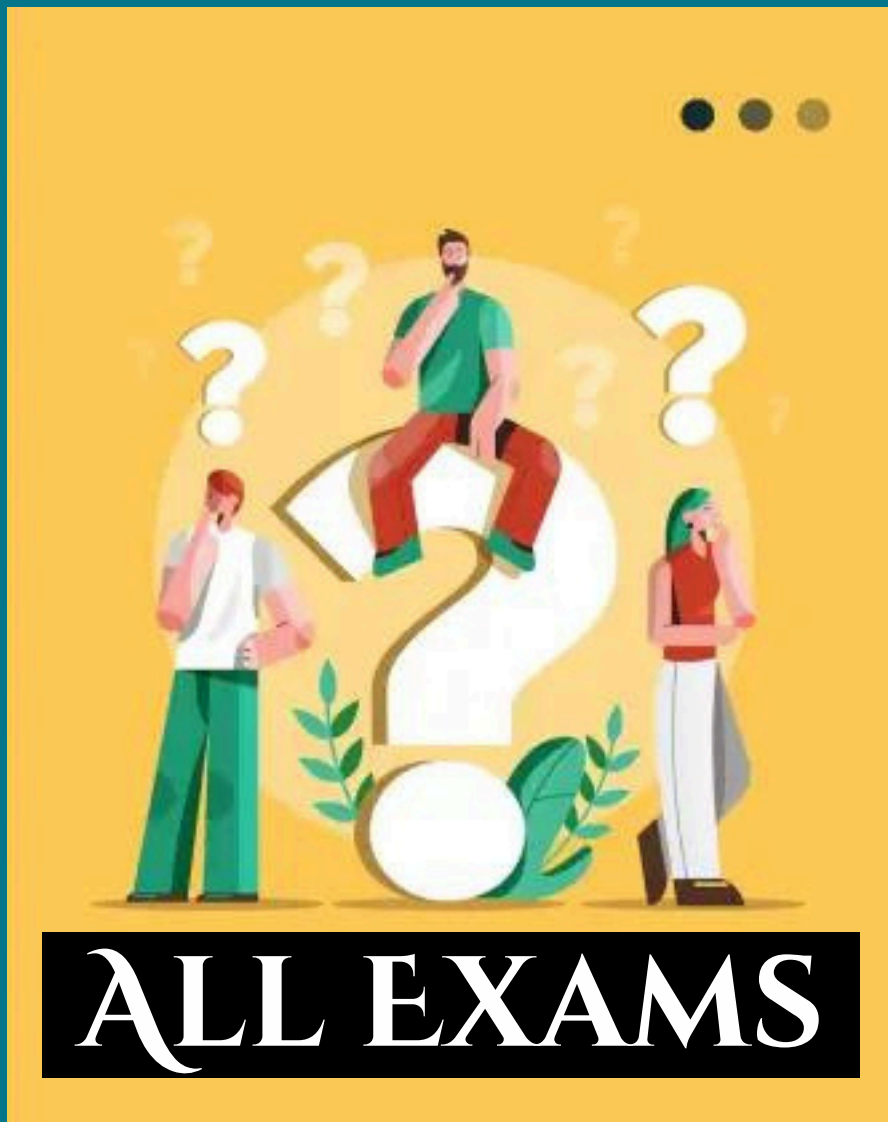


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Q.1

Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

Stupor

1. Fatigue
2. Contribution
3. Establishment
4. Reaction

Answer:

A

Sol:

The correct answer is option a.

Stupor - The state of being nearly unconscious or being unable to think properly.

Synonyms - Laziness, fatigue, idleness, inaction.

Antonyms - Eagerness, Enthusiasm, Keeness.

Q.2

Identify the segment in the given sentence which contains the grammatical error.

Many people obsess on how to be successful because we all want to feel like we matter.

1. obsess on
2. Many people
3. No Error
4. how to be successful

Answer:

A

Sol:

The correct answer is option a.

The error lies in part (a) of the sentence. Replace 'Obsess on' with 'Obsess over' to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.

Obsess over - It is a phrase that means, 'To worry about something all the time'.

For example - Joe's always *obsessing over* his health.

Q.3

Select the most appropriate meaning of the idiom.

A home bird.

1. To have similar characters, backgrounds, interests.
2. In a luxurious but confining situation.
3. One who is cheerful, optimistic, and joyful.
4. Someone who likes to spend most of their time at home.

Answer:

D

Sol:

The correct answer is option d.

A home bird - It is an idiomatic expression which means, 'Someone who like to spend most of time at home.'

