

**English Practice Questions For RBI Grade B 2023**

**Directions (1-10): Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. Some words in the passage have been highlighted to aid in answering the question.**

On April 26, the Union Cabinet approved the National Medical Devices Policy, 2023. The policy endeavours to facilitate an orderly growth of the sector and in turn, achieve the public health objectives of access, affordability, quality and innovation. It is expected to help the domestic medical devices sector market grow from \$11 billion to \$50 billion by 2030 alongside achieving a 10-12% global market share over the next 25 years. The aim is to provide the required support and direction, and help the sector become “competitive, self-reliant, resilient and innovative” to cater not only to domestic but global needs.

The most significant of the introduced measures entail regulatory streamlining. The policy enhances the role of the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) along with designing a **coherent** pricing regulation.

Pricing regulation is particularly important for addressing a broader challenge in the domestic device manufacturing sector. Rajiv Nath, Forum Coordinator at the Association of Indian Medical Devices Manufacturers (AiMeD) told that some private hospitals give higher priced products instead of available low-cost options.

“Because of this, the manufacturer or importer of India is tied up in a system of market operating with artificially inflated MRP labelled on the device,” said Mr. Nath, adding separately, “we have been seeking MRP of imports be monitored and compared with imports’ landed prices and steps taken to control when found irrationally excessive.”

To ensure a skilled workforce and create future ready MedTech human resources, comprising scientists, regulators, health experts, managers, and technicians, the policy would support dedicated multidisciplinary courses for medical devices, including futuristic medical technologies, high-end manufacturing and research. This would complement the Department’s proposed National Policy on Research and Development alongside innovation in the pharma-MedTech sector in India. Further, centres of excellence in academic and research institutions, innovation hubs, and ‘plug and play’ infrastructure are also being planned, alongside support to start-ups.

The policy also seeks to establish and strengthen large medical device parks and **clusters** with quality infrastructure facilities close to economic zones with requisite logistics connectivity. This is expected to be a collaborative venture with the State governments and industry, resulting in better convergence and backward integration with the industry. Ensuring an ecosystem to encourage private investments, series of funding from venture capitalists and potential public-private partnerships (PPP) is a key component of this endeavour. This will also be supplemented intervention programs such as Make in India, Ayushman Bharat, Heal-in-India and Start-up mission.

**Q1.** The National Medical Devices Policy, 2023 aims to help the domestic medical devices sector market grow from \$11 billion to \$50 billion by 2030. Which of the following is NOT an objective of the policy?

- (a) To achieve access to affordable medical devices
- (b) To ensure quality medical devices
- (c) To promote innovation in the medical devices sector
- (d) To increase the number of medical device manufacturers in India
- (e) To improve healthcare infrastructure in rural areas

**Q2.** Which of the following is the most likely impact of the policy on the medical devices sector in India?

- (a) The sector will grow at a faster rate
- (b) The sector will become more competitive
- (c) The sector will become more self-reliant
- (d) The sector will become more innovative
- (e) The sector will become more affordable



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**Q3.** Which of the following is NOT a measure that the policy proposes to take to achieve its objectives?

- (a) Regulatory streamlining
- (b) Skill development
- (c) Infrastructure development
- (d) Public-private partnerships
- (e) Promoting the use of traditional Indian medical devices

**Q4.** Which of the following statements is most likely to be a direct outcome of the National Medical Devices Policy, 2023?

- (a) The medical devices sector in India will grow from \$11 billion to \$50 billion by 2030.
- (b) The medical devices sector in India will achieve a 10-12% global market share over the next 25 years.
- (c) India will become a global hub for medical devices manufacturing.
- (d) The medical devices sector in India will become more competitive in the global market.
- (e) The medical devices sector in India will create more jobs.

**Q5.** From among the following given options, choose the word most similar in meaning to the similar word "entail", as used in the context of the passage.

- (a) debar
- (b) mislay
- (c) reject
- (d) embrace
- (e) omit

**Q6.** Choose the most suitable antonym of the word "coherent", as highlighted in the given passage.

- (a) sophistic
- (b) cognitive
- (c) syllogistic
- (d) tenable
- (e) empiric

**Q7.** Find the suitable word to fill the given below blank taken from the passage.

The policy also seeks to establish and strengthen large medical device parks and clusters with quality infrastructure facilities close to economic zones with \_\_\_\_\_ logistics connectivity.

