a pile of chequered towels, a woman _____ weaving a pile of fragrant mogras into a string, _____ brewing hot tea and quickly frying a pile of hot bhajiyas for office commuters.

Question 145 :

easy to take _____ if need be,

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. a part
2. partly
3. a partial
4. apart

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Apart.

- The passage says that the hawking stands are made temporary so that they can be separated whenever needed.
- 'Take apart' is a phrasal verb meaning 'to separate something into different parts that it is made of'.
- 'Apart' makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :



In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. But more often than not, especially in a crowded metropolis, _____ you come across are wandering pedlars and small hawking stands, _____ something makeshift, easy to take _____ if need be, selling bananas, directing your attention towards a pile of chequered towels, a woman _____ weaving a pile of fragrant mogras into a string, _____ brewing hot tea and quickly frying a pile of hot bhajiyas for office commuters.

Question 146 :

a woman _____ weaving a pile of fragrant mogras

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 71 Seconds****Options :**

1. deft
2. deftly
3. deftness
4. deftest

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Deftly.

- 'Weaving' is a verb.
- To describe a verb, an adverb is required.
- Among the given options, only 'deftly' is an adverb.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. But more often than not, especially in a crowded metropolis, _____ you come across are wandering pedlars and small hawking stands, _____ something makeshift, easy to take _____ if need be, selling bananas, directing your attention towards a pile of chequered towels, a woman _____ weaving a pile of fragrant mogras into a string, _____ brewing hot tea and quickly frying a pile of hot bhajiyas for office commuters.

Question 147 :

into a string, _____ brewing hot tea

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 65 Seconds****Options :**

another

2. other
3. another's
4. others

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Another.

- 'Another' is used to refer to an additional person or thing of the same type as one already mentioned; one more.
- 'Other' is used to refer to a person or thing that is different from one already mentioned.
- The passage says that one woman is weaving mogras into a string and one more woman is brewing tea.
- 'Another' makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. The elusive and charismatic snow leopard has lost its endangered status in the Red List of the International Union for Conservation of Nature, causing genuine worry among wildlife biologists, who believe this sends out the wrong signal to those working to protect it. If the argument for a downgrade to vulnerable status from endangered is that conservation actions have reduced the threat to the cat, there is an equally persuasive response on how little scientists know about its population health, given its remote habitat in the alpine zones of the Himalayas and transHimalayas. As a major range country, India has worked to protect these animals, and even launched a programme on the lines of Project Tiger for its conservation, covering 128,757 sq. km of habitat in Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim and Arunachal Pradesh. There is also an upcoming international collaborative effort, the Global Snow Leopard and Ecosystem Protection Program, involving the countries that make up the range of this graceful animal. It is vital that this momentum should not be lost merely on account of the technicality that the estimated numbers have crossed the threshold for an 'endangered' classification, which is 2,500. If anything, studies on its vulnerability have to be intensified, and the task of monitoring its entire habitat of high mountains speeded up.

Question 148 :

Which countries will be involved in the collaboration to protect the snow leopard?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 117 Seconds

Options :

1. Member countries of International Union for Conservation of Nature
2. Countries which are financing the project to conserve the snow leopard



Same countries which participated in Project Tiger

4. Countries where the snow leopard is found

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Countries where the snow leopard is found.

According to the passage, countries where the snow leopard is found will be involved in the collaboration to protect the snow leopard.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. The elusive and charismatic snow leopard has lost its endangered status in the Red List of the International Union for Conservation of Nature, causing genuine worry among wildlife biologists, who believe this sends out the wrong signal to those working to protect it. If the argument for a downgrade to vulnerable status from endangered is that conservation actions have reduced the threat to the cat, there is an equally persuasive response on how little scientists know about its population health, given its remote habitat in the alpine zones of the Himalayas and transHimalayas. As a major range country, India has worked to protect these animals, and even launched a programme on the lines of Project Tiger for its conservation, covering 128,757 sq. km of habitat in Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim and Arunachal Pradesh. There is also an upcoming international collaborative effort, the Global Snow Leopard and Ecosystem Protection Program, involving the countries that make up the range of this graceful animal. It is vital that this momentum should not be lost merely on account of the technicality that the estimated numbers have crossed the threshold for an 'endangered' classification, which is 2,500. If anything, studies on its vulnerability have to be intensified, and the task of monitoring its entire habitat of high mountains speeded up.