Option (d) portrays the same meaning as that of the given idiom & hence it is the correct choice.

Q.4

Identify the segment in the given sentence which contains the grammatical error.

No one like to help those who do not rely on their own resources.

1. No Error
2. No one like
3. to help those
4. who do not

Answer:

B

Sol:

The correct answer is option b.
The error lies in part (b) of the sentence. Replace 'Like' with 'Likes' to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.
Indefinite pronouns that end in - 'one' are always singular. These words include anyone, everyone, someone, no one.

Q.5

Select the option that will improve the segment in bold of the given sentence. In case no improvement is needed, select 'No improvement.'

For some people money is happiness while for others spending time with family and friends is happiness.

1. When
2. Since
3. As
4. No improvement

Answer:

D

Sol:

The correct answer is option d.

The given sentence is grammatically and contextually correct.

While - It is used to link or balance ideas that contrast each other.

For example - *While* I am happy for us all to eat at home, I don't want to spend hours in the kitchen preparing the food.

We use 'When' to mean 'At the time that'.

For example - I had a great time *when* I went to the coast.

We use 'Since' to refer to a particular time in the past until another time or until now.

For example - I have been having a boring time *since* I came back home.

Q.6

Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

A secret or disguised way of writing.

1. Curator
2. Cypher
3. Graphology
4. Philology

Answer:

B

Sol:

The correct answer is option b.

Cypher - A secret or disguised way of writing.

Curator - A keeper or custodian of a museum or other collection.

Graphology - Study of handwriting.

Philology - Study of languages.

Option (b) portrays the same meaning as that of the given group of words & hence it is the correct choice.

Q.7

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Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word.

Perturb

1. Unusual
2. Accidental
3. Comfort
4. Baseless

Answer:

C

Sol:

The correct answer is option c.

Perturb - make (someone) anxious or unsettled.

Synonyms - Unsettle, Disturb, Distress, Dismay.

Antonyms - Aid, Assist, Comfort, Soothe.

Q.8

Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

Consolidate

1. Approve
2. Remember
3. Strengthen
4. Participate

Answer:

C

Sol:

The correct answer is option c.

Consolidate - To make firm or secure.

Synonyms - Centralize, Concentrate, Unite, Strengthen.

Antonyms - Decentralize, Deconcentrate.

Q.9

Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word.

Uncouth

1. Sophisticated
2. Magnificent
3. Powerful
4. Faithful

Answer:

A

Sol:

The correct answer is option a.

Uncouth - (Used about a person or his/her behaviour) rude or socially unacceptable.

Synonyms - Uncultivated, Stupid, Discourteous, Impolite.

Antonyms - Cultivated, Sophisticated, Courteous, Polite.

Q.10

Select the most appropriate words to fill in the blanks in the given sentence.

Every generation of a middle-class household hopes that its next-generation would be

slightly better _____.

1. With
2. On
3. Off
4. To

Answer:

C

Sol:

The correct answer is option c.

The words that can be filled in the blanks are 'Off'.

Better off – It is a phrase that means, 'To have more money than you had in the past or more money than most other people'.

For example - Obviously, we're *better off* now that we're both working.

Q.1

Select the option that will improve the highlighted part of the sentence. In case no improvement is needed, select 'No improvement.'

The athlete with her trainers were attend the championship event.

1. The athlete with her trainer was attending
2. The athlete with her trainers was attending
3. The athlete with her trainers were attending
4. No improvement

Answer:

B

Sol:

The correct answer is (b) "The athlete with her trainers was attending".

In English grammar, when a singular noun is connected to a plural noun by the conjunction "with", the verb must agree with the first noun.

Since "The athlete" is singular, the verb should also be singular - "was", not "were".

Furthermore, "attend" should be in the continuous form "attending" because the sentence is likely referring to an ongoing action at a certain point in the past.

So, the sentence should read: "The athlete with her trainers was attending the championship event."

To summarize, option (b) corrects the original sentence by ensuring verb agreement with the subject and putting the verb in the appropriate tense.

Q.2

Select the word that is closest in meaning (SYNONYM) to the word given below.

ENGENDER

1. Incite
2. Suppress
3. Destroy
4. Generate

Answer:

D

Sol:

Option b is the correct synonym of the given word.

Engender- means to cause or give rise to a feeling, situation, or condition.

Synonyms: Generate, provoke, induce, stimulate, create, trigger, breed.

Antonyms: Prevent, stifle, quash, hinder, suppress, halt, deter.

Meaning of other options-

Incite: To encourage or stir up violent or unlawful behavior.

Suppress: To prevent the development, action, or expression of something.

