

Quiz Date: 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020

**Directions (1-7): Read the following passage and answer the following questions. Some words are highlighted to help you answer some of the questions.**

When there's a decision to be made, such as where to book dinner or which thing to buy, do you obsessively read reviews, seek everyone else's opinion and question your own choice? Now think about what happens when life doesn't go according to plan. Are you more likely to take control and find a way forward by forging your own path, or is your default response a little more **damsel** in distress? Making your own choices, taking responsibility and flexing your independence are all tell-tale signs of how self-reliant you really are.

Life is full of decisions to be made and settling on a final answer can bring up a lot of fear. While it's important to have a trusted person or a network of people in your life who love you, support you and look out for your best interests, *over-relying on the resources of others* can cheat you out of the chance to draw upon your own strengths. Being driven by the need to seek input, approval, or even the permission of someone else before making your next move calls your self-reliance into question and signals there's work to do if you want to stand on your own two feet.

There's a lot to be gained from owning your own choices and striving for independence in different areas of your life, including greater self-esteem and a deep sense of satisfaction. When you're self-reliant, you believe you have the skills and resources to handle whatever comes your way. You're confident in the choices you make and actions you take, accepting responsibility for their outcome. Accomplishment comes when things work out well, and if they don't, you trust yourself to move through the challenge in your own way with the freedom to fix it.

When it comes to your future, someone who is self-reliant will have the final say. Knowing that the decision is theirs is empowering. For others, this level of responsibility seems daunting and comfort comes only from knowing another person is heavily invested and choosing your next steps with you, or even making a decision on your behalf. Wherever you sit on the self-reliance scale – whether you prefer to fly solo, or expect to be saved from your struggles – a sense of balance can help you to be both self-reliant and well supported at the same time. The most independent people are less likely to be rendered helpless, but they do tend to rely on themselves alone. That means they usually miss the chance to include others on their journey.

Having someone you trust to check in with can be a valuable resource. Listening to another's insights and **wisdom** can be a bonding experience that also saves you the time and energy it would take to figure things out for yourself. But pause before you hand over all of your power to someone else, remember others can't always come to the rescue and solve your problems and you shouldn't expect them to, so take this opportunity to consider what the right course of action for you is. Notice what your gut is telling you to do, which direction you're drawn to, and check in with how you feel about the decision you're about to make. By doing this, you can be confident that you are exercising your judgment in the best way you know how, you're capable of choosing and you're in charge. If things don't work out well, don't panic. Trusting that you have the personal resources and skillset to stay afloat for even a little while before being rescued will be empowering and comforting all at once. It's worthwhile being strong enough to support yourself, but being wise enough to know when it's time to reach out and ask for help is even more valuable.

Q1. According to the passage, what are the signs of self-reliant?

- (a) Making the choices of own.
- (b) Taking the responsibility of the task assigned.
- (c) Having a trusted person or a network of people in your life
- (d) Both (a) & (b)
- (e) All of these (a), (b) & (c)

Q2. What do the phrase '*overlying on the resources of others*' do mean here in the passage?

- (a) Workplace friendships pose challenges that private, social interactions do not experience.
- (b) It's completely natural to want to collaborate with friends when you're working on any kind of team assignment.
- (c) Always depending on the decisions of others can lead you not drawing your own decisions or strengths.
- (d) Having friends improves wellbeing, attitudes to learning and academic performance.
- (e) None of these.

Q3. What are the benefits of making your own decisions or becoming self-reliant?

- (a) It allows one to adopt multiple skills which can lead to have a better lifestyle.
- (b) It encourages self-respect and a deep sense of satisfaction.
- (c) It provides inner feeling of "betterment" than average people.
- (d) Being self-reliant can feel quite comforting to allow others to make choices for you.
- (e) None of these.

Q4. What do the most independent people lack during their course of success in the passage?

- (a) They have their own comfort zone which makes them very limited to others.
- (b) They dislike others speaking for them and feel powerful for making their own decisions.
- (c) While others include people in their success, the most independent individuals miss the opportunity of including others in their journey.
- (d) Independent people understand that it is wrong to look down on others.
- (e) None of these.

Q5. Which of the following sentence is not correct according to the passage?