Question 149 :

Why do the scientists find it difficult to study the snow leopard?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 113 Seconds

Options :

1. Due to governmental restrictions
2. Due to its remote habitat
3. Due to lack of funding
4. Due to its nocturnal habits

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Due to its remote habitat.



According to the passage, the scientists find it difficult to study the snow leopard due to its remote habitat.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. The elusive and charismatic snow leopard has lost its endangered status in the Red List of the International Union for Conservation of Nature, causing genuine worry among wildlife biologists, who believe this sends out the wrong signal to those working to protect it. If the argument for a downgrade to vulnerable status from endangered is that conservation actions have reduced the threat to the cat, there is an equally persuasive response on how little scientists know about its population health, given its remote habitat in the alpine zones of the Himalayas and transHimalayas. As a major range country, India has worked to protect these animals, and even launched a programme on the lines of Project Tiger for its conservation, covering 128,757 sq. km of habitat in Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim and Arunachal Pradesh. There is also an upcoming international collaborative effort, the Global Snow Leopard and Ecosystem Protection Program, involving the countries that make up the range of this graceful animal. It is vital that this momentum should not be lost merely on account of the technicality that the estimated numbers have crossed the threshold for an 'endangered' classification, which is 2,500. If anything, studies on its vulnerability have to be intensified, and the task of monitoring its entire habitat of high mountains speeded up.

Question 150 :

The snow leopards habitat overlaps all these states except _____.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 107 Seconds

Options :

1. Uttarakhand
2. Sikkim
3. Arunachal Pradesh.
4. Uttar Pradesh

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Uttar Pradesh.

According to the paragraph, The snow leopards habitat overlaps all these states except Uttar Pradesh.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. The elusive and charismatic snow leopard has lost its endangered status in the Red List of the International Union for Conservation of

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Question 151 :

Why did the snow leopard lose its 'endangered' status?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 102 Seconds****Options :**

1. Due to increase in its habitat area
2. Due to disagreement between wildlife experts
3. Due to inability in counting its population
4. Due to rise in its numbers

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Due to rise in its numbers.

According to the paragraph, the snow leopard lost its 'endangered' status due to rise in its numbers.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. The elusive and charismatic snow leopard has lost its endangered status in the Red List of the International Union for Conservation of Nature, causing genuine worry among wildlife biologists, who believe this sends out the wrong signal to those working to protect it. If the argument for a downgrade to vulnerable status from endangered is that conservation actions have reduced the threat to the cat, there is an equally persuasive response on how little scientists know about its population health, given its remote habitat in the alpine zones of the Himalayas and transHimalayas. As a major range country, India has worked to protect these animals, and even launched a programme on the lines of Project Tiger for its conservation, covering 128,757 sq. km of habitat in Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim and Arunachal Pradesh. There is

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Question 152 :

On what factor is the classification of a species decided?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 109 Seconds

Options :

1. How critical that species is in the food web
2. Its population
3. Its habitat
4. On expert opinion

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Its population.

According to the paragraph, the classification of a species is decided on its population.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. As the 23rd conference of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change in Bonn shifts into high gear, developing countries including India are focussing on the imperatives of ensuring adequate financing for mitigation and adaptation. They are moving ahead with specific instruments for loss and damage they suffer due to destructive climate-linked events. India's progress in reducing the intensity of its greenhouse gas emissions per unit of GDP by 20-25% from 2005 levels by 2020, based on the commitment made in Copenhagen in 2009, has been positive. Early studies also suggest that it is on track to achieve the national pledge under the 2015 Paris Agreement for a 33-35% cut in emissions intensity per unit of growth from the same base year (2015) by 2030, and thus heed the 2°C global warming goal. Since this performance is predicated on a growth rate of just over 7%, and the parallel target for 40% share of renewable energy by that year (2030), the national road map is clear. What is not, however, is the impact of extreme weather events such as droughts and floods that would have a bearing on economic growth. It is in this context that the rich countries must give up their rigid approach towards the demands of low and middle income countries, and come to an early resolution on the question of financing of mitigation, adaptation and compensation. Of course, India could further raise its ambition in the use of green technologies and emissions cuts, which would give it the mantle of global climate leadership.