Destroy: To put an end to the existence of something by damaging or attacking it.

Generate: To cause something to arise or come about.

Q.3

Improve the highlighted part of the sentence. Choose 'No improvement' as an answer if the sentence is grammatically correct.

I couldn't believe it. The news was too good to be true!

1. was too good to believe!
2. was so good to believe!
3. was too good for belief!
4. No improvement

Answer:

D

Sol:

The correct answer is (d) "No improvement".

The phrase "too good to be true" is a standard idiomatic expression in English.

It's used when something appears so perfect or wonderful that it's hard to believe or trust.

It's grammatically correct and widely accepted, so there's no need to change or "improve" it.

The other options either disrupt the idiomatic expression or are less commonly used and thus may sound strange or confusing to some English speakers.

Therefore, the sentence "The news was too good to be true!" is best as it is.

Q.4

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in the correct order.

Amidst the

P. economic crisis, soaring unemployment rates,

Q. new technological advancements and digital transformations

R. global pandemic and widespread lockdowns,

S. businesses have had to adapt and innovate.

1. RSPQ
2. SQPR
3. QSRP
4. PRSQ

Answer:

D

Sol:

The correct answer is (d) PRSQ.

Here's how each part contributes to the overall sentence when arranged in the PRSQ order:

P: "economic crisis, soaring unemployment rates," This part describes the challenging economic conditions businesses are facing.

R: "global pandemic and widespread lockdowns," This part adds to the list of challenges, specifically focusing on the health crisis and the associated lockdowns.

S: "businesses have had to adapt and innovate." This part presents the response of businesses to the challenging conditions outlined in parts P and R.

Q: "new technological advancements and digital transformations" This part provides a bit more detail about how businesses have adapted and innovated. Given the global pandemic and lockdowns, it's reasonable to infer that they've done so by leveraging "new technological advancements and digital transformations."

So, the final sentence reads: "Amidst the economic crisis, soaring unemployment rates, global pandemic and widespread lockdowns, businesses have had to adapt and innovate through new technological advancements and digital transformations."

Q.5

Choose the option that is the correct direct form of the sentence.

The doctor told the patient that he needed immediate surgery.

1. "You need immediate surgery," said the doctor to the patient.
2. "You needed immediate surgery," says the doctor to the patient.
3. "You are needing immediate surgery," told the doctor to the patient.
4. "You have needed immediate surgery," said the doctor to the patient.

Answer:

A

Sol:

Option a is the correct direct form of the given sentence.

Direct speech- Direct speech, also known as quoted speech or direct quotation, is a way of reporting someone's exact words.

Indirect speech- Indirect speech, also known as reported speech or indirect quotation, is a way of reporting someone's words or thoughts indirectly, without using their exact words.

The following rules should be followed while converting an indirect speech to direct speech:

1. Use the reporting verb such as (say, said to) in its correct tense.
2. Put a comma before the statement and the first letter of the statement should be in capital letter.
3. Insert question mark, quotation marks, exclamation mark and full stop, based on the mood of the sentence.
4. Remove the conjunctions like (that, to, if or whether) wherever necessary.
5. Where the reporting verb is in past tense in indirect, change it to present tense in the direct speech.
6. Change the past perfect tense either into present perfect tense or past tense, as necessary.

According to the given rules,

Option a, "You need immediate surgery," said the doctor to the patient." is the correct direct form of the given sentence.

Q.6

Fill in the blank with an appropriate option.

He couldn't understand the complex mathematical concept, so he sought the help of a _____.

1. Mentor
2. Mediator
3. Mercenary
4. Maverick

Answer:

A

Sol:

The correct answer is (a) "mentor". A mentor is a person who guides a less experienced person by building trust and modeling positive behaviors. This makes sense in the context as the person needs help understanding a complex mathematical concept.

Here are the meanings of the other options:

Mediator: A person who attempts to make people involved in a conflict come to an agreement; a go-between.

Mercenary: A professional soldier hired to serve in a foreign army. This is not applicable in this context as the problem is related to understanding a mathematical concept, not combat or warfare.

Maverick: An independent-minded person who does not conform to normal or accepted rules or conventions. This term might not be the best fit in this context because it suggests the person might use unconventional methods or ideas, and that's not necessarily what someone would look for when trying to understand a complex concept.

Q.7

Select the correctly spelt word.

1. Accumullate
2. Accumulate

3. Accumulatte
4. Accumullatte

Answer:

B

Sol:

Option b is the correctly spelt word.
Accumulate - To gather or collect something over time, increasing in quantity or amount.

Q.8

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. If there is no error, then select the option "No error".