- (a) When you're self-reliant, you believe you have the skills and resources to handle whatever comes your way.
- (b) The most independent people are less likely to be rendered helpless as they depend on themselves.
- (c) A sense of balance can help you to be both self-reliant and well supported at the same time.
- (d) When you're exiting an old job and entering a new company, you'll be faced with a barrage of problems that can seem daunting.
- (e) All (a), (b) & (c)



Q6. Choose the word which is most nearly the **SIMILAR** in meaning to the word '**damself**' printed in bold as used in the passage.

- (a) Vehement
- (b) Imprison
- (c) Demoiselle
- (d) Conceit
- (e) None of these.

Q7. Choose the word which is most nearly the **OPPOSITE** in meaning to the word '**wisdom**' printed in bold as used in the passage.

- (a) Stupidity
- (b) Taunt
- (c) Alienation
- (d) Sneer
- (e) Mind

Directions (8-12): In the following given passage, certain words are highlighted which may or may not be fit in the sentence either grammatically or contextually. Each word is numbered followed by four possible replacements. If none of the given option could replace the highlighted word, mark your answer, (e); "None of the above".

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Q8.

- (a) prescribe

- (b) corrupt
- (c) service
- (d) warrant
- (e) No Replacement

Q9.

- (a) confidential
- (b) prosaic
- (c) ensue
- (d) prone
- (e) No Replacement

Q10.

- (a) jubilant
- (b) cunning
- (c) aplomb
- (d) inchoate
- (e) No Replacement

Q11.

- (a) diffident
- (b) suspect
- (c) jiffy
- (d) desire
- (e) No Replacement

Q12.

- (a) prey
- (b) attention
- (c) drift
- (d) particular
- (e) No Replacement



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## Solutions

S1. Ans. (d)

Sol. Referring to the lines of the passage in the first passage, we get to know that option (d) holds true. This can be inferred from the lines of the passage, 'Making your own choices, taking responsibility and flexing your independence are all tell-tale signs of how self-reliant you really are.'

S2. Ans. (c)

Sol. Referring to the lines of the second passage, it is clear that the only correct option is option (c). It can be inferred from the lines of the passage, 'While it's important to have a trusted person or a network of people in your life who love you, support you and look out for your best interests, over-relying on the resources of others can cheat you out of the chance to draw upon your own strengths. This makes our correct option (c).

S3. Ans. (b)

Sol. Referring to the lines of the third passage, it is clear that the only correct option is option (b). It can be inferred from the lines of the passage, "There's a lot to be gained from owning your own choices and striving for independence in different areas of your life, including greater self-esteem and a deep sense of satisfaction. When you're self-reliant, you believe you have the skills and resources to handle whatever comes your way"

S4. Ans. (c)

Sol. Referring to the lines of the passage, it is clear that option (c) is our answer. This can be inferred from the lines of the passage 'The most independent people are less likely to be rendered helpless, but they do tend to rely on themselves alone. That means they usually miss the chance to include others on their journey.' This makes our correct option (c) our answer.

S5. Ans. (d)

Sol. Referring to the lines of the passage, it is clear that the only option incorrect is option (d). As there is nothing mentioned about the problems encountered during job switch. Apart from that all other options hold true with respect to the passage.

S6. Ans. (c)

Sol. Damsel means -a young woman which is same as 'demoiselle'.

Conceit -inflated pride in oneself or one's appearance.

Imprison -put or keep in prison or a place like a prison.

Vehement -showing strong feeling; forceful, passionate, or intense.

S7. Ans. (a)

Sol.

Wisdom means -'The quality of having experience, knowledge, and good judgment; the quality of being wise' which is opposite to that of 'Stupidity'.

Taunt means -a remark made in order to anger, wound, or provoke someone.

Sneer means -a contemptuous or mocking smile, remark, or tone.

This makes our correct option (a).

S8. Ans. (c)

Sol. The correct option here is option (c). Other than that no other words can give the exact meaning with reference to the passage.

S9. Ans. (a)

Sol. The correct option here is option (a). Other than that no other words can give the exact meaning with reference to the passage.

S10. Ans. (e)

Sol. The correct option here is option (e). Other than that no other words can give the exact meaning with reference to the passage.

S11. Ans. (c)

Sol. The correct option here is option (c). Other than that no other words can give the exact meaning with reference to the passage.

S12. Ans. (d)

Sol. The correct option here is option (d). Other than that no other words can give the exact meaning with reference to the passage.



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