- (a) undesired
- (b) external
- (c) requisite
- (d) extraneous
- (e) surplus

**Q8.** From among the following given options, choose the word most similar in meaning to the similar word "clusters", as used in the context of the passage.

- (a) units
- (b) items
- (c) entities
- (d) singles
- (e) clumps

**Q9.** Which of the following best describes the tone of the passage?

- (a) Optimistic
- (b) Critical
- (c) Neutral
- (d) Pessimistic
- (e) Informative

**Q10.** Which of the following measures is being taken to ensure a skilled workforce in the medical devices sector?

- (a) Dedicated multidisciplinary courses for medical devices.
- (b) Centers of excellence in academic and research institutions.
- (c) Innovation hubs.
- (d) 'Plug and play' infrastructure.
- (e) All of the above.

**Directions (11-20):** Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is 'No error', the answer is (e). (Ignore errors of punctuation, if any).

**Q11.** Pricing regulation is particular (A)/ important for addressing a broader (B)/ challenge in the domestic (C)/ device manufacturing sector (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q12.** The policy envisages the creation (A)/ of a dedicated Export Promotion (B)/ Council for the sector in the (C)/ Department of Health (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q13.** South Western Railway (SWR) has updated the (A)/ Unreserved Ticketing System (UTS) app focusing on simplify (B)/ the process of switching handsets and ensuring (C)/ a seamless transition from one device to another (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q14.** By casting a shadow on the (A)/ public's perception of what is (B)/ legal tender, the RBI destabilize (C)/ confidence in the rupee (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q15.** Social media is especially (A)/ unsparing, with its relentless (B)/ updates hogging our attention (C)/ and shrink its span (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q16.** AI chatbots are prone to a phenomenon (A)/ known as "hallucination," in which they generate results (C)/ that sound realistic and accurate, but (C)/ are revealed to be fiction above verification (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q17.** The inauguration of a new (A)/ Parliament building present an (B)/ opportunity for us to seriously introspect on (C)/ our parliamentary conduct (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q18.** The first and foremost thing that comes (A)/ to mind when speaking of the value of a (B)/ currency is the exchange rate it commands (C)/ in international transactions (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q19.** The pleasure of (A)/ visiting the library has become (B)/ alien to the (C)/ younger generation (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q20.** India is not the first country (A)/ to have constructing a new Parliament (B)/ building due to paucity of space and (C)/ to meet the changing needs (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Directions (21-27):** In the following passage, some of the words have been left out, each of which is indicated by a number. Find the suitable word from the options given against each number and fill up the blanks with appropriate words to make the paragraph meaningfully complete.

**Q21.** India has a young population \_\_**(1)**\_\_ a median age of 27.6 years. Therefore, unlike in most developed countries and China, problems of the elderly, of the kind discussed in a recent \_\_**(2)**\_\_ of ageing by the Economist, are not a hot-button public policy issue. But that would \_\_**(3)**\_\_ the higher proportion of the elderly in the southern states and among \_\_**(4)**\_\_ sections elsewhere.

While the under-14s account for 28% of India's population, about 66% are in the age group 15-65. That leaves 6% of the population who are 65-plus. The potential support ratio, the number of working age persons per senior citizen is thus 11, a far cry from Japan's 2.1. But, while the problem lacks urgency, this is the right time to act. By \_\_**(5)**\_\_ the National Pension System's architecture of funded pensions while the country is still young, India has chosen to

avoid the problems that befall a pay-as-you-go system of pensions when the working population (6) in relation to that of the elderly who do not work. Similar prudential action is required in other (7) fronts.

