

Quiz Date: 4<sup>th</sup> April 2020

**Direction (1-10):** Select the phrase/connector (STARTERS) from the given three options which can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences.

Q1. (I) She was seeking refuge with her distant relatives with her delivery date just a week away.  
(II) She was gripped by fear and anxiety at the prospects of visiting the nearest hospital due to the ongoing chaos.

- (i) Seeking refuge with.....
- (ii) Gripped with fear.....
- (iii) After seeking refuge to.....

- (a) Only (ii)
- (b) Both (i) and (iii)
- (c) Only (i)
- (d) Only (iii)
- (e) Both (ii) and (i)

Q2. (I) Mr. Nambi Narayanan's career was "smothered" by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) spy scandal case 24 years ago.  
(II) A three-judge Bench, led by Chief Justice of India Dipak Misra, found Mr. Nambi Narayan a victim of trumped-up allegations of espionage by the Kerala Police.

- (i) More than 24 years after Mr. Nambi...
- (ii) Because Mr. Nambi Narayan's career...
- (iii) Although a three-judge Bench...

- (a) Only (i)
- (b) Only (ii)
- (c) Only (iii)
- (d) Both (iii) and (i)
- (e) None of these

Q3. (I) Metropolitan Magistrate Charu Gupta ordered framing of charges against K. Pachauri under Sections 354, 354A and 509 of the IPC.  
(II) Metropolitan Magistrate Charu Gupta discharged him of offences under Sections 354B, 354D, 506 and 341 of the IPC.

- (i) While Metropolitan Magistrate Charu Gupta discharged him...
- (ii) Metropolitan Magistrate Charu Gupta ordered...
- (iii) Though, Metropolitan Magistrate Charu Gupta discharged him...

- (a) Both (i) and (iii)
- (b) Only (ii)
- (c) Each of (i), (iii) and (ii)
- (d) Only (i)
- (e) None of the above

Q4.

- (I) The dual analog design is now the standard for all video game console controllers.  
(II) It's odd that Sony decided to choose the controller with less features and a shorter lifespan.
- (i) Considering that the dual analog...  
(ii) Because the dual analog...  
(iii) However the controller with less...
- (a) Both (i) and (ii)  
(b) Only (i)  
(c) Only (iii)  
(d) Both (iii) and (i)  
(e) None of the above

Q5.

- (I) There is no specific therapy or vaccine available at present.  
(II) It is imperative that we fast-forward the development of efficacious vaccines and drug therapies against COVID-19.

- (i) Given that there.....  
(ii) Since there is.....  
(iii) With no specific.....

- (a) Only (ii)  
(b) Both (i) and (iii)  
(c) Only (i)  
(d) Only (iii)  
(e) All (a), (c), (d)

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- Q6. (1) There was cultural opposition in India to Borlaug's methods and seeds.  
(2) The famine was so bad by 1965 that the government stepped in and urged the project forward.

- (i) The fact that there was...  
(ii) Although there was .....  
(iii) Despite the famine...

- (a) only (i)  
(b) only (ii)  
(c) only (iii)  
(d) all of these  
(e) none of these.

- Q7. (1) There are things in the book difficult for the feeble human mind to grasp.  
(2) It is an admirable book which calms and elevates the soul.

- (i) Whereas it is an admirable book....
- (ii) Though there are things in the book...
- (iii) While there are things in the book...

- (a) both (i) and (iii)
- (b) both (ii) and (iii)
- (c) both (i) and (ii)
- (d) only (i)
- (e) only (ii)

Q8.

- (I) Occasional accidents in an industry dealing in explosive materials may seem inevitable.
- (II) The probability of such mishaps can certainly be reduced by adopting safe work practices.
- (i) Although occasional accidents.....
- (ii) Even though occasional.....
- (iii) Until the probability of.....