Question 153 :

The rich and the poor countries have not yet agreed on which issue?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 115 Seconds****Options :**

1. The time frame by which each country should achieve their climate goals
2. The amount of acceptable rise in global temperature
3. How to fund the costs for mitigation, adaptation and compensation
4. The share of renewables in energy generation

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3 i.e. How to fund the costs for mitigation, adaptation and compensation.**

- According to the paragraph, the rich and the poor countries have not yet agreed on the issue that how to fund the costs for mitigation, adaptation and compensation.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. As the 23rd conference of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change in Bonn shifts into high gear, developing countries including India are focussing on the imperatives of ensuring adequate financing for mitigation and adaptation. They are moving ahead with specific instruments for loss and damage they suffer due to destructive climate-linked events. India's progress in reducing the intensity of its greenhouse gas emissions per unit of GDP by 20-25% from 2005 levels by 2020, based on the commitment made in Copenhagen in 2009, has been positive. Early studies also suggest that it is on track to achieve the national pledge under the 2015 Paris Agreement for a 33-35% cut in emissions intensity per unit of growth from the same base year (2015) by 2030, and thus heed the 2°C global warming goal. Since this performance is predicated on a growth rate of just over 7%, and the parallel target for 40% share of renewable energy by that year (2030), the national road map is clear. What is not, however, is the impact of extreme weather events such as droughts and floods that would have a bearing on economic growth. It is in this context that the rich countries must give up their rigid approach towards the demands of low and middle income countries, and come to an early resolution on the question of financing of mitigation, adaptation and compensation. Of course, India could further raise its ambition in the use of green technologies and emissions cuts, which would give it the mantle of global climate leadership.

Question 154 :

What is the Paris Agreement's central aim?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 126 Seconds**

Options :

1. To keep rise in global temperature below 2°C
2. To compel rich countries to give up their rigid approach
3. Force developing countries to be more ambitious in their emission cuts
4. The world should have atleast 40% energy from renewables

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1 i.e. To keep rise in global temperature below 2°C.**

- According to the passage, the Paris Agreement's central aim is to keep rise in global temperature below 2°C.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. As the 23rd conference of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change in Bonn shifts into high gear, developing countries including India are focussing on the imperatives of ensuring adequate financing for mitigation and adaptation. They are moving ahead with specific instruments for loss and damage they suffer due to destructive climate-linked events. India's progress in reducing the intensity of its greenhouse gas emissions per unit of GDP by 20-25% from 2005 levels by 2020, based on the commitment made in Copenhagen in 2009, has been positive. Early studies also suggest that it is on track to achieve the national pledge under the 2015 Paris Agreement for a 33-35% cut in emissions intensity per unit of growth from the same base year (2015) by 2030, and thus heed the 2°C global warming goal. Since this performance is predicated on a growth rate of just over 7%, and the parallel target for 40% share of renewable energy by that year (2030), the national road map is clear. What is not, however, is the impact of extreme weather events such as droughts and floods that would have a bearing on economic growth. It is in this context that the rich countries must give up their rigid approach towards the demands of low and middle income countries, and come to an early resolution on the question of financing of mitigation, adaptation and compensation. Of course, India could further raise its ambition in the use of green technologies and emissions cuts, which would give it the mantle of global climate leadership.

Question 155 :

India has/had plans to generate 40% of its energy from renewables by which year?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 127 Seconds

Options :

1. 2030
2. 2009



2015

4. 2020

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **2030**.

- According to the paragraph, by 2030 India has/had plans to generate 40% of its energy from renewables.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. As the 23rd conference of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change in Bonn shifts into high gear, developing countries including India are focussing on the imperatives of ensuring adequate financing for mitigation and adaptation. They are moving ahead with specific instruments for loss and damage they suffer due to destructive climate-linked events. India's progress in reducing the intensity of its greenhouse gas emissions per unit of GDP by 20-25% from 2005 levels by 2020, based on the commitment made in Copenhagen in 2009, has been positive. Early studies also suggest that it is on track to achieve the national pledge under the 2015 Paris Agreement for a 33-35% cut in emissions intensity per unit of growth from the same base year (2015) by 2030, and thus heed the 2°C global warming goal. Since this performance is predicated on a growth rate of just over 7%, and the parallel target for 40% share of renewable energy by that year (2030), the national road map is clear. What is not, however, is the impact of extreme weather events such as droughts and floods that would have a bearing on economic growth. It is in this context that the rich countries must give up their rigid approach towards the demands of low and middle income countries, and come to an early resolution on the question of financing of mitigation, adaptation and compensation. Of course, India could further raise its ambition in the use of green technologies and emissions cuts, which would give it the mantle of global climate leadership.