- (a) consisting
- (b) with
- (c) in
- (d) contains
- (e) have

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- (a) reports
- (b) opinion
- (c) trial
- (d) survey
- (e) rating

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- (a) negate
- (b) abrogate
- (c) despise
- (d) ignore
- (e) provoke

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- (a) superfluous
- (b) affluent
- (c) auxiliary
- (d) liberal
- (e) extreme

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- (a) commencing
- (b) accomplishing
- (c) effecting
- (d) executing
- (e) creating

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- (a) shrinks
- (b) mitigates
- (c) undermines
- (d) disables
- (e) restrains

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- (a) developing
- (b) raising
- (c) evolving
- (d) ageing
- (e) mollifying

**Directions (28-30):** In each question below a sentence with four words printed in bold type is given. These are numbered as (a), (b), (c) and (d). One of these four words printed in bold may be either wrongly spelt or inappropriate in the context of the sentence. Find out the word which is wrongly spelt or inappropriate if any. The number of that word is your answer. If all the words printed in bold are correctly spelt and also appropriate in the context of the sentence, mark (e) i.e. 'All correct' as your answer.

**Q28.** Under **existing** (A) / regulations we are not **permitted** (B) / to **owe** (C) / more than a forty percent **share** (D) / of the family business. All correct (E).

- (a) existing
- (b) permitted
- (c) owe
- (d) share
- (e) All correct

**Q29.** In case of any land **dispute** (A) / panchayat **officials** (B) / will **determine** (C) / how the property is to be **dividend** (D) / All correct (E).

- (a) dispute
- (b) officials
- (c) determine
- (d) dividend
- (e) All correct

**Q30.** The World Bank has **deviated** (A) / to **sanction** (B) / the **necessary** (C) / **finance** (D) / for the project. All correct (E).

- (a) deviated
- (b) sanction
- (c) necessary
- (d) finance
- (e) All correct

**Directions (31-32):** Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is 'No error', the answer is (e). (Ignore errors of punctuation, if any.)

**Q31.** The father forbade his son (A)/ to walk in the sun (B)/ and play with (C)/ his friends on the road (D)/ No error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) E

**Q32.** They exclaimed with delight that it (A)/ was a very beautiful picture (B)/ and said that they have never seen (C)/ such a beautiful picture before (D)/ no error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) E

**Directions (33):** There are two different sentences with a blank space in each sentence. Choose the word from the given options which fits into both the blanks appropriately without altering their meanings.

**Q33.** (I) It had an absurd \_\_\_\_\_ and a strange uniform.

(II) Green tea is an essential part of the daily \_\_\_\_\_ in China.

- (a) Ascetic
- (b) Private
- (c) ritual
- (d) Individual
- (e) Deserted

**Directions (34-40):** In the following passage, some of the words have been left out, each of which is indicated by a number. Find the suitable word from the options given against each number and fill up the blanks with appropriate words to make the paragraph meaningfully complete.

**Q34.** The (34) transition of the country's indirect taxes, other than Customs, to a goods and services tax has so far been relatively smooth, not dismissing minor (35). But there are a few more things the government can do to make things even simpler and prevent the kind of political (36) that has accompanied switchover to a similar value-added tax in other countries. The biggest source of (37) is small suppliers, who are (38) from GST below a threshold. But that will not help them if people who traditionally have been (39) from them shift to large suppliers who are GST-compliant and upload the returns and invoices the customers (40) to claim input tax credit.

- (a) accepted
- (b) modern
- (c) established
- (d) ongoing
- (e) universal

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- (a) glitches
- (b) need
- (c) dearth
- (d) shortage
- (e) absence

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- (a) ramification
- (b) issue
- (c) implication
- (d) complication
- (e) backlash

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- (a) affliction
- (b) doubt
- (c) worry
- (d) distribution
- (e) troubles

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- (a) appease
- (b) exempt
- (c) remit
- (d) acquit
- (e) discharge

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- (a) postulating
- (b) travelling
- (c) sanctioning
- (d) sourcing
- (e) causing

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- (a) suggestion
- (b) obligation
- (c) advance
- (d) request
- (e) need

**Directions (41-45):** In the passage given below there are blanks which are to be filled with the options given below. Find out the appropriate pair of words in each case which can most suitably complete the sentence without altering the meaning of the statement.

**Q41.** The field of artificial intelligence (AI) has made significant ..... (1) ..... in recent years, with applications ranging from autonomous vehicles to virtual assistants. AI systems are designed to mimic human ..... (2) ..... and perform tasks that typically

require human intelligence. However, there are concerns regarding the ..... (3) ..... implications of AI. The increasing ..... (4) ..... of AI has raised questions about job security and the potential for ..... (5) ..... bias in decision-making algorithms.