- (a) Only (ii)
- (b) Both (i) and (iii)
- (c) Only (i)
- (d) Only (iii)
- (e) Both (ii) and (i)

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- Q9. (1) Many of the major CO<sub>2</sub> emitting nations had achieved significant reductions in 2016.  
(2) It is imperative for all countries to accelerate their emissions reduction if the Paris goals are to be met.

- (I) Although many of the major...
- (II) To accelerate the emission of CO<sub>2</sub>...
- (III) While many of the major...

- (a) Only (I) is correct
- (b) Only (II) is correct
- (c) Only (III) is correct
- (d) Both (I) and (III) are correct
- (e) All are correct

- Q10. (1) Indira Gandhi set up a new Department of Environment on returning to power in 1980.  
(2) A reputed botanist T.N. Khooshoo was hired as its Secretary.

- (I) On returning to power in 1980...
- (II) Since a reputed botanist...
- (III) Being hired as the Secretary...

- (a) Only (I) is correct
- (b) Only (II) is correct
- (c) Both (II) and (III) are correct
- (d) Both (I) and (II) are correct
- (e) All are correct



Directions (11-15): In the following passage against each number four words are suggested in bold that may or may not fit into the sentence contextually. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five options are given. Find out the most appropriate option reflecting the word which doesn't fit into the sentence appropriately and thus fail to give a contextual meaning to the paragraph. If no such error is there, mark (e) i.e. 'all are correct' as your answer choice.

(11) It may not have been a case of flattering to **deceive**, yet the **accretion** by farmers in the northern part of the country, which **fizzled** out at Kisan Ghat on Wednesday, did not yield the **bumper** crop they had expected which generally holds true of similar agitations in different parts of the country in recent months. (12) Is that because the farm sector is not in as dire **straits** as the Opposition projects, or that Anna Hazare, Naresh Tikait, etc are **unable** to stir up rural emotions as did Chaudhary Charan Singh or the senior Tikait? Or it could be that farmers have become **immune** to politicians' promises that **seldom** materialise? It's used to be said that India's heart beats in its farmlands, that no longer holds true. (13) And it would be rather **pragmatic** to lay the blame entirely at the BJP's doorstep: other parties have also been indifferent, **hypocritical**. Sure that when the police uses force (excessive force?) to break up farmers' **protest** there is a hue and cry, but the Opposition **subsequently** fights shy of addressing the core causes of rural distress. (14) In terms of sheer numbers the rural vote does count, but politicians seem to believe that it is easier to **garden** electoral majorities by the divisive polarisation that is easier to secure in an urban **ambience** the "rustics" are not so easily **swayed** by those **pitting** folk against each other on the basis of caste and creed. (15) The Delhi Police, possibly under instructions tried to block the **layoffs** on the UP-Delhi border: but its once-famed capacity to handle large crowds **crumbled** when some of the farmers turned violent after all Delhi was the National Capital and nobody has **monopoly** rights and received considerable political **backing**.

- Q11. (a) deceive  
(b) accretion

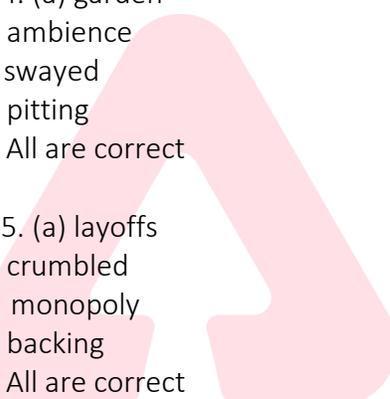
- (c) fizzled
- (d) bumper
- (e) All are correct

- Q12. (a) straits  
(b) unable  
(c) immune  
(d) seldom  
(e) All are correct

- Q13. (a) pragmatic  
(b) hypocritical  
(c) protest  
(d) subsequently  
(e) All are correct

- Q14. (a) garden  
(b) ambience  
(c) swayed  
(d) pitting  
(e) All are correct

- Q15. (a) layoffs  
(b) crumbled  
(c) monopoly  
(d) backing  
(e) All are correct



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Solutions

S1. Ans. (e)

Sol. Both (i) and (ii) starters can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. The sentences thus formed are:

*(i) Seeking refuge with her distant relatives with her delivery date just a week away, she was gripped by fear and anxiety at the prospects of visiting the nearest hospital due to the ongoing chaos.*

*(ii) Gripped with fear and anxiety at the prospects of visiting the nearest hospital due to the ongoing chaos, she was seeking refuge with her distant relatives with her delivery date just a week away.*

Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

S2. Ans. (a)

Sol. Only (i), as a starter, could form a coherent paragraph after combining (I) and (II).

