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Directions (1-5): For each question, five options are given out of which four options can be rearranged to form a coherent paragraph. Choose among the options, the option which fails to become a part of the coherent paragraph and is the odd-one-out.

Q1.

- (a) Systems of monetary order, which resolve these trade-offs in one way as opposed to another, work until they do not.
- (b) Governments' efforts to manage currencies are constrained by certain trade-offs.
- (c) The uncertainty that comes with a rise in oil prices or an unexpected bank failure can be costly, but typically abates as more information becomes available.
- (d) International trade is complicated by the fact that most countries have their own currencies, which move in idiosyncratic ways and can be held down to boost competitiveness.
- (e) Pegging them to an external anchor to stabilize their value means either ceding control of domestic economic policy or restricting access to foreign capital flows.

Q2

- (a) America has grown healthily and the rest of the world has muddled along.
- (b) Emerging market economies are growing their forex reserves, but advanced nations want them to spend more
- (c) Since the trade war began in 2018 the damage done to the global economy has been surprisingly slight.
- (d) Investors fear the dispute will trigger a recession, and there are ominous signs in the markets—share prices fell and government-bond yields sank to near-record lows.
- (e) But this week the picture darkened as the confrontation between America and China escalated, with more tariffs threatened and a bitter row erupting over China's exchange rate.

Q3.

- (a) RBI governor managed to set the alarm bells ringing on the increasingly challenging global environment caused by the growing pile of debt and ongoing trade tensions.
- (b) Besides building a case for EMEs growing their forex reserves in the face of increasing uncertainties in global flows
- (c) The immediate trigger for the RBI governor's outburst appears to have been the speech delivered by the Bank of England Governor, Mark Carney,
- (d) Institutional investors such as pension funds and insurers now face a similar unappealing choice, with ever-fewer safe assets that do not lose them money.
- (e) In June Mark Carney implied that policies of emerging economies are leading to low interest rates globally.

Q4.

- (a) The indicators reflecting a significant fall in demand, especially for sectors such as automobiles, consumer durables and housing.
- (b) India's current economic slowdown is due to a combination of two underlying trends.

- (c) Great power rivalry is back in international politics, making it more unpredictable.
- (d) The other one is the more serious long-term fall in investment and savings rates. Raising growth requires that attention be paid to both cyclical and structural dimensions of the problem.
- (e) There is the short-run cyclical slowdown exhibited by a number of high-frequency indicators,

Q5.

- (a) One common way in which elephants harm trees is by stripping them of their bark.
- (b) But puffinboffins fear that their numbers are falling so fast that in 20 years they may have vanished from the archipelago.
- (c) A tiny uptick in numbers in the past two years won't be enough to save them, he fears. Hunting has been part of the reason.
- (d) In 1997, estimates Jens-Kjeld Jensen, the Faroes' toppuffin expert, the islands were home to 1.5m of the birds; but now their numbers are down by 80%.
- (e) With their engagingly rainbowcoloured beaks, puffins are the star attraction on the Faroe Islands.



Directions (7-15): In the following questions, a word is given in bold followed by three sentences. Choose the appropriate option mentioning the sentence(s) that uses the highlighted word in a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful manner.

Q7.

Extort

- (I) The owners, in turn, have called the lawyers shakedown artists bent on ruining their good reputations to **extort** money.
- (II) Other **extort** or undesired results of vaccination usually appeared in the first day or so after vaccination.
- (III) When we lose touch with our authentic desire, we become listless and extort.
- (a) Only (I)
- (b) Only (II)
- (c) Only (III)
- (d) Both (I) and (II)

(e) Both (II) and (III)

Q8.

Livelihood

- (I) With businesses shut, fields untended and fishing abandoned many have lost their **livelihoods** as well as their homes, our correspondent says.
- (II) People who do not travel into cities to work are much less likely to **livelihoods** restaurants, theatres and shops.
- (III) The streets of Saigon livelihoods with people, noises, and smells like no other city in Asia.
- (a) Only (I)
- (b) Both (I) and (III)
- (c)Only (II)
- (d)Both (I) and (II)
- (e)None of these

Q9.

Capricious

- (I) The taiga and tundra of this region **capricious** with birds and animals, and bloom with wildflowers in early summer.
- (II) Her admirers were **capricious**, returning to her at times, and then holding aloof again; and as for suitors, they entirely disappeared.
- (II) Sponsorships like these keep the store's name firmly in the minds of local bow hunters and motivate them to **capricious** the store.
- (a) Both (I) and (III)
- (b) Only (II)
- (c) Only (I)
- (d) Both (I) and (II)
- (e) None of these

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Q10.

Innate

- (I) The songs are a little more raw this time around, though not drastically enough to **innate** long-time fans.
- (II) It's obvious that bad character traits such as anger, jealousy, and pride **innate** a person from others
- (III) In other words, one of our most essential abilities as humans, reading is the product of a combination of **innate** and learned traits.
- (a)Both (I) and (III)
- (b)Only (I)
- (c)Only (III)
- (d)Both (I) and (II)
- (e)None of these

Q11.