The company's profits have been steadily increasing over the past years.

1. The company's profits
2. have been steadily increasing
3. over the past years.
4. No error

Answer:

D

Sol:

The correct answer is (d) "No error".
The sentence "The company's profits have been steadily increasing over the past years." is grammatically correct.
Here's a brief explanation of each part:
"The company's profits" - This is the subject of the sentence. It is grammatically correct with 'company's' showing the possessive form, indicating that the profits belong to the company.
"have been steadily increasing" - This is the predicate of the sentence. It uses the present perfect continuous tense correctly to describe an ongoing action that started in the past and is still happening.

"over the past years." - This is a prepositional phrase that indicates the time period over which the profits have been increasing. It is also grammatically correct.

Thus, there are no grammatical errors in the sentence.

Q.9

Select the correctly spelt word.

1. Excercise
2. Excersize
3. Exercise
4. Excerzise

Answer:

C

Sol:

Option c is correctly spelt.
Exercise - Physical activity that is done to become stronger and healthier, or a task or activity done to practice or test skills and knowledge.

Q.10

Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

P. Mahatma Gandhi was born on October 2, 1869, in Porbandar, Gujarat.

Q. He played a crucial role in India's fight for independence against British rule.

R. His philosophy of non-violence and peaceful resistance, known as Satyagraha, inspired millions.

S. Gandhi is considered the Father of the Nation in India.

1. PSQR
2. RPQS
3. QRSP
4. SRPQ

Answer:

A

Sol:

The correct answer is (a) PSQR.

Here's the explanation for each part:

P: "Mahatma Gandhi was born on October 2, 1869, in Porbandar, Gujarat." This sentence provides the initial introduction to the subject, Mahatma Gandhi, giving his birth date and place.

S: "Gandhi is considered the Father of the Nation in India." This sentence continues the narrative by presenting an overview of his status in India. It's a natural follow-up to the introduction.

Q: "He played a crucial role in India's fight for independence against British rule." This sentence details the specific role Gandhi played in Indian history, which helps explain why he's considered the Father of the Nation.

R: "His philosophy of non-violence and peaceful resistance, known as Satyagraha, inspired millions." Finally, this sentence provides further detail on the nature of Gandhi's contributions to the Indian independence movement, namely his philosophy of Satyagraha.

So, the correct order is PSQR: "Mahatma Gandhi was born on October 2, 1869, in Porbandar, Gujarat. Gandhi is considered the Father of the Nation in India. He played a crucial role in India's fight for independence against British rule. His philosophy of non-violence and peaceful resistance, known as Satyagraha, inspired millions."

Q.1

Given below are four jumbled sentences. Select the option that gives the correct order.

A. There is a role of time in this.

B. All living things are identified and categorised on the basis of their body design in form and function.

C. Some characteristics are likely to make more wide-ranging changes in body design than others.

D. There is a role of time in this. So, once a certain body design comes into existence, it will shape the effects of all other subsequent design changes, simply because it already exists.

1. DABC
2. BCAD
3. ADBC
4. CABD

Answer:

B

Sol:

The correct answer is option b.

The proper arrangement is – BCAD.

Q.2

Select the option that is the passive form of the given sentence.

Sharmila does not cook food.

1. Food was not cooked by Sharmila.
2. Food might not be cooked by Sharmila.
3. Food is not cooked by Sharmila.
4. Food could not be cooked by Sharmila.

Answer:

C

Sol:

The correct answer is option c.
The given sentence is of 'Active voice'.
The sentence is said to be in active voice when 'Subject' is active & does something.
Now we have to convert it into passive voice.
Passive voice – If the sentence is in passive form, the subject remains inactive. It does nothing, but allows something to be done.
In the passive form, the object of the verb in Active voice becomes the subject of the verb in the Passive voice. 'By' is introduced as now the subject receives the action by the object.
The given sentence is in the simple present tense.
Structure in active voice - Subject + Do/does+ not + V1 + Object.
Structure in passive voice - Object + is/am/are+ not + V3+ by Subject.
The sentence thus formed is – Food is not cooked by Sharmila.

Q.3

Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

Study of religion

1. Theology
2. Pathology
3. Calligraphy
4. Acoustics

Answer:

A

Sol:

The correct answer is option a.
Theology - Study of religion.
Calligraphy - Art related to ornate, good handwriting.
Pathology - Scientific study of bodily diseases.

Acoustics - Study of sound and sound waves.
Option (a) portrays the same meaning as that of the given group of words & hence it is the correct choice.

Q.4

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank in the given sentence.

Electrical appliances ease the burden of household chores, which usually _____ on women.