Question 156 :

What does India need to do to be recognised as a leader in protecting global climate?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 113 Seconds****Options :**

1. Make more emission cuts
2. Host the next conference on climate change
3. Successfully force rich countries to give up their rigid approach
4. Keep economic growth rate at 7%

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Make more emission cuts**.



According to the paragraph, India needs to make more emission cut to be recognised as a leader in protecting global climate.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. As the 23rd conference of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change in Bonn shifts into high gear, developing countries including India are focussing on the imperatives of ensuring adequate financing for mitigation and adaptation. They are moving ahead with specific instruments for loss and damage they suffer due to destructive climate-linked events. India's progress in reducing the intensity of its greenhouse gas emissions per unit of GDP by 20-25% from 2005 levels by 2020, based on the commitment made in Copenhagen in 2009, has been positive. Early studies also suggest that it is on track to achieve the national pledge under the 2015 Paris Agreement for a 33-35% cut in emissions intensity per unit of growth from the same base year (2015) by 2030, and thus heed the 2°C global warming goal. Since this performance is predicated on a growth rate of just over 7%, and the parallel target for 40% share of renewable energy by that year (2030), the national road map is clear. What is not, however, is the impact of extreme weather events such as droughts and floods that would have a bearing on economic growth. It is in this context that the rich countries must give up their rigid approach towards the demands of low and middle income countries, and come to an early resolution on the question of financing of mitigation, adaptation and compensation. Of course, India could further raise its ambition in the use of green technologies and emissions cuts, which would give it the mantle of global climate leadership.

Question 157 :

India has set a target to reduce by 33-35% its emissions intensity per unit of GDP growth in how many years?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 124 Seconds

Options :

1. 10
2. 15
3. 20
4. 5

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **15**.

- According to the passage, India has set a target to reduce by 33-35% its emissions intensity per unit of GDP growth in 15years.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 158 :



In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The teacher said to the students, "Work hard now if you wish to have a better future."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 50 Seconds

Options :

1. The teacher advised the students to work hard then if they wished to have a better future.
2. The teacher advised the students to work hard now if they wished to have a better future.
3. The teacher advised the students to work hard then if they wish to have a better future.
4. The teacher advised the students to work hard now if they wish to have a better future.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The teacher advised the students to work hard then if they wished to have a better future.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'Said to' changes into 'advised' as a teacher advises a student.
- 'Now' changes into 'then' to make it past.
- 'You' changes into 'they' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'Wish' changes into 'wished' as the reporting verb is in the past tense.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 159 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. "Do you have anything to tell me, my angel?" said her mother.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 79 Seconds

Options :

1. Her mother asked if she has anything to tell her.
2. Her mother asked if she had anything to tell me.
3. Her mother asked if she had anything to tell her.
4. Her mother asked if she has anything to tell me.

Solution :



The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Her mother asked if she had anything to tell her.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'Said' changes to 'asked' as the sentence is interrogative.
- 'Do' changes to 'if' as the question starts with an auxiliary verb.
- 'You' changes to 'she' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb. Here, the object is 'her'.
- 'Me' changes to 'her' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb. Here the subject is 'her mother'.
- 'Have' changes to 'had' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 160 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. "Bring me my spectacles," said grandfather to me.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 77 Seconds

Options :

1. Grandfather ordered me and brought him his spectacles.
2. Grandfather ordered me to have brought to him his spectacles.
3. Grandfather ordered me to bring him his spectacles.
4. Grandfather ordered myself to bring his spectacles to where he was.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Grandfather ordered me to bring him his spectacles.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'Me' changes to 'him' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb. Both should be in the objective case.
- 'My' changes to 'his' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb. Both should be in the possessive case.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 161 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. They said, "We were just taking



pictures.”

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 66 Seconds

Options :

1. They said that they had just took pictures.
2. They said that they had just been taking pictures.
3. They said that we had just been taking pictures.
4. They said that we had just took pictures.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. They said that they had just been taking pictures.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is placed.
- 'We' changes to 'they' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- Past continuous tense changes to past perfect continuous tense.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 162 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. They said, “We pray everyday.”