- (a) advancements
- (b) reductions
- (c) expulsions
- (d) suspensions
- (e) demotions

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- (a) cessation
- (b) behavior
- (c) idleness
- (d) silence
- (e) listening

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- (a) ethical
- (b) corrupt
- (c) unjust
- (d) immoral
- (e) unrighteous

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- (a) repudiation
- (b) adoption
- (c) opposition
- (d) abdication
- (e) relinquishment

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- (a) apparent
- (b) blatant
- (c) unconscious
- (d) manifest
- (e) implicit

**Directions (46-50):** In the passage given below there are blanks which are to be filled with the options given below. Find out the appropriate pair of words in each case which can most suitably complete the sentence without altering the meaning of the statement.

**Q46.** Education plays a crucial role in shaping individuals and societies. It equips learners with the necessary ..... (6) ..... and ..... (7) ..... to navigate the complexities of the modern world. The role of educators is to facilitate learning by creating ..... (8) ..... and engaging environment that fosters intellectual growth and critical thinking. Assessment is an integral part of the educational process, providing feedback on students' progress and understanding of the ..... (9) ..... . Moreover, technology has revolutionized education, enabling learners to access vast amounts of information and collaborate with peers in ..... (10) ..... ways.

- (a) nescience
- (b) disregard
- (c) knowledge
- (d) inexperience
- (e) perspectives

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- (b) awkwardness
- (c) rudeness
- (d) skills
- (e) activities

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- (a) stimulating
- (b) sapping
- (c) boring
- (d) enervating
- (e) debilitating

**Q49.** Education plays a crucial role in shaping individuals and societies. It equips learners with the necessary ..... (6) ..... and ..... (7) ..... to navigate the complexities of the modern world. The role of educators is to facilitate learning by creating ..... (8) ..... and engaging environment that fosters intellectual growth and critical thinking. Assessment is an integral part of the educational process, providing feedback on students' progress and understanding of

the ..... (9) ..... . Moreover, technology has revolutionized education, enabling learners to access vast amounts of information and collaborate with peers in ..... (10) ..... ways.

- (a) issues
- (b) confusion
- (c) curriculum
- (d) unscholarly
- (e) confoundment

**Q50.** Education plays a crucial role in shaping individuals and societies. It equips learners with the necessary ..... (6) ..... and ..... (7) ..... to navigate the complexities of the modern world. The role of educators is to facilitate learning by creating ..... (8) ..... and engaging environment that fosters intellectual growth and critical thinking. Assessment is an integral part of the educational process, providing feedback on students' progress and understanding of the ..... (9) ..... . Moreover, technology has revolutionized education, enabling learners to access vast amounts of information and collaborate with peers in ..... (10) ..... ways.

- (a) innovative
- (b) imitative
- (c) derivative
- (d) pedantic
- (e) stodgy

**Directions (51-60): Each of the following questions give a sentence which has been divided into four parts which might not be in their correct order of narrative. The sentence is then followed by five options, one of which gives the sequence of the rearranged parts to make the sentence meaningful. You must choose the option which gives the correct sequence of the parts. If the sentence is already arranged in the correct sequence or the correct sequence doesn't match with any of the given sequence, mark option (e), i.e., " No arrangement required " as your answer.**

