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Directions (1-8): In the questions given below few sentences are given which are grammatically correct and meaningful. Connect them by the word given above the statements in the best possible way without changing the intended meaning. Choose your answer accordingly from the options to form a correct, coherent sentence.

#### Q1.WHILE

- (A)It was true that the state governments were insisting on keeping the rates high for fear of tax collections falling short.
- (B) The GST Council, though, has to be careful about applying zero rates on more commodities.
- (C) It was never clear why the Centre didn't push for lower rates as it was guaranteeing that states would get 14% growth in their tax revenues in the next five years.
- (D) The GST Council has also done well to simplify filing for around 95% of assessees since, instead of having to file 37 returns a year, those with a turnover of less than Rs 5 crore a year will file one return a quarter plus one master return in a year.

(a)B-D

(b)A-D

(c)A-C

(d) both A-D and B-D

(e) none of these

L1Difficulty 3

**QTags Conjunctions** 

## Q2.ALTHOUGH

- (A) They had to diagnose network issues, where the labels were written in pencil on paper, plastic, metal and after 10 years they start to fade.
- (B) They examined the rest of the garments and each, upon careful observation, was identified in a like fashion.
- (C)Graphite is a compressed powder, it can be worn off, brushed off, and if it's on something bound like a notebook, it will most definitely smudge into illegible markings.
- (D)Some of the markings were so faded they were no longer legible.

(a)A-D

(b)C-D

(c)B-C

(d)B-D

(e) both A-B and B-C

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## Q3. **HOWEVER**

- (A)TheTaiwanese government is claiming that the People's Republic of China would invade the island state if the U.S. withdrew its support for Taipei.
- (B)It is dubious that Beijing has the amphibious assault capacity or capability to conduct a successful sea-based invasion of Taiwan where a forcible entry is required.
- (C)One of the factors that has traditionally prevented Beijing from forcibly retaking the island state by force is geography.
- (D) Chinese capabilities have markedly improved over the course of the past decade and the People's Liberation Army continues to make strides in capability.

- (a)C-D
- (b)A-C
- (c)A-B
- (d)A-D
- (e) None of these
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#### Q4. AS

- (A)The central bank issued a circular three months ago, banning all financial institutions under its control from providing services to companies dealing in crypto currencies.
- (B)The crypto banking ban by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) went into effect at the end of last week.
- (C)A growing number of exchanges have stopped fiat support.
- (D)Indian crypto currency exchanges ramp up peer-to-peer and crypto-to-crypto trading.
- (a)A-B
- (b)C-D
- (c)A-C
- (d) both A-D and B-C
- (e) both D-B and D-A
- L1Difficulty 3
- **QTags Conjunctions**

#### 05. **BUT**

- (A) Ecommerce companies in India have been criticized for predatory pricing.
- (B) The key officials of China met this week to set economic policy for the next year.
- (C) Trump campaigned on reducing the US military presence abroad.
- (D) In office Trump agreed to expand and extend military presence.
- (a) Only A-D
- (b) Only C-D
- (c) Only A-C
- (d) Both C-D and D-C
- (e) None of these
- L1Difficulty 3
- **QTags Conjunctions**

## Q6. ASSUMING THAT

- (A) The screw heads will not move at all with respect to each other,
- (B) The screw, the lever, the wedge, the pulley, etc. are called simple machines
- (C) Investigators have discovered that the crash of the space shuttle was caused by a loose screw
- (D) Both screws are being rotated at the same angular velocity
- (a) Only A-D
- (b) Only B-C
- (c) Only A-C
- (d) Both A-C and B-D
- (e) None of these
- L1Difficulty 3
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#### Q7. EVEN IF

(A) Fred was frightened enough of the court system already.

- (B) I'm determined to prove my innocence.
- (C) It means going to the highest court in the land.
- (D) This court business changes everything.
- (a) Only D-A
- (b) Only B-C
- (c) Only A-C
- (d) Both A-C and B-D
- (e) None of these
- L1Difficulty 3

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#### Q8. ONLY IF

- (A) Experts cannot agree on the causes of criminal behavior.
- (B) The concept of statistical deviance determines that a behavior is abnormal.
- (C) In statistics, deviance is a goodness-of-fit statistic for a statistical model.
- (D) The behavior occurs infrequently among the members of the group as a whole.
- (a) Only D-A
- (b) Only B-C
- (c) Only B-D
- (d) Both A-C and B-D
- (e) None of these
- L1Difficulty 3

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# Direction (9-15): 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.