1. Fail
2. Fall
3. Fallen
4. Fell

Answer:

B

Sol:

The correct answer is option b.
The word that can be filled in the blank is 'Fall'.
Fall on someone - if something falls on someone, it is their responsibility to do it
The burden of caring for elderly parents often falls on women.

Q.5

Select the most appropriate meaning of the idiom given in bold in the given sentence.

Attempts at classifying living things into groups have been made since time

immemorial.

1. At all times

2. Likely to occur in the near future
3. Very quickly
4. For a very long time

Answer:

D

Sol:

The correct answer is option d.
 Since time immemorial – It is a phrase which means, "For a very long time."
 For example - People have been creating art since time immemorial.
 Option (d) portrays the same meaning as that of the given idiom & hence, it is the correct choice.

Q.6

Select the most appropriate option for blank no. 1

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each blank.

_____ (1) the time of 'Rigveda' onwards, our ancient education system evolved over the period and focused on the holistic development of the individual by taking care of both the inner and the outer self.

The system focused on the moral, physical, spiritual and intellectual _____ (2) of life. It emphasised on values such as humility, truthfulness, discipline, self-reliance and respect for all creations.

Students were _____ (3) to appreciate the balance between human beings and nature. Teaching and learning followed the tenets of *Vedas* and *Upanishads*, fulfilling duties towards self, family and society, thus encompassing all aspects of life.

Education system focused both on learning and physical _____ (4). In other words, the emphasis was on a healthy mind and a healthy body. You can see that education in India has a _____ (5) of being pragmatic, achievable and complementary to life.

1. Of
2. In
3. From
4. At

Answer:

C

Sol:

The correct answer is option c.
 The word that can be filled in the blank is 'From'.
 From - It is used to talk about origins, sources, and starting points:
 For example - She collects postcards from all over the world.
 'From... onwards' – It means continuing from a particular time.
 For example - They lived there from the 1980s onwards.
 Of – It is used for belonging to, relating to, or connected with.
 For example - The first page of the book describes the author's profile.
 At - It is used to refer to time or place and activities.
 For example - They arrived late at the airport.
 In - It is used when talking about time, we use 'in' when referring to an unspecified time of the day, a month, a season or a year.

For example - It's always cold in winter.

Q.7

Select the most appropriate option for blank no. 2

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each blank.

_____ (1) the time of '*Rigveda*' onwards, our ancient education system evolved over the period and focused on the holistic development of the individual by taking care of both the inner and the outer self.

The system focused on the moral, physical, spiritual and intellectual _____ (2) of life. It emphasised on values such as humility, truthfulness, discipline, self-reliance and respect for all creations.

Students were _____ (3) to appreciate the balance between human beings and nature. Teaching and learning followed the tenets of *Vedas* and *Upanishads*, fulfilling duties towards self, family and society, thus encompassing all aspects of life.

Education system focused both on learning and physical _____ (4). In other words, the emphasis was on a healthy mind and a healthy body. You can see that education in India has a _____ (5) of being pragmatic, achievable and complementary to life.

1. Aspects
2. Troubles
3. Advantages
4. Championships

Answer:

A

Sol:

The correct answer is option a.

The word that can be filled in the blank is 'Aspects'.

Aspect - a particular part or feature of something.

For example - His illness affects almost every aspect of his life.

Q.8

Select the most appropriate option for blank no. 3

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each blank.

_____ (1) the time of '*Rigveda*' onwards, our ancient education system evolved over the period and focused on the holistic development of the individual by taking care of both the inner and the outer self.

The system focused on the moral, physical, spiritual and intellectual _____ (2) of life. It emphasised on values such as humility, truthfulness, discipline, self-reliance and respect for all creations.

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Students were _____ (3) to appreciate the balance between human beings and nature. Teaching and learning followed the tenets of *Vedas* and *Upanishads*, fulfilling duties towards self, family and society, thus encompassing all aspects of life.

Education system focused both on learning and physical _____ (4). In other words, the emphasis was on a healthy mind and a healthy body. You can see that education in India has a _____ (5) of being pragmatic, achievable and complementary to life.

1. Ask
2. Demands
3. Question
4. Taught

Answer:

D

Sol:

The correct answer is option d.
The word that can be filled in the blank is 'Taught.'
As per the context, the word 'Taught' fits in very well & hence, it is the correct choice.

Q.9

Select the most appropriate option for blank no. 4

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each blank.

_____ (1) the time of '*Rigveda*' onwards, our ancient education system evolved over the period and focused on the holistic development of the individual by taking care of both the inner and the outer self.

