

RBI Assistant Mains Practice Marathon English

S1. Ans. (a)

Sol. Referring to the lines of the first passage, it is pretty clear that option (a) holds true. This can be inferred from the lines, 'Declining costs, satellite and launcher size evolutions and the rapid increase of related technology has led to a surge in satellite launches, many of which are conducted by new space enterprises and nations.' This makes our correct answer choice option (a).

S2. Ans. (d)

Sol. This transformation and rapid growth are anticipated to increase the space sector's vital role in telecommunications, remote sensing, space science and national security, making it a vital node of the Fourth Industrial Revolution's infrastructure.

S3. Ans. (c)

Sol. Referring to the lines of the passage, it is clear that option (c) holds true. This can be inferred from the following lines,

"With over 20,000 pieces of debris larger than 10 centimetres tracked in orbit and many more untracked, the rise in space activity will lead to even more debris, increasing collision risk."

S4. Ans. (a)

Sol. Referring to the lines of the passage, it is clear that only option that holds true is option (a). This can be inferred from the lines of the passage,

"As the challenge of orbital debris or "space junk" is set to grow, current and future missions face an increasing risk of possible collisions. The Space Sustainability Rating (SSR) will provide a new, innovative way of addressing the orbital challenge by encouraging responsible behaviour in space through increasing the transparency of organizations' debris mitigation efforts."

S5. Ans. (d)

Sol. Referring to the whole passage, it is clear that only option (d) is not in line with the passage as there is nothing mentioned about tool named 'space risk reduction'. Other than all the sentences are mentioned in the passage.

S6. Ans. (d)

Sol. Option (d) is the correct answer choice.

Proliferation means -rapid increase in the number or amount of something which is same as 'augment'.

S7. Ans. (a)

Sol. Option (a) is the correct answer choice.

Collaboratively means -in a way that is produced by or involves two or more parties working together which is opposite of the word 'separate.'

Provincial- of or concerning a province of a country or empire.

Suave means -charming, confident, and elegant.

Option (d) is the correct answer choice as it is the most opposite in meaning to the given word.



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S8. Ans. (b)

Sol. To make the sentence grammatically correct, replace the phrase given in bold with [have had to shutter their businesses]. Hence, option (b) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

S9. Ans. (d)

Sol. To make the sentence grammatically correct, replace the phrase given in bold with [none of the executives raised concerns]. Hence, option (d) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

S10. Ans. (a)

Sol. To make the sentence grammatically correct, replace the phrase given in bold with [which is undergoing insolvency]. Hence, option (a) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

S11. Ans. (b)

Sol. To make the sentence grammatically correct, replace the phrase given in bold with [**has been partially attributed**]. Hence, option (b) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

S12. Ans. (a)

Sol. To make the sentence grammatically correct, replace the phrase given in bold with [**reported 1,749 new cases of people infected**]. Hence, option (a) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

S13. Ans. (b)

Sol. To make the sentence grammatically correct, replace the phrase given in bold with [**can swiftly upgrade their networks**]. Hence, option (b) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

S14. Ans. (e)

Sol. There is no any grammatical mistake in the sentence, so the correct option is option (e). Hence, option (e) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

S15. Ans. (d)

Sol. To make the sentence grammatically correct, replace the phrase given in bold with [**where the virus first emerged in**]. Hence, option (d) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

S16. Ans. (a)

Sol. Only (i) can be used to frame a contextually meaningful and grammatically correct sentence. The sentences thus formed is:

(a) With lack of demand and major supply-side bottlenecks being the primary issues facing exports and real estate, it is doubtful whether the present measures will be enough to revive these flailing sectors.

S17. Ans. (a)

Sol. Both (i) and (ii) starters are fit to frame a contextually meaningful and grammatically correct sentence. The sentences thus formed are:

- (a) Because of scarcity of options available to the government to deal with the present crisis, the government has been relying almost entirely on providing fiscal relief in the form of tax cuts.
 (b) As there are no options available to the government to deal with the present crisis, the government has been relying almost entirely on providing fiscal relief in the form of tax cuts.

S18. Ans. (d)

Sol. Only starter (iii) is fit to frame a contextually meaningful and grammatically correct sentence. The sentence thus formed is:

Though government promised structural reforms when it rose to power in 2014, these are a far cry from what many expected from the government.

S19. Ans. (a)

Sol. Both (i) and (ii) starters are fit to frame a contextually meaningful and grammatically correct sentence. The sentences thus formed are:

- (a) While improving working conditions for those on margins, it is crucial for media to show solidarity towards its own.
 (b) Being crucial for media to show solidarity towards its own, it should improve working conditions for those on margins.

S20. Ans. (d)

Sol. All the three starters i.e, (i), (ii), and (iii) are fit to frame a contextually meaningful and grammatically correct sentence. The sentences thus formed are:

- (a) Endeavoring to overcome its regional isolation, Israel wants to enhance diplomatic relations with as many countries as possible.
 (b) Along with endeavoring to overcome its regional isolation, Israel wants to enhance diplomatic relations with as many countries as possible.
 (c) Enhancing diplomatic relations with as many countries as possible, Israel endeavors to overcome its regional isolation.

S21. Ans. (a)

Sol. The term 'accountability' means 'The fact or condition of being accountable'.

Persistent- continuing to exist or occur over a prolonged period
 Cavalier-Showing a lack of proper concern; Offhand, Indifferent,
 Casual, Dismissive, Insouciant

S22. Ans. (b)

Sol. The term 'bewitch' means 'Enchant and delight someone'.

Consequential-Following as a result or effect
 Annul- Declare invalid an official agreement, decision, or result
 Corollary- Something that results from something else



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S23. Ans. (c)

Sol. The term 'absurd' means 'Wildly unreasonable, illogical, or inappropriate'.