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 60 Seconds

Options :

1. They said that they have been praying every day.
2. They said that they pray every day.
3. They said that they prayed every day.
4. They said that we prayed every day.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. They said that they prayed every day.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is placed.
- 'We' changes to 'they' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Pray' changes to 'prayed' as the reporting verb is in the past tense.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Question 163 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. They said, "We will attend the performance tomorrow."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 61 Seconds****Options :**

1. They said that they would attend the performance the day after tomorrow.
2. They said that they will attend the performance the day after.
3. They said that they would attend the performance the next day.
4. They said that they will attend the performance the day after tomorrow.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. They said that they would attend the performance the next day.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is placed after 'said'.
- 'We' changes to 'they' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Will' changes to 'would' as the reporting verb is in the past tense.
- 'Tomorrow' changes to 'the next day'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 164 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. She said to me, "Will you be coming to the party, tomorrow?"

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 69 Seconds****Options :**

1. She asked me if I would be going to the party the day after tomorrow.
2. She asked me if I will be going to the party the following day.
3. She asked me if I will be going to the party the day after tomorrow.
4. She asked me if I would be going to the party the following day.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. She asked me if I would be going to the party the following day.



Inverted comma is removed.

- Question mark is replaced with full stop.
- 'Do' changes to 'if' as the question starts with an auxiliary verb.
- 'Said to' changes to 'asked'.
- 'Will' changes to 'would' as the reporting verb is in the past tense.
- 'You' changes to 'I' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'Tomorrow' changes to 'the following day'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 165 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. My friend said to me, "I am willing to help you on a condition."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

Options :

1. My friend said to me that he is willing to help me on a condition.
2. My friend said to me that he has had been willing to help me on a condition.
3. My friend said to me that he has been willing to help me on a condition.
4. My friend said to me that he was willing to help me on a condition.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. My friend said to me that he was willing to help me on a condition.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- The present continuous tense changes to the past continuous tense.
- 'I' changes to 'he' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'You' changes to 'me' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 166 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. "Please don't leave me alone here", the kid told her mother.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 76 Seconds

Options :



The kid begged her mother not to leave her alone there.

2. The kid begs her mother not to leave her alone there.
3. The kid begged her mother not to leave her alone here.
4. The kid begs her mother not to leave her alone here.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The kid begged her mother not to leave her alone there.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'Told' changes to 'begged' as 'please' is mentioned.
- 'Don't' changes to 'not to'.
- 'Me' changes to 'her' according to 'the kid' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Here' changes to 'there'

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 167 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Vaibhav said to me, "Has your father returned from work?"

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 68 Seconds****Options :**

1. Vaibhav asked me whether my father has returned from work.
2. Vaibhav asked me whether my father had returned from work.
3. Vaibhav asked me whether my father has had returned from work.
4. Vaibhav asked me whether my father had been returning from work.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Vaibhav asked me whether my father had returned from work.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- Question mark is replaced with full stop.
- Present perfect tense changes to past perfect tense.
- 'Said to' changes to 'asked' as the sentence is interrogative.
- 'Whether' is added as the sentence starts with an auxiliary verb.
- 'Your' changes to 'my' according to 'me' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 168 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Sahil said to me, "Where will you go this holiday?"

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 72 Seconds

Options :

1. Sahil asked me where I would go that holiday.
2. Sahil asked me where I will go that holiday.
3. Sahil asked me where I will be going that holiday.
4. Sahil asked me where I would gone that holiday.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Sahil asked me where I would go that holiday.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- Question mark is replaced with full stop.
- 'Will' changes to 'would' as the reporting verb is in the past tense.
- 'You' changes to 'I' according to 'me' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'This' changes to 'that'.

Question 169 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Heena said, "I bought a dress yesterday."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 65 Seconds

Options :

1. Heena said that she has bought a dress the day before.
2. Heena said that she had bought a dress the day before.
3. Heena said that she has bought a dress the day before yesterday.
4. Heena said that she had bought a dress the day before yesterday.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Heena said that she had bought a dress the day before.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- simple past tense changes to past perfect tense.
- 'I' changes to 'she' according to 'Heena' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Yesterday' changes to 'the day before'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 170 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. He said, "I saw the movie yesterday."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 66 Seconds

Options :

1. He said that he has seen the movie the day before.
2. He said that I had seen the movie the day before.
3. He said that he had seen the movie the day before.
4. He said that I have seen the movie the day before.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. He said that he had seen the movie the day before.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- Past simple changes to past perfect tense.
- 'I' changes to 'he' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Yesterday' changes to 'the day before'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 171 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The manager said to the executive, "Today you will come along with me to meet the client."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :



- The manager said to the executive this, that day he would have to go along with him to meet the client.
- The manager said to the executive that, that day he would have to go along with him to meet the client.
- The manager said to the executive that, that day he will have to go along with him to meet the client.
- The manager said to the executive this, that day he will have to go along with him to meet the client.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The manager said to the executive that, that day he would have to go along with him to meet the client.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'That' is added.
- 'Today' changes to 'that day'.
- 'You' changes to 'he' according to 'the executive' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'Me' changes to 'him' according to 'the manager' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Will' changes to 'would' as the reporting verb is in the past tense.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 172 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Vaibhav said to me, "We have to win this game."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 89 Seconds

Options :

- Vaibhav said to me that they have to win that game.
- Vaibhav said to me that we had to win that game.
- Vaibhav said to me that we have to win that game.
- Vaibhav said to me that they had to win that game.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Vaibhav said to me that we had to win that game.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'Have' changes to 'had' as the reporting verb is in the past tense.



'This' changes to 'that'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 173 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Nasir asked his tutor, "Do I need to learn these formulas?"

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 61 Seconds

Options :

1. Nasir asked his tutor if he has to learn those formulas.
2. Nasir asked his tutor if he had to learn those formulas.
3. Nasir asked his tutor didn't he had to learn those formulas.
4. Nasir asked his tutor hadn't he have to learn those formulas.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Nasir asked his tutor if he had to learn those formulas.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- Question mark is replaced with full stop.
- 'Do' changes to 'if' as the sentence is interrogative.
- 'These' changes to 'those'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 174 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Mother said to my sister, "Tell him sorry right now."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. Mother said to my sister to tell him sorry right then.
2. Mother said to my sister to tell him sorry right now.
3. Mother says to my sister to tell him sorry right then.



Mother says to my sister to tell him sorry right now.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Mother said to my sister to tell him sorry right then.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'Now' changes to 'then'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 175 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Pritam said, "These pastries are yummy."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. Pritam said that those pastries are yummy.
2. Pritam said this that those pastries were yummy.
3. Pritam said that those pastries were yummy.
4. Pritam said that these pastries are yummy.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Pritam said that those pastries were yummy.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'These' changes to 'those'.
- 'Are' changes to 'were' as the reporting verb is in the past tense.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 176 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The constable said, "I saw a bullet mark here."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

The constable said that he sees a bullet mark there.

2. The constable said that he had seen a bullet mark there.

3. The constable says that he saw a bullet mark here.

4. The constable said that he sees a bullet mark here.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The constable said that he had seen a bullet mark there.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- Past simple tense changes to past perfect tense.
- 'I' changes to 'he' according to 'the constable' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Here' changes to 'there'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 177 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The coach said, "Well done! You have made me proud."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 65 Seconds

Options :

1. The coach applauded and said that he has made him proud.
2. The coach applauds and says well done that he had made him proud.
3. The coach applauded, says well done and that he has made him proud.
4. The coach applauded and said that he had made him proud.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. The coach applauded and said that he had made him proud.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'You' changes to 'he' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb. When object is not mentioned, it is considered 'me'.
- 'Have' changes to 'had' as the reporting verb is in the past tense.
- 'Me' changes 'him' according to 'the coach' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.



Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 178 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The girl said to her partner, "You will have to dance better than this tomorrow."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 75 Seconds

Options :

1. The girl said to her partner that he will have to dance better than that the day after.
2. The girl said to her partner that he would have to dance better than this the day after.
3. The girl said to her partner that he would have to dance better than that the day after.
4. The girl said to her partner that he will have to dance better than this the day after.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. The girl said to her partner that he would have to dance better than that the day after.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'You' changes to 'he' according to 'her partner' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'This' changes to 'that'.
- 'Tomorrow' changes to 'the day after'.
- 'Will' changes to 'would' as the reporting verb is in the past tense.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 179 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The agent said, "This is the best house on this street."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 79 Seconds

Options :

1. The agent said this that was the best house on that street.
2. The agent said that that was the best house on that street.
3. The agent said that that is the best house on that street.