*'More than 24 years after Mr. Nambi Narayanan's career was "smothered" by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) spy scandal case, a three-judge Bench, led by Chief Justice of India Dipak Misra, found him a victim of trumped-up allegations of espionage by the Kerala Police.'*

Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.

S3. Ans. (c)

Sol. Each of (i), (iii) and (ii) as starters could form a coherent paragraph after combining (I) and (II).

*'While Metropolitan Magistrate Charu Gupta discharged him of offences under Sections 354B, 354D, 506 and 341 of the IPC, she ordered framing of charges against him under Sections 354, 354A and 509 of the IPC.'*

*'Metropolitan Magistrate Charu Gupta ordered framing of charges against him under Sections 354, 354A, 506 and 509 of the IPC but discharged him of offences under Sections 354B, 354D, 506 and 341 of the IPC.'*

*'Though, Metropolitan Magistrate Charu Gupta discharged him of offences under Sections 354B, 354D, 506 and 341 of the IPC, she ordered framing of charges against him under Sections 354, 354A and 509 of the IPC.'*

S4. Ans. (b)

Sol. Only option (i) can be appropriately used to frame a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence combining both the sentence.

*'Considering that the dual analog design is now the standard for all video game console controllers, it's odd that Sony decided to choose the controller with less features and a shorter lifespan.'*

S5. Ans. (e)

Sol. Here all the three starters (i), (ii), and (iii) can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. The sentences thus formed are:

*(i) Given that there is no specific therapy or vaccine available at present it is imperative that we fast-forward the development of efficacious vaccines and drug therapies against COVID-19.*

*(ii) Since there is no specific therapy or vaccine available at present it is imperative that we fast-forward the development of efficacious vaccines and drug therapies against COVID-19.*

*(iii) With no specific therapy or vaccine available at present it is imperative that we fast-forward the development of efficacious vaccines and drug therapies against COVID-19.*

Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

S6. Ans. (b)

Sol. See the second option (ii) Although there was cultural opposition in India to Borlaug's methods and seeds, the famine was so bad by 1965 that the government stepped in and urged the project forward.

Hence option (b) is the right choice.

S7. Ans. (b)

Sol. Option (b) is the correct choice for the given question.

*(ii) Though there are things in the book difficult for the feeble human mind to grasp, it is an admirable book which calms and elevates the soul.*

*(iii) While there are things in the book that are difficult for the feeble human mind to grasp, it is an admirable book which calms and elevates the soul.*

Hence both (ii) and (iii) are correct.

S8. Ans. (e)

Sol. Both (i) and (ii) starters can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. The sentences thus formed are:

*(i) Although occasional accidents in an industry dealing in explosive materials may seem inevitable, the probability of such mishaps can certainly be reduced by adopting safe work practices.*

*(ii) Even though occasional accidents in an industry dealing in explosive materials may seem inevitable, the probability of such mishaps can certainly be reduced by adopting safe work practices.*

Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

S9. Ans. (d)

Sol. Both the starters mentioned in the first and third options can be used to make a proper and meaningful sentence respectively. In both the cases, the connectors "Although" and "While" are used as the conjunction which give the similar meaning to the sentences so formed. However, the second starter is incorrect as it changes the meaning of the sentences aforementioned in the question.

(I) Although many of the major emitting nations had achieved significant reductions in 2016, it is imperative for all countries to accelerate their emissions reduction if the Paris goals are to be met.