Dissent- The holding or expression of opinions at variance with those commonly or officially held

Ironically-Used in reference to a paradoxical, unexpected, or coincidental situation

Goldilocks-Used to describe a situation in which something is or has to be exactly right

S24. Ans. (d)

Incentivize- To make someone want to do something

Inhibit-Hinder, restrain, or prevent an action or process

Incomprehensible-Not able to be understood

S25. Ans. (a)

Sol. The term 'defuse' means 'Make a situation less tense or dangerous.'

Muzzling-Prevent a person or group from expressing their opinions freely

Suffice- Be enough or adequate

Treacherous-Guilty of or involving betrayal or deception

S26. Ans. (a)

Sol. The term 'Beleaguered' means 'Lay siege to; Put in a very difficult situation;' Option (a) is the right answer choice. 'Besieged' and 'Troubled' are synonyms of the given word.

S27. Ans. (b)

Sol. The term 'cessation' means 'the fact or process of ending or being ended'. Option (b) is the right answer choice. 'Termination' and 'Resumption' are synonym and antonym respectively of the given word.

S28. Ans. (c)

Sol. The term 'demotion' means 'Reduction in rank or status'. Option (c) is the right answer choice. 'Advance' and 'Promote' are antonyms of the given word.

S29. Ans. (d)

Sol. The term 'disquiet' means 'A feeling of worry or unease'. Option (d) is the right answer choice. 'Tranquility' and 'Anxiousness' are antonym and synonym respectively of the given word.

S30. Ans. (a)

Sol. The term 'erratic' means 'Not even or regular. Option (a) is the right answer choice. 'Inconstant' and 'Irregular' are synonyms of the given word.

S31. Ans. (c)

Sol. Refer to the first paragraph, the hint can be drawn from the lines, India Inc registered strong gains in profit in the third quarter of 2019- 20. While the conventional wisdom would point to the cut in corporate tax rates and low crude oil prices, a closer look at the data indicates that a lower base in the year-ago quarter had a more important role to play.

Here, it is said that while traditional analysis will point towards the corporate tax rate cut and lower pricing of crude oil. However, a deep analysis showcases that the lower level of both corporate tax and crude oil in the quarter of year-ago played a vital role in the gained profit. Hence, option (c) is the right answer choice as it properly explains the reason as asked.

S32. Ans. (a)

Sol. Lopsided pattern means lacking in balance, symmetry, or proportion: disproportionately heavy on one side. To understand this better, read the lines of second paragraph, An analysis of the results of 1,139 listed companies reveals a lopsided pattern. Overall, this sample registered a massive 43.9 per cent growth rate in pre-tax profit and 63.6 per cent year-on-year rise in profit after tax despite registering a mere 2.2 per cent rise in net sales.

Here, the lines refer that there was a growth of 43.9% in pre-tax profit and the overall profit was 63.6% after tax even when there was only a rise of 2.2% in the net sales. All this indicates asymmetry between the gained profit and net sales. Hence, option (a) is the right answer choice as it explains better the meaning of the highlighted phrase.

S33. Ans. (c)

Sol. Refer to the second paragraph of the given passage, the hint can be drawn from the lines, The difference between pre-tax profit and net profit is largely due to the tax cuts, which became effective in the September 2019 quarter, and that is visible in the aggregate tax payout, which remained at the same level despite the significant jump in profit.

Here, the lines refer that the said difference was noticeable in the total tax payout and which also remained unchanged even after the profit numbers jumped significantly. Both option (a) and (b) describe the lines best. Hence, option (c)[Both (a) and (b)] is the right answer choice.

S34. Ans. (d)

Sol. Refer to the third paragraph of the given passage, the hint can be drawn from the lines, Banks, especially the corporate lenders, had a subdued December 2018 quarter, which had resulted in losses or a drop in profit. In the December 2019 quarter, the situation improved as losses reduced and banks got the benefit of lower tax rates.

Here, the above lines state that though banks were facing a restrained time period during December 2018 quarter yet there was some improvement in their challenges when the losses were reduced and banks received the advantages of lowered tax rates.

Both (a) and (b) describe the above lines. Hence, option (d)[Both (a) and (b)] is the right answer choice.

S35. Ans. (d)

Sol. Refer to the third paragraph, the hint can be drawn from the lines, Removing refineries from the sample leads to a pre-tax profit decline of 4.3 per cent and net profit growth of just 1.25 per cent. Here, both (a) and (b) are justified with the above lines. Hence, option (d) [Both (a) and (b)] is the right answer choice.

S36. Ans. (c)

Sol. The words 'lawsuit' and 'enforced' can fill in the blanks consecutively to make the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, option (c) is the right answer choice.

S37. Ans. (b)

Sol. The words 'Savvy' and 'stealthy' can fill in the blanks consecutively to make the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, option (b) is the right answer choice.

Savvy- Shrewdness and practical knowledge; the ability to make good judgements.

Stealthy - behaving or done in a cautious and surreptitious manner, so as not to be seen or heard.

Moronic - very foolish or stupid.

S38. Ans. (a)

Sol. The words 'tonic' and 'delight' can fill in the blanks consecutively to make the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, option (a) is the right answer choice.

Antedate means -precede in time; come before (something) in date.

Redolent means -strongly reminiscent or suggestive of.

S39. Ans. (c)

Sol. The words 'transformation' and 'authoritarian' can fill in the blanks consecutively to make the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, option (c) is the right answer choice.

Insurgency means -an active revolt or uprising.

Parlance - Formal debate

S40. Ans. (b)

Sol. The words 'rallying' and 'backlash' can fill in the blanks consecutively to make the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, option (b) is the right answer choice.



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