- Q9. (I) The new timed finishing feature will undoubtedly be the biggest adjustment in playing FIFA.
- (II) It gives the option to shoot/head the ball better by utilising a double tap of circle in order to generate more power, swerve and accuracy.
- (i) The new timed finishing feature gives the...
- (ii) The option to shoot/head...
- (iii) The biggest adjustment...
- (a) Only (II)
- (b) Both (I) and (III)
- (c) only (III)
- (d) All (I), (II) and (III)
- (e) None of these
- L1Difficulty 3
- QTags starter
- Q10. (I) Medical student Josh Guild realized that infections continue to remain problematic following surgery in the developing world.
- (II) Nurses receive little training to prevent the infections post-surgery.
- (i) The reason that infections continue...
- (ii) Since nurses receive little training...
- (iii) Due to the little training...
- (a) Only (II)
- (b) Both (I) and (III)

- (c) only (III)
- (d) All (I), (II) and (III)
- (e) None of these
- L1Difficulty 3
- QTags starter
- Q11. (I) While there is scope to improve the FRL's operational aspects,
- (II) More substantive changes to the framework should be approached as part of a comprehensive plan.
- (i) Realizing that while there...
- (ii) In the view of the fact that there is...
- (iii) In the knowledge of scope...
- (a) Both (I) and (II)
- (b) Both (I) and (III)
- (c) only (III)
- (d) All (I), (II) and (III)
- (e) None of these
- L1Difficulty 3
- OTags starter
- Q12. (I) CBSE schools have decided to cut short the Onam holidays to compensate for the working days lost due to heavy rain.
- (II) The Kerala State Commission for Protection of Child Rights has criticized CBSE schools for their decision.
- (i) Reviewing the decision of...
- (ii) Owing to heavy rain, the decision of...
- (iii) The decision of CBSE schools...
- (a) Both (I) and (II)
- (b) Only (iii)
- (c) Both (II) and (III)
- (d) All (I), (II) and (III)
- (e) None of these
- L1Difficulty 3
- QTags starter
- Q13. (I) A lot of contestants in every season, even the most memorable ones can end up getting buried within the large franchise.
- (II) A lot of contestants have done what they can to cement their place in Bachelor Nation history.
- (i) Nonetheless, a lot of contestants have done...
- (ii) In contempt of a lot of contestants in every....
- (iii) Even though a lot of contestants have...
- (a) Both (I) and (III)
- (b) Only (iii)
- (c) Both (II) and (III)
- (d) All (I), (II) and (III)
- (e) None of these
- L1Difficulty 3
- QTags starter
- Q14. (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.

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QTags starter

- Q15. (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)

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QTags starter

## **Solutions**

## S1. Ans.(c)

Sol. The appropriate choice is option (c). The sentence can be used with the conjunction *while* in such a way, "While it was true that the state governments were insisting on keeping the rates high for fear of tax collections falling short, it was never clear why the Centre didn't push for lower rates as it was guaranteeing that states would get 14% growth in their tax revenues in the next five years." All the other options fail to satisfy the given conjunction while.

#### S2. Ans.(d)

Sol. The most suitable choice here is option (d). Although and though both mean "in spite of something." They are subordinating conjunctions. This means that the clause that they introduce is a subordinate clause which needs a main clause to make it complete. The sentences can be combined with the given conjunction in such a form, "They examined the rest of the garments and each, upon careful observation, was identified in a like fashion although some of the markings were so faded they were no longer legible."

## S3. Ans.(c)

Sol. The appropriate option here is option (c). However is a conjunction which is used to introduce a statement that contrasts with or seems to contradict something that has been said previously. Here however can be used in the following way to combine the given sentences (A) and (B) i.e. "The Taiwanese government is claiming that the People's Republic of China would invade the island state if the U.S. withdrew its support for Taipei, however, it is dubious that Beijing has the amphibious assault capacity or capability to conduct a successful sea-based invasion of Taiwan where a forcible entry is required."

S4. Ans.(b)

Sol. The most suitable choice is option (b). As, when used in the form of conjunction is used to indicate that something happens during the time when something else is taking place. The two sentences (C) and (D) can be combined in the given way by using this conjunction: "A growing number of exchanges have stopped fiat support as Indian crypto currency exchanges ramp up peer-to-peer and crypto-to-crypto trading."

## S5. Ans. (d)

Sol. The combinations C-D and D-C can successfully frame grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence using the connector "BUT". But as a conjunction is used to introduce an added statement, usually something that is different from what you have said before. Therefore the sentences thus formed are:

**Combination C-D**"Trump campaigned on reducing the US military presence abroad, but in office he agreed to expand and extend that presence"

**Combinations D-C** "In office Trump agreed to expand and extend military presence but he campaigned on reducing the US military presence abroad."