Decorum

- (I) Wishing to observe **decorum** she invited him to stay for supper, though absolutely nothing had been prepared for a guest.
- (II) Although I deal with people at all levels, I maintain a level head and a certain level of **decorum** even when I am very friendly with colleagues.
- (III) Sadie **decorum** acknowledgement that the woman was her mother.
- (a)Both (I) and (III)
- (b)Only(I)
- (c)Only (II)
- (d)Both (I) and (II)
- (e)None of these

Q12.

Infallible

- (I) In its native habitat, the Canary Islands, the bird is a nondescript greenish songster with a melodious **infallible**.
- (II)But conductors are no more **infallible** than other people, and once in a blue moon in going through a train they miss a passenger.
- (III) As box-office receipts have proven that he is no longer **infallible**, it should be a breeze to walk up to him and become his friend in a jiffy
- (a)Both (I) and (III)
- (b)Only (I)
- (c)Only (II)
- (d)Both (II) and (III)
- (e)None of these

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Q13.

Monetary

- (I)A hundred years ago, **monetary** policy control over interest rates and the availability of credit was viewed as a highly contentious political issue.
- (II) Our landlord had neglected to provide screens, and I was unable to open the windows, lest flies **monetary** the house.
- (III) Moreover, in many countries the US dollar exists alongside the local currency as the preferred **monetary** unit.
- (a)Both (I) and (III)
- (b)Only (I)
- (c)Only (II)
- (d)Both (I) and (II)
- (e)None of these

Q14.

Suppliant

- (I)The colonists asked for nothing but what was clearly right and asked in the most respectful and even **suppliant** manner.
- (II) Breaking on the right, he cut in and hit a low, hard shot which the keeper could only **suppliant** into the net.
- (III) A few yards away, a South African officer has found one of the small but highly poisonous scorpions which **suppliant** the area.
- (a)Both (I) and (III)
- (b)Only(I)
- (c)Only (II)
- (d)Both (I) and (II)
- (e)None of these

Q15.

Emulation

- (I) **Emulation** begins very naturally in infancy when the baby apes the parent in speech and behavior.
- (II) Before more money and effort go down the drain, it is time the "smart city leaders" **emulate** the Canadian model.
- (III) There is a stark misinformation **emulation** launched by the Centre and the Governor's administration.
- (a) Only (I)
- (b) Only (II)
- (c) Only (III)
- (d) Both (I) and (II)
- (e) All of the above





Solutions

Sol. The sequence "dbae" makes a coherent passage which talks about how the international trade works within the countries while option (c) talks about the uncertainty of troublesome situation. So option (c) is the correct answer choice.

S2. Ans. (b)

Sol. The sequence "cade" makes a coherent passage which talks about Us China trade issue which is making troublesome situation in the share market while option (b) talks about the emerging market trying to increase their money or other assets held by a central bank or other monetary authority so that it can pay its liabilities, if needed, but developing nations want them to spend more.

This makes our answer option (b) correct.

S3. Ans. (d)

Sol. The sequence "ceba" makes a coherent passage which talks about the blame game between the RBI governor & Bank of England Governor while option (d) talks about the Institutional Investors. This makes our answer option (d) correct.

S4. Ans. (c)

Sol. The sequence "bead" makes a coherent passage which talks about the trends going in Indian Economy and the attention needs to be given so as to raise growth. While option(c) is talking about the two big rivalries group Us & China. So our correct answer is option (c.)

S5. Ans. (a)

Sol. The sequence "ebdc" makes a coherent passage which talks about the downfall of the bird puffinboffins found in Faroes Island while option (a) is talking about the elephant harming the trees. This makes our answer option (a) correct.

S6. Ans. (a)

Sol. The term 'eschew' means 'to deliberately avoid using; abstain from'.

S7. Ans. (d)

Sol. The term 'fallacious' means 'based on a mistaken belief'.

S8. Ans. (c)

Sol. The term 'humiliating' means 'The action of humiliating someone or the state of being humiliate'.

S9. Ans. (b)

Sol. The term 'stimulus' means 'A thing that arouses activity or energy in someone or something; Boost, Stimulant'.

S10. Ans. (c)

Sol. The term 'yearning' means 'A feeling of intense longing for something'.

S11. Ans. (c)

Sol. courteous is an antonym of Churlish.

Churlish means rude in a mean-spirited and surly way.

Courteous means polite, respectful, or considerate in manner.

S12. Ans. (c)

Sol. Creativity is a synonym of Ingenuity.

Ingenuity means the quality of being clever, original, and inventive.

Creativity means the use of imagination or original ideas to create something; inventiveness.

S13. Ans. (c)

Sol. Original is an antonym of Facsimile.

Facsimile means an exact copy, especially of written or printed material.

S14. Ans. (b)

Sol. 'Omen' is a synonym of 'Augury'. Augury means a sign of what will happen in the future; an omen.

S15. Ans. (e)

Sol. 'Inappropriate' is an antonym of 'felicitous'.

'Felicitous' means 'well-chosen or suited to the circumstances.'

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