**Q51.** the northeast region's first Vande Bharat (A)/ the journey will take five-and-a-half hours (B)/ Assam with New Jalpaiguri in West Bengal and (C)/ Express train will connect Guwahati in (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) DBAC
- (b) CDAB
- (c) BACD
- (d) ADCB
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q52.** relatively new industry in India (A)/ and operated to fulfil the (B)/ needs of senior citizens are a (C)/ communities designed, managed (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) CBAD
- (b) BDCA
- (c) DBCA
- (d) ADCB
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q53.** predicted that every fifth Indian in 2050 is going to (A)/ a significant rise and it's (B)/ from 2018 till now, there has been (C)/ be a senior citizen (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) ACBD
- (b) CBAD
- (c) BDCA
- (d) DBCA
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q54.** vegetarian sushi and experimental cuisines, cloud (A)/ from gourmet food, and healthy bowls to (B)/ kitchens in the city are (C)/ offering intricate culinary experiences (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) DCBA
- (b) ABDC
- (c) CABD
- (d) BACD
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q55.** belt of the country, are worried by (A)/ the twin blows of falling productivity and (B)/ planters of Darjeeling, the premium tea (C)/ low price realization in their export markets (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) BACD
- (b) CABD
- (c) DBCA
- (d) ACBD
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q56.** the idea is to ensure that online (A)/ games are in conformity with Indian (B)/ users against potential harm (C)/ laws and to safeguard (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) ABDC
- (b) ADCB
- (c) CABD
- (d) DBCA
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q57.** norms for verification and user engagement (A)/ introducing set procedures and (B)/ safeguarding the interests of users by (C)/ the proposals are aimed at (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) DCBA
- (b) ABDC
- (c) CABD
- (d) BADC
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q58.** bodies under the proposed framework (A)/ responsibility of recognizing and (B)/ if required, unrecognizing all self-regulated (C)/ MeitY is entrusted with the (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) ABDC
- (b) DBCA
- (c) CBAD
- (d) ADCB
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q59.** prototype, the Kiran Nadar Museum of Art (KNMA) has (A)/ to mark the launch of the (B)/ museum's collection, spanning over a century (C)/ curated an exhibition showcasing artworks from the (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) DBCA
- (b) ADCB
- (c) CDBA
- (d) BADC
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q60.** there is some passive (A)/ buoyed by public-spirited (B)/ discrimination even as the languages' fates are (C)/ research and innovation (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) DBCA
- (b) BACD
- (c) CABD
- (d) ACBD
- (e) No arrangement required

**Directions (61-70):** In the questions given below two sentences are given which are grammatically correct and meaningful. Connect them by the word given below the statements in the best possible way without changing the intended meaning. Choose your answer accordingly from the options which form a correct, coherent sentence.

- Q61.** (I) He could ask for a raise  
(II) He could start looking for a new job
- (a) and
  - (b) along with
  - (c) alternatively
  - (d) furthermore
  - (e) for sure

**Q62.** (I) The weather forecast predicts rain for the weekend

(II) Strong winds are also expected to accompany the rain

- (a) moreover
- (b) meanwhile
- (c) consequently
- (d) however
- (e) apart from

**Q63.** (I) Her professional achievements

(II) Lisa is actively involved in charitable work

- (a) to sum up
- (b) even though
- (c) such as
- (d) apart from
- (e) since

**Q64.** (I) The stock market crashed

(II) Many investors suffered significant financial losses.

- (a) indeed
- (b) consequently
- (c) while
- (d) likewise
- (e) despite this

**Q65.** (I) The hotel had luxurious amenities

(II) the customer service was lacking

- (a) therefore
- (b) moreover
- (c) since
- (d) as well as
- (e) however

**Q66.** (I) The house was small and outdated

(II) they decided to purchase it and renovate it to their liking.

- (a) Despite this
- (b) such as
- (c) overall
- (d) likewise
- (e) subsequently

**Q67.** (I) The park is known for its beautiful landscape

(II) It offers various recreational activities for visitors to enjoy

- (a) eventually
- (b) notably
- (c) nevertheless
- (d) while
- (e) likewise

**Q68.** (I) The research study provides evidence of the health benefits of a balanced diet

(II) It emphasizes the importance of regular exercise in maintaining overall well-being

- (a) since
- (b) even though
- (c) furthermore
- (d) whereas
- (e) because

**Q69.** (I) I stretched my muscles

(II) Waiting for the bus to arrive

- (a) furthermore
- (b) first of all
- (c) moreover
- (d) while
- (e) additionally

**Q70.** (I) The budget was tight

(II) They managed to organize a memorable event within the constraints

- (a) hence
- (b) nevertheless
- (c) since
- (d) as well
- (e) thus

**Directions (71-75):** In each of the following questions, a word is given followed by five options. Find the word which is most similar in meaning with the given word and mark that as your answer.