The agent said this that is the best house on that street.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The agent said that that was the best house on that street.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'This' changes to 'that'.
- 'Is' changes to 'was' as the reporting verb is in the past tense.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 180 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. My mother said to me, "You will regret your actions."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 65 Seconds

Options :

1. My mother warned me that I will regret my actions.
2. My mother warned me that I will be regretting my actions.
3. My mother warned me that I would regret my actions.
4. My mother warned me that I would be regretting my actions.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. My mother warned me that I would regret my actions.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'You' changes to 'I' according to 'me' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'Your' changes to 'my' according to 'me' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'Will' changes to 'would' as the reporting verb is in the past tense.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 181 :



In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. "I'm going to the gym now," said Param.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 71 Seconds

Options :

1. Param said that he is going to the gym then.
2. Param said that he has gone to the gym then.
3. Param said that he had gone to the gym then.
4. Param said that he was going to the gym then.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Param said that he was going to the gym then.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- The present continuous tense changes to past continuous tense.
- 'I' changes to 'he' according to 'Param' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Now' changes to 'then'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 182 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. Children like to play all day long.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 64 Seconds

Options :

1. Liking is done by children of playing all day long.
2. Playing all day long is liked by children.
3. All day long children do like to play.
4. Children play all day long and like it.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Playing all day long is liked by children.

Active voice- Subject + V_1/V_5 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + Is/Am/Are + V_3 + by agent

An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.

- Since 'to play' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 183 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. Once a month we visit the temple.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 66 Seconds****Options :**

1. Visiting the temple is done by us once a month.
2. We ourselves visited the temple once a month.
3. Once a month the temple is visited by us.
4. Monthly there is a visit by us to the temple.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Once a month the temple is visited by us.

Active voice- Subject + V_1/V_5 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + Is/Am/Are + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'a temple' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 184 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. The servant is keeping my house tidy.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 67 Seconds****Options :**

1. Keeping of my house tidy is done by the servant.
2. The servant had kept tidy my house.
3. My house is being kept tidy by the servant.

My house the servant keeps tidy.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. My house is being kept tidy by the servant.

Active voice- Subject + Is/Am/Are + V₄ + Object

Passive voice- Subject + Is/Am/Are + bieng + V₃ + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'my house' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 185 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. The theatre was keeping a seat for you.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. A seat was being kept for you by the theatre.
2. Keeping of a seat for you has been done by the theatre.
3. The theatre has kept a seat for you.
4. A seat would be kept for you by the theatre.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. A seat was being kept for you by the theatre.

Active voice- Subject + was/were + V₄ + Object

Passive voice- Subject + was/were + bieng + V₃ + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'a seat' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 186 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. I have kept all your old letters.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. Keeping of all your old letters has been done by me.
2. I keep your letters which have become old.
3. Your letters which have become old would be kept by me.
4. All your old letters have been kept by me.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. All your old letters have been kept by me.

Active voice- Subject + has/have + V₃ + Object

Passive voice- Subject + has/have + been + V₃ + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'all your old letters' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 187 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. He had kept up his training regimen for a month.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 69 Seconds

Options :

1. Keeping up the training regimen had been done by him for a month.
2. For a month he has had been keeping his training regimen.
3. He is training and this has been kept for a month.
4. His training regimen had been kept up by him for a month.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4 i.e. His training regimen had been kept up by him for a month.**

Active voice- Subject + had + V₃ + Object

Passive voice- Subject + had+ been + V₃ + by agent



An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.

- Since 'his training regimen' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 188 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. Meenu will return the book.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 71 Seconds****Options :**

1. Returning of the book will be done by Meenu.
2. The book will be returned by Meenu.
3. The book would have been returned by Meenu.
4. The book Meenu will be returning.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The book will be returned by Meenu.

Active voice- Subject + will + V_1 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + will be + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'the book' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 189 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. I will keep your secret.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 64 Seconds****Options :**

1. Keeping of your secret will be done by me.
2. I will be keeping the secret of you.
3. Your secret would be kept by me.

Your secret I will be keeping.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Your secret would be kept by me.

Active voice- Subject + will + V_1 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + will be + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'your secret' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.
- 'Keep' is the main verb which must be changed into V_3 while changing into passive.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 190 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. I would have kept your bicycle here if you had left it with me.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 72 Seconds

Options :

1. Your bicycle would have been kept here if you had left it with me.
2. Keeping of your bicycle would have been done by me if you had left it.
3. If you had left it with me I would have kept your bicycle there.
4. Your bicycle would be kept there if you have left it with me.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1 i.e. Your bicycle would have been kept here if you had left it with me.**

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'your bicycle' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.
- 'Have' changes to 'have been' while changing into passive.
- As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 191 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. I have a feeling that you are keeping a secret.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 71 Seconds