All the other combinations fail to frame a meaningful sentence; hence, option (d) is the most suitable answer choice.

#### S6. Ans. (a)

Sol. Statements (A) and (D) can be joined together using the connector "assuming that" to form a coherent sentence. "Assuming that" as a conjunction is used to express that something is accepted as true without question or proof. Therefore, the sentence thus formed is "The screw heads will not move at all with respect to each other, assuming that both screws are being rotated at the same angular velocity." All the other combinations fail to frame a meaningful sentence; hence, option (a) is the most suitable answer choice.

## S7. Ans. (b)

Sol. Statements (B) and (C) can be joined together using the connector "even if" to form a coherent sentence. "Even if" is used to stress that something will happen despite something else that might prevent it. Therefore, the sentence thus formed is "I'm determined to prove my innocence even if that means going to the highest court in the land." All the other combinations fail to frame a meaningful sentence; hence, option (b) is the most suitable answer choice.

#### S8. Ans. (c)

Sol. Statements (B) and (D) can be joined together using the connector "only if" to form a coherent sentence. "Only if" expresses a strong condition or the only situation in which something can happen. Moreover, 'only if' makes the condition more restrictive. Therefore, the sentence thus formed is "The concept of statistical deviance determines that a behavior is abnormal only if it occurs infrequently among the members of the group as a whole." All the other combinations fail to frame a meaningful sentence; hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice.

## S9. Ans.(b)

- Sol. Both the starters (i) and (iii) can be used to frame a meaningful sentence without altering the exact meaning of the given sentences. However, it is not possible to construct a contextual sentence using the second starter as it would alter the intended meaning. Hence option (b) is the correct choice.
- (i) "The new timed finishing feature that gives the option to shoot/head the ball better by utilising a double tap of circle in order to generate more power, swerve and accuracy will undoubtedly be the biggest adjustment in playing FIFA".
- (iii) "The biggest adjustment in playing FIFA will undoubtedly be the new timed finishing feature which basically gives the option to shoot/head the ball better by utilising a double tap of circle in order to generate more power, swerve and accuracy".

## S10. Ans.(e)

- Sol. All the three starters can be used to frame a meaningful sentence without altering the intended meaning of the given sentences. Hence option (e) is the correct choice.
- (i) The reason that infections continue to remain problematic following surgery in the developing world is that nurses receive little training to prevent them, medical student Josh Guild realized.
- (ii) Since nurses receive little training to prevent infections, the infections continue to remain problematic following surgery in the developing world, medical student Josh Guild realized.
- (iii) Due to the little training received by the nurses to prevent the infections post-surgery, the infections continue to remain problematic following surgery in the developing world, medical student Josh Guild realized.

#### S11. Ans. (a)

- Sol. Both the starters (i) and (ii) can be used to frame a meaningful sentence without altering the exact meaning of the given sentences. However, it is not possible to construct a contextual sentence using the third starter as it would alter the intended meaning. Hence option (a) is the correct choice.
- (i) "Realizing that while there is scope to improve the FRL's operational aspects, more substantive changes to the framework should be approached as part of a comprehensive plan".
- (ii) "In the view of the fact that there is scope to improve the FRL's operational aspects, more substantive changes to the framework should be approached as part of a comprehensive plan".

## S12. Ans. (c)

- Sol. Both the starters (ii) and (iii) can be used to frame a meaningful sentence without altering the exact meaning of the given sentences. However, it is not possible to construct a contextual sentence using the first starter as it would alter the intended meaning. Hence option (c) is the correct choice.
- (ii) Owing to heavy rain, the decision of CBSE schools to cut short the Onam holidays to compensate for the working days lost due to heavy rains has received criticism from the Kerala State Commission for Protection of Child Rights.
- (iii) The decision of CBSE schools to cut short the Onam holidays to compensate for the working days lost owing to heavy rain has drawn criticism from the Kerala State Commission for Protection of Child Rights.

## S13. Ans. (b)

- Sol. Only (iii) can be used to frame a meaningful sentence without altering the exact meaning of the given sentences. However, it is not possible to construct a contextual sentence using the first and second starter as it would alter the intended meaning. Hence option (b) is the correct choice.
- (iii) "Even though a lot of contestants have done what they can to cement their place in Bachelor Nation history, a lot of them in every season, even the most memorable ones can end up getting buried within the large franchise."

#### S14.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.

## S15. 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.