**Q71. BRINK**

- (a) leave
- (b) center
- (c) retreat
- (d) let go
- (e) abut

**Q72. COMMUNAL**

- (a) synergic
- (b) solitary
- (c) esoteric
- (d) sole
- (e) exclusive

**Q73. VENALITY**

- (a) uprightness
- (b) virtuousness
- (c) roguishness
- (d) scrupulousness
- (e) righteousness

**Q74. ENDURED**

- (a) combated
- (b) spurned
- (c) eluded
- (d) bypassed
- (e) swallowed

**Q75. STAUNCH**

- (a) apathetic
- (b) fervent
- (c) shaky
- (d) fickle
- (e) dubious

**Directions (76-80):** In each of the following questions, a word is given followed by five options. Find the word which is most opposite in meaning with the given word and mark that as your answer.

**Q76. INANE**

- (a) lunatic
- (b) haphazard
- (c) fatuous
- (d) eloquent
- (e) asinine

**Q77. STRIDENT**

- (a) squeaky
- (b) treble
- (c) muffled
- (d) jangly
- (e) brassy

**Q78. AGONY**

- (a) lark
- (b) calvary
- (c) thorn
- (d) ordeal
- (e) gall

**Q79. SOLACE**

- (a) cheer
- (b) succor
- (c) assuagement
- (d) anguish
- (e) alleviation

**Q80. EMBRACE**

- (a) cling
- (b) denude
- (c) pat
- (d) enclasp
- (e) snuggle

**Directions (81-85):** Rearrange the following sentences in the proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph; then answer the questions given below them.

(A) Composite foods, a mixture of plant and processed constituents, cannot be called 'natural', instead, they can say 'made from natural ingredients'.

(B) Apart from 'natural', 'fresh' can be used for products which are not processed in any manner other than washing, peeling, chilling, trimming, cutting or irradiation by ionizing radiation not exceeding 1 kGy or any other processing such that it remains safe for consumption with the basic characteristics unaltered.

(C) A food product can be referred to as 'natural' if it is a single food derived from a recognised natural source and has nothing added to it.

(D) It should only have been processed to render it suitable for human consumption.

(E) The packaging too must be done sans chemicals and preservatives.

**Q81.** Which of the following should be the **third** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) D
- (b) A
- (c) B
- (d) E
- (e) C

**Q82.** Which of the following should be the **first** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) A
- (b) D
- (c) E
- (d) B
- (e) C

**Q83.** Which of the following should be the **second** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) C
- (b) E
- (c) D
- (d) A
- (e) B

**Q84.** Which of the following should be the **fifth** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) B
- (b) E
- (c) D
- (d) C
- (e) A

**Q85.** Which of the following should be the **fourth** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) C
- (b) B
- (c) E
- (d) D
- (e) A

**Directions (86-90):** Rearrange the following sentences in the proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph; then answer the questions given below them.

(A) Faculty shortages have existed in India's higher education sector at least since the 1980s, but seem to have become permanent today.

(B) For teaching purposes, online education is useful, but it cannot replace classroom instruction.

(C) Colleges and universities need a sufficient number of teachers and researchers to create and disseminate knowledge.

(D) The paucity of a sufficient number of faculty members undermines the growth of the country's knowledge sector and hinders its aspiration to be recognised as a "vishwa guru".

(E) And for research, there really is no substitute for a larger body of qualified faculty members.

**Q86.** Which of the following should be the **second** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) D
- (b) A
- (c) B
- (d) E
- (e) C

**Q87.** Which of the following should be the **last** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) A
- (b) D
- (c) E
- (d) B
- (e) C

**Q88.** Which of the following should be the **third** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) C
- (b) E
- (c) D
- (d) A
- (e) B

**Q89.** Which of the following should be the **first** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) B
- (b) E
- (c) D
- (d) C
- (e) A

**Q90.** Which of the following should be the **fourth** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) C
- (b) B
- (c) E
- (d) D
- (e) A

**Directions (91-95):** Each question below has two blanks, each blank indicating that something has been omitted. Choose the set of words for each blank which best fits the meaning of the sentence as a whole.

**Q91.** The scientists \_\_\_\_\_ their cataclysmic event using an instrument so \_\_\_\_\_ it could detect a change in the distance between the solar system and the nearest star four light years away to the thickness of a human hair.

- (a) Noticed, Accurate
- (b) Measured, Sensitive
- (c) Found, Careful
- (d) Identified, Accurate
- (e) Detected, Sensitive

**Q92.** The proposed agreement will further \_\_\_\_\_ the close economic relationship and \_\_\_\_\_ between India and the UAE.