Options :

1. I have a feeling that keeping of a secret is being done by you.
2. I have a feeling that a secret is being kept by you.
3. Feeling has been had by me that a secret was kept by you.
4. I myself had a feeling that a secret had been kept by you.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **I have a feeling that a secret is being kept by you.**

Active voice- Subject + Is/Am/Are + V₄ + Object

Passive voice- Subject + Is/Am/Are + being + V₃ + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'a secret' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 192 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. We have kept the bird in the cage too long.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 73 Seconds

Options :

1. Keeping of the bird in the cage has been done by us for too long.
2. The bird has been kept in the cage by us for too long.
3. We have been keeping for long the bird in the cage.
4. The bird would have been kept in the cage by us for too long.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The bird has been kept in the cage by us for too long.

Active voice- Subject + has/have + V₃ + Object

Passive voice- Subject + has/have + been + V₃ + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.



Since 'the bird' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 193 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. The agent will take you to the property.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 73 Seconds****Options :**

1. Taking you to the property will be done by the agent.
2. The agent would be taking you to the property.
3. You were taken to the property by the agent.
4. You will be taken to the property by the agent.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. You will be taken to the property by the agent.

Active voice- Subject + will + V_1 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + will be + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'you' answers 'whom', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 194 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. I have poured the tea.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 67 Seconds****Options :**

1. Pouring of the tea by me has been done.
2. The tea is being poured by me.
3. The tea has been poured by me.
4. The tea pouring was done by myself.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. The tea has been poured by me.

Active voice- Subject + has/have + V_3 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + has/have + been + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'the tea' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 195 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. People drink champagne on New Year's Eve.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 65 Seconds

Options :

1. Drinking of champagne is done on New Year's Eve.
2. New Year's Eve was the day when People drank Champagne.
3. People on Eve of New Year drink champagne.
4. Champagne is drunk on New Year's Eve.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Champagne is drunk on New Year's Eve.

Active voice- Subject + V_1/V_5 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + Is/Am/Are + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'champagne' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.
- The third form of 'drink' is 'drunk'.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 196 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. Chefs use these machines to mix the ingredients.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 70 Seconds

Options :

1. These machines are used by chefs to mix the ingredients.
2. Using of these machines is done by chefs to mix the ingredients.
3. Chefs mix the ingredients using these machines.
4. These machines had been used to mix the ingredients by chefs.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. These machines are used by chefs to mix the ingredients.

Active voice- Subject + V_1/V_5 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + Is/Am/Are + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'these machines ' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 197 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. They renovated the restaurant in 2017.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. The restaurant was renovated by them in 2017.
2. Renovating the restaurant was done by them in 2017.
3. The renovated restaurant was by them in 2017.
4. The restaurant in 2017 was being renovated by them.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The restaurant was renovated by them in 2017.

Active voice- Subject + V_2 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + was/were + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.



Since 'the restaurant' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 198 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. The teachers informed the students that the class had been cancelled.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 66 Seconds****Options :**

1. Informing the students that the class is cancelled was done by the teachers.
2. The class has been cancelled, this the teachers informed the students.
3. The students were informed by the teachers that the class had been cancelled.
4. The teachers cancelled the class and informed the students.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. The students were informed by the teachers that the class had been cancelled.

Active voice- Subject + V2 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + was/were + V₃ + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'the students' answers 'whom', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 199 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. The bullet hit the soldier in the arm.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 70 Seconds****Options :**

1. Hitting in the arm of the soldier has been done by the bullet.
2. The soldier was hit in the arm by the bullet.
3. The bullet has hit it in the arm of the soldier.

The arm of the soldier is being hit by a bullet.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The soldier was hit in the arm by the bullet.

Active voice- Subject + V2 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + was/were + V₃ + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'the soldier ' answers 'whom', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.
- All the three forms of 'hit' are same.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 200 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. The police arrested him on suspicion.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 71 Seconds

Options :

1. Arresting him on suspicion has been done by the police.
2. On suspicion the police had been arresting him.
3. He was arrested on suspicion by the police.
4. He has had been arrested on suspicion by the police.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. He was arrested on suspicion by the police.

Active voice- Subject + V2 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + was/were + V₃ + by agent

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

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- 200 questions were moderate.
- The safe score is 150 marks.
- 200 questions were asked from English Language and 200 questions were asked from English Language
- 82 questions should have been skipped if you were short of time.

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