The system focused on the moral, physical, spiritual and intellectual _____ (2) of life. It emphasised on values such as humility, truthfulness, discipline, self-reliance and respect for all creations.

Students were _____ (3) to appreciate the balance between human beings and nature. Teaching and learning followed the tenets of *Vedas* and *Upanishads*, fulfilling duties towards self, family and society, thus encompassing all aspects of life.

Education system focused both on learning and physical _____ (4). In other words, the emphasis was on a healthy mind and a healthy body. You can see that education in India has a _____ (5) of being pragmatic, achievable and complementary to life.

1. Community
2. Development
3. Environment
4. Distribution

Answer:

B

Sol:

The correct answer is option b.
The word that can be filled in the blank is 'Development.'

As per the context, the word 'Development' fits in very well & hence, it is the correct choice.

Q.10

Select the most appropriate option for blank no. 5

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each blank.

_____ (1) the time of 'Rigveda' onwards, our ancient education system evolved over the period and focused on the holistic development of the individual by taking care of both the inner and the outer self.

The system focused on the moral, physical, spiritual and intellectual _____ (2) of life. It emphasised on values such as humility, truthfulness, discipline, self-reliance and respect for all creations.

Students were _____ (3) to appreciate the balance between human beings and nature. Teaching and learning followed the tenets of Vedas and Upanishads, fulfilling duties towards self, family and society, thus encompassing all aspects of life.

Education system focused both on learning and physical _____ (4). In other words, the emphasis was on a healthy mind and a healthy body. You can see that education in India has a _____ (5) of being pragmatic, achievable and complementary to life.

1. Dream
2. Featured
3. Heritage
4. Guidance

Answer:

C

Sol:

The correct answer is option c.

The word that can be filled in the blank is 'Heritage'. As per the context, the word 'Heritage' fits in very well & hence, it is the correct choice.

Q.1

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 today are so driven towards their personal goals that civic sense as an ethic has become a low priority, almost nuisance.

Q: This attitude cuts across all ranks and sections.

R: We don't think it deserves much importance.

S: Civic sense or rather the lack of it has been widely discussed and somehow it is an undisputed fact that we Indians don't seem to care much for it.

1. RQPS
2. QSRP
3. RPQS
4. SQRP

Answer:

D

Q.2

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

In open access publishing, a journal article (were made) available free for all on the web by the publisher.

1. is make
2. making
3. is made
4. No improvement

Answer:

C

Sol:

sentence should be in passive and as the sentence is in general context thus "is + made" should be used.

Q.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.

Grandfather says, "Health is wealth."

1. Grandfather said that health was wealth.
2. Grandfather says that health was wealth.
3. Grandfather says that health is wealth.
4. Grandfather said that being healthy was being wealthy.

Answer:

C

Sol:

Q.4

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 been asking you since days to replace the leaking tap.

1. You have been asked by me since days to replace the leaking tap.
2. Asking you to replace the leaking tap has been done by me since days.
3. Replacement of the leaking tap is being asked by me to you since days.
4. Since days I have been asking you for replacement of the tap that is leaking.

Answer:

A

Sol:

Q.5

Select the appropriate option to replace the highlighted word with the adverb of time.

I went to Paris regularly.

1. twice
2. none
3. yesterday
4. happily

Answer:

C

Sol:

The highlighted word "regularly" is an adverb that describes the frequency of the action in the sentence. To replace it with an adverb of time, we need to choose an option that describes when the action took place, rather than how often. The given sentence is in past tense. Thus, "yesterday" fits in the meaning of the original sentence and can correctly replace "regularly."

Twice is an adverb of frequency that indicates the number of times the action was performed, which does not fit the meaning of the original sentence.

Yesterday is an adverb of time that indicates when the action took place, which does not fit the meaning of the original sentence.

Happily is an adverb that describes the manner in which the action was performed, which is not the same as the frequency of the action

Q.6

What is 'tuff'?

A passage is given with 5 questions following it. Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives.

Volcanic eruptions create beautiful surreal panorama like the unique landscape in Turkey. Here, rock structures of different shapes and sizes are a result of volcanic outbursts. Called "Fairy Chimneys" of Goreme in the Cappadocia region, Turkey, these rock sites are a major tourist attraction. Cappadocia lies in Central Anatolia in Turkey with the Taurus Mountains in the south separating it from the Mediterranean Sea. The rock formations that we see today can be traced back to millions of years. Several volcanic eruptions through deep fractures threw up rocks, lava, ash and other materials. After the eruption, a dense ash covered the entire area. Soon the ejected ash solidified into a soft/porous rock called "tuff". The soft rocks were exposed to sub

aerial erosion by wind, water and climatic changes (temperature changes). The rocks expanded in summer as they heated up, and broke up in winter as they froze. Added to this, the icy water collected in the cracks led to disintegration. Cappadocia gets heavy rain, and this too has played its part in altering the landscape. Rainwater has created sweeping curves on the sides of the valleys. The rivers washed away the eroded pieces of rocks and the harder rocks stayed on. Today, you see them in different shapes – capped chimneys, pillars, mushrooms and conical formations. As erosion constantly changes the landscape of the rock structures in Cappadocia, it can pose a danger to the habitation.