- (a) Strengthen, cooperation
- (b) Improve, leadership
- (c) Benefit, fellowship
- (d) Motivate, relationship
- (e) Enhance, leadership

**Q93.** Infrastructure is a major \_\_\_\_\_ and the budget for infrastructure development should be \_\_\_\_\_ appropriately to ensure that the amazing Make in India campaign can turn into a reality sooner rather than later.

- (a) agenda, assigned
- (b) issue, allocated
- (c) motive, granted
- (d) agenda, issued
- (e) matter, awarded

**Q94.** While the JNU community upholds the right to free debate on campus, the university strongly \_\_\_\_\_ the use of the university as a platform for activities that \_\_\_\_\_ the Constitution and the laws of the land.

- (a) Criticizes, degrade
- (b) Approves, destroy
- (c) Clears, respect
- (d) Condemns, violate
- (e) Admits, disrupt

**Q95.** While the government has been able to \_\_\_\_\_ on their promises in education, health, power and water sectors, the increasing public \_\_\_\_\_ between the AAP government and the L-G have put citizens in the crossfire.

- (a) deliver, agreement
- (b) drop, friction
- (c) deliver, spats
- (d) move, discord
- (e) pass, opinion

**Directions (96-100):** Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is (e). (Ignore errors of punctuation, if any.)

**Q96.** He got to the top (A)/ and was very disappointed (B)/ when he found that (C)/ someone else has reached it first. (D)/ No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) E

**Q97.** The paper displays (A)/ the author's grasp of the subject (B)/ which not only stems from his experience (C)/ but also from his original thinking. (D)/ No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) E

**Q98.** No source of energy (A)/ is so cheap (B)/ as the solar energy (C)/ in the present age of energy crises. (D)/ No Error (E).

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) E

**Q99.** Carrying such a large (A)/ amount of money (B)/ with you (C)/ is dangerous in Mumbai.(D)/ No Error (E).

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) E

**Q100.** India's independence (A)/ had been a result (B)/ of the sacrifices of (C)/ many patriots. (D)/ No Error (E).

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) E

**Directions (101-105):** Rearrange the following sentences (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), and (G) in the proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph; then answer the questions given below them.

(A) The merchant and his donkey were walking along together. They had not walked far when they reached a river on the way.

(B) There was nothing the merchant could do except return home, where he loaded his donkey with more bags of salt. As they reached the slippery riverbank again, the donkey fell into the river, this time deliberately. Thus the salt was wasted again.

(C) One beautiful spring morning, a merchant loaded his donkey with bags of salt to go to the market, in order to sell the salt.

(D) The merchant laughed at the donkey and said, "You foolish donkey, your trick has been discovered. You should know that you cannot fool anyone too many times."

(E) By now the merchant knew the donkey's trick. He wanted to teach the animal a lesson. As he returned home the second time with the donkey, the merchant loaded bags of sponges on its back.

(F) The duo set out on their trip to the market a third time. On reaching the river, the donkey very cleverly fell into the water again. But now, instead of the load becoming lighter, it became heavier.

(G) Unfortunately, the donkey slipped and fell into the river. As it scrambled up the bank of the river, it noticed that the bags of salt loaded on his back had become lighter.

**Q101.** Which of the following should be the **FIRST** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) A
- (b) D
- (c) B
- (d) C
- (e) G

**Q102.** Which of the following should be the **THIRD** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) B
- (b) A
- (c) G
- (d) F
- (e) E

**Q103.** Which of the following should be the **SECOND** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) A
- (b) F
- (c) D
- (d) G
- (e) E

**Q104.** Which of the following should be the **FIFTH** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) E
- (b) B
- (c) F
- (d) C
- (e) G

**Q105.** Which of the following should be the **SEVENTH (LAST)** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) G
- (b) F
- (c) E
- (d) D
- (e) B

**Directions (106-110):** Each question below has two blanks, each blank indicating that something has been omitted. Choose the set of words for each blank that best fits the meaning of the sentence as whole.

**Q106.** She was a/an \_\_\_\_\_ liar who had mastered the art of making untrue statements in a manner that sounded \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) Congenial, creditable
- (b) Incurable, plausible
- (c) Convincing, illogical
- (d) Blatant, incongruous
- (e) sordid, moronic

**Q107.** Physicians may soon have ..... to help paralysed people move their limbs by bypassing the ..... nerves that once controlled their muscles.