(III) While many of the major emitting nations had achieved significant reductions in 2016, it is imperative for all countries to accelerate their emissions reduction if the Paris goals are to be met.

S10. Ans. (a)

Sol. Only the first starter can help in framing a suitable and logical sentence. The other two starters are incorrect as they cannot frame the sentence which connects the two statements in the same meaningful way.

(I) On returning to power in 1980, Indira Gandhi set up a new Department of Environment, for which a reputed botanist T.N. Khooshoo was hired as its Secretary.

S11. Ans. (b)

Sol. The passage is describing about the dwindling concern towards the farming sector of the country. Though the farmlands are considered as the heartbeats of the country, yet their issues are ignored by political parties. Thus, in context of the theme of the passage, the word "accretion" stands inappropriate as it means growth or increase by the gradual accumulation of additional layers or matter. The most suitable word to replace 'accretion' is 'agitation' which means a state of anxiety or nervous excitement. All the other words are precise in context of the passage; hence, the option (b) 'accretion' is the most suitable answer choice.

**Deceive** means deliberately cause (someone) to believe something that is not true, especially for personal gain.

**Fizzled** means make a feeble hissing or spluttering sound.

**Bumper** means exceptionally large, fine, or successful.

S12. Ans. (e)

Sol. The passage is describing about the dwindling concern towards the farming sector of the country. Though the farmlands are considered as the heartbeats of the country, yet their issues are ignored by political parties. All the given words are correct with reference to the theme of the paragraph. Hence, option (e) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

**Straits** means a narrow passage of water connecting two seas or two other large areas of water.

**Immune** means protected or exempt, especially from an obligation or the effects of something.

**Seldom** means not common; infrequent.

S13. Ans. (a)

Sol. Since the passage describes about the dwindling concern towards the farming sector of the country the incoherent word becomes "pragmatic". Pragmatic means dealing with things sensibly and realistically in a way that is based on practical rather than theoretical considerations. As the sentence mentions here that the blame of the poor condition of farmers should not be laid entirely upon BJP. All the parties are indifferent towards their issue. Thus, the most appropriate word to replace the incoherent word "pragmatic" is "unrealistic". All the other

given words are correct with reference to the theme of the paragraph. Hence, option (a) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

**Hypocritical** means behaving in a way that suggests one has higher standards or more noble beliefs than is the case.

**Protest** means an organized public demonstration expressing strong objection to an official policy or course of action.

S14. Ans. (a)

Sol. The inaccurate word among the highlighted word is “garden”.

Thus, ‘garner’ would be an appropriate word to form a coherent sentence. ‘Garner’ means gather or collect (something, especially information or approval). All the given words are correct with reference to the theme of the paragraph. Hence, option (a) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

**Ambience** means the character and atmosphere of a place.

**Swayed** means move or cause to move slowly or rhythmically backwards and forwards or from side to side.

**Pitting** means set someone or something in conflict or competition with.

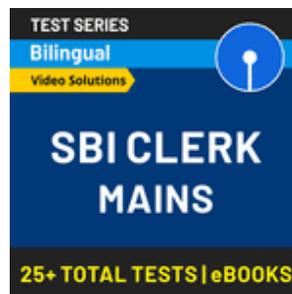
S15. Ans. (a)

Sol. The inaccurate word among the highlighted word is “layoffs”. ‘Layoffs’ means temporary suspension or permanent termination of employment of an employee or, more commonly, a group of employees. Since, the passage has mentioned about the protest of farmers, ‘layoffs’ becomes irrelevant in the context of the passage. The more appropriate word should have been “procession” which means a number of people or vehicles moving forward in an orderly fashion, especially as part of a ceremony. All the given words are correct with reference to the theme of the paragraph. Hence, option (a) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

**Crumbled** means cause (something) to break apart into small fragments.

**Monopoly** means the exclusive possession or control of the supply of or trade in a commodity or service.

**Backing** means help or support.



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