1. Solidified ash
2. A type of volcano
3. Local name for the chimneys
4. Dense rocks

Answer:

A

Sol:

Refer to, "Soon the ejected ash solidified into a soft/porous rock called "tuff"."

Q.7

What is to the south of Cappadocia?

A passage is given with 5 questions following it. Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives.

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1. Goreme
2. Volcanoes
3. Turkey
4. Taurus Mountains

Answer:

D

Sol:

Refer to, "Cappadocia lies in Central Anatolia in Turkey with the Taurus Mountains in the south separating it from the Mediterranean Sea."

Q.8

When do the rocks break-up?

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1. Summer
2. During rains
3. When volcanoes erupt
4. Winter

Answer:

D

Sol:

Refer to, "The rocks expanded in summer as they heated up, and broke up in winter as they froze."

Q.9

Why are there curves on the sides of the valley?

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1. Due to winds
2. Due to changing temperature

3. Due to rain water
4. Due to human activity

Answer:

C

Sol:

Refer to, "Cappadocia gets heavy rain, and this too has played its part in altering the landscape. Rainwater has created sweeping curves on the sides of the valleys. The rivers washed away the eroded pieces of rocks and the harder rocks stayed on."

Q.10

How old are these rock formations?

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1. Billions of years
2. Thousands of years
3. Millions of years
4. Hundreds of years

Answer:

C

Sol:

Refer to, "The rock formations that we see today can be traced back to millions of years."

Q.1

Select the most appropriate meaning of the highlighted idiom in the given sentence. After several years of cheating on his PhD work, the candidate finally had to face the music and lose the opportunity.

1. Accept ignorance
2. To accept unpleasant consequences
3. Choose another alternative that is uninteresting
4. Be exposed

Answer:

B

Sol:

The idiom 'to face the music' means to accept the unpleasant consequences of one's actions. So, the

correct option is (b) To accept unpleasant consequences.

Example: After years of avoiding his taxes, John finally had to face the music when the IRS came knocking on his door.

Q.2

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

Sunil cannot _____ a trip to the US now because he has already spent a lot for the completion of his house.

1. visit
2. afford
3. spend
4. earn

Answer:

B

Sol:

When we say that someone "cannot afford" something, it typically means that they don't have enough money for it or that it's beyond their financial means.

- The verb "afford" is often used in relation to financial matters, especially when discussing whether or not someone has enough money for a particular item, service, or experience.
- Hence, the correct answer is (b) afford.
- Visit doesn't make sense in this context because the issue isn't about his ability to visit, but about his ability to bear the cost of the trip.
- Spend is not correct as it would suggest that he is not willing to spend on the trip, but the context is about his ability to spend.
- Earn is incorrect because the sentence is not about his earning capacity.

Q.3

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Select the most appropriate option that can substitute the highlighted segment in the

given sentence.

He was not able to adopt himself to the new environment of the hostel.

1. able to adept himself to
2. able for adopt himself to
3. able to adopt himself with
4. able to adapt himself to

Answer:

D

Sol:

When we talk about getting used to a new environment or changing oneself to fit into new situations, we use the word "adapt," not "adopt."

- Adopt usually refers to taking up, choosing, or accepting something--like to adopt a child, to adopt a new policy, or to adopt a new attitude.
- The phrase "adapt himself to" means to change oneself to fit into a new situation or environment.
- Therefore, the correct sentence would be, "He was not able to adapt himself to the new environment of the hostel."
- Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

Q.4

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order.

NFTs are

P. digital collectables that exist on

Q. and are better known for recently

R. taking the art world by storm

S. online ledgers known as blockchains

1. PSQR
2. RPQS
3. RQPS
4. SPRQ

Answer:

A

Sol:

"NFTs are" is the main clause of the sentence, and it needs to be followed by a definition or a description of what NFTs are.