- (a) instruments, detrimental
- (b) ways, damaged
- (c) reason, involuntary
- (d) impediments, complex
- (e) apparatus, disturbed

**Q108.** The internet is a medium where the users have nearly ..... choices and ..... constraints about where to go and what to do.

- (a) unbalanced, non-existent
- (b) embarrassing, no
- (c) unlimited, minimal
- (d) choking, shocking
- (e) maximum, few

**Q109.** Environmental studies ..... an essential part of school education and they should be ..... to young children as well.

- (a) cover, inculcated
- (b) comprise, given
- (c) constitute, imparted
- (d) include, provided
- (e) makes, bestowed

**Q110.** The different moods of the subjects had a direct ..... not only on what was observed but, even more ....., on the meaning of what was perceived.

- (a) effect, strongly
- (b) impact, than
- (c) power, what
- (d) understanding, accurately
- (e) affect, hugely

**Directions (111-120):** In each of the question given below, a statement has been given with a blank. Some words or phrases have been given in the options following the statement. Choose the most appropriate word or phrase that could fit in the statement to make it contextually meaningful and grammatically correct.

**Q111.** There is some passive discrimination even as the languages' \_\_\_ are buoyed by public-spirited research and innovation.

- (a) causations
- (b) roots
- (c) stimuli
- (d) impetuses
- (e) fates

**Q112.** There are two main obstacles to finding \_\_\_\_\_ solutions to faculty shortages.

- (a) futile
- (b) absurd
- (c) viable
- (d) vain
- (e) unviable

**Q113.** The new food-growing schemes are also more \_\_\_\_\_, and promise to be far more nutritious

- (a) appetizing
- (b) boring
- (c) horrid
- (d) insipid
- (e) disgusting

**Q114.** Astronomers have been working to better understand the \_\_\_\_\_ environments of fast radio bursts (FRBs).

- (a) petite
- (b) dwarfish
- (c) minuscule
- (d) galactic
- (e) bitty

**Q115.** Even more \_\_\_\_\_ is the fact that a single telescope made the discovery possible – from the same observation.

- (a) conservative
- (b) remarkable
- (c) ordinary
- (d) habitual
- (e) wanted

**Q116.** A new study has now developed a method to detect all known \_\_\_\_\_ of the disease, caused by the amphibian chytrid fungus.

- (a) posterities
- (b) inheritors
- (c) progenies
- (d) heirs
- (e) strains

**Q117.** The Foucault pendulum in the new Parliament building has been designed and \_\_\_\_\_ by the National Council of Science Museums, Kolkata.

- (a) installed
- (b) canned
- (c) mustered out
- (d) reduced
- (e) terminated

**Q118.** The Centre has \_\_\_\_\_ to operationalize air services from the hill districts of Manipur to allow connectivity with the rest of the country

- (a) renege
- (b) unattached
- (c) promised
- (d) bleak
- (e) downbeat

**Q119.** \_\_\_\_\_ of agricultural storage capacity leads to wastage of food grains and farmers are forced to sell their crops at low prices.

- (a) surfeit
- (b) raft
- (c) bounty
- (d) lack
- (e) plenitude

**Q120.** It's now mandatory for over-the-top (OTT) streaming platforms to display anti-tobacco warnings as seen in movies \_\_\_\_\_ in theatres and TV.

- (a) caved
- (b) bombarded
- (c) beset
- (d) yielded
- (e) screened

**Directions (121-130):** In each of the questions given below four words are given in bold. These words may or may not be in their correct position. Following each sentence four sequences are provided. Select the sequence of the words which will make the given sentence contextually meaningful. If the words are correct at their current position, then choose option (e) as your answer.

**Q121.** There are **concerns (A)** about limitations in **ensuring (B)** 'leaks', fixing accountability, and **managing (C)** equity and **justice (D)** among producers and consumers.

- (a) DCBA
- (b) BADC
- (c) ACBD
- (d) CADB
- (e) No interchange required

**Q122.** **surfaced (A)** and accusations of demand for **payments (B)** for permanent **appointments (