- Among the given options, only segment P ("digital collectables that exist on") and segment S ("online ledgers known as blockchains") provide this definition.
- Putting P after "NFTs are" provides a direct object for "are" -- "digital collectables". This object can then be expanded upon with segment S, which clarifies where these digital collectables exist -- "online ledgers known as blockchains".
- Segments Q and R provide additional information about these NFTs -- namely, what they are known for: "and are better known for recently" (Q) and "taking the art world by storm" (R).
- Therefore, the arrangement that makes the most sense both logically and grammatically is option (a) PSQR.

Q.5

Choose the incorrectly spelt word.

1. Flawless
2. Rudimentary
3. Primitive
4. Impracticle

Direction (6-10): In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.
Swaminathan had a table on which all his

things, his coat, cap, slate, ink-bottle, and books, were thrown in a confused (6)____. He sat on his stool and shut his eyes to (7) _____ what work he had for the day: first of course there was Arithmetic – those five (8)_____ in Profit and Loss; then there was English – he had to copy down a page from his English lesson and write dictionary meanings of (9) _____ words; and then there was Geography. And only two hours before him to do all this heap of work and get (10) _____ for school.

Answer:

D

Sol:

The correct spelling is 'Impractical'. So, the incorrectly spelt word is 'Impracticle'.

- Meanings of the given options:
- Flawless: means without any blemishes, defects, or imperfections. It's often used to describe something or someone that is perfect or near perfect.
- Rudimentary: word refers to something basic or elementary. It can describe something in an undeveloped, incomplete, or very basic form.
- Primitive: refers to something that is simple or basic, not sophisticated or advanced.
- Impractical: refers to something that is not sensible or realistic in the context of a particular situation.

Q.6

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 6.

1. heap
2. deal
3. order
4. load

Answer:

A

Sol:

The word that can be filled in the blank is 'heap' to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.

- A 'heap' typically refers to an untidy collection or pile, which perfectly fits with the description of the disorganized array of items on Swaminathan's table.

Meaning of other words:

- Deal can refer to a large quantity or amount, but it doesn't convey the messiness described here.
- Order typically refers to an arrangement according to a particular sequence, pattern, or method, which contradicts the disorganized state of Swaminathan's table.
- Load can refer to a heavy or bulky thing that is being carried or is about to be carried, which doesn't quite fit the context of a collection of items on a table.

Q.7

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 7.

1. guess
2. recollect
3. imagine
4. estimate

Answer:

B

Sol:

The most suitable word to be filled in the blank is 'recollect'.

- The term 'recollect' means to remember something. In the context of the sentence, Swaminathan is trying to remember his tasks for the day.

• Therefore, 'recollect' is contextually and grammatically correct.

Meaning of other words:

- Guess - estimate or suppose (something) without sufficient information to be sure of being correct.
- Imagine - form a mental image or concept of.

- Estimate - roughly calculate or judge the value, number, quantity, or extent of.
- Thus, all the other given words do not fit the context of the sentence.

Q.8

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 8.

1. disputes
2. puzzles
3. debates
4. conditions

Answer:

B

Sol:

The word that fits correctly in the blank is 'puzzles'. In the context of the sentence, Swaminathan is working on arithmetic problems related to profit and loss, often referred to as 'puzzles' in an academic context, making it grammatically and contextually correct.

- Meaning of other words:
- Dispute - a disagreement or argument.
- Debate - a formal discussion on a particular matter in a public meeting or legislative assembly, in which opposing arguments are put forward.
- Conditions - the state of something with regard to its appearance, quality, or working order.
- These words are not contextually fitting in the sentence.

Q.9

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 9.

1. rigid
2. awkward

3. difficult
4. visible

Answer:

C

Sol:

The most appropriate word to be filled in the blank is 'difficult'.

- The context of the sentence is about English lesson, where the 'difficult' words would require dictionary meanings to be written down.
- Therefore, 'difficult' is both grammatically and contextually correct.

Meaning of other words:

- Rigid - unable to bend or be forced out of shape; not flexible.
- Awkward - causing difficulty; hard to do or deal with.
- Visible- able to be seen.
- Thus, all the other given words do not fit in the context of the sentence.

Q.10

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 10.

1. alert
2. fit
3. ready
4. fixed

Answer:

C

Sol:

The most appropriate word to be filled in the blank is 'ready'.

- In the context of the sentence, Swaminathan needs to finish all his work to be prepared or 'ready' for school, making it grammatically and contextually

correct.

Meaning of other words:

- Alert - quick to notice any unusual and potentially dangerous or difficult circumstances.
- Fit - of a suitable quality, standard, or type to meet the required purpose.
- Fixed - fastened securely in position.
- These words do not fit appropriately in the context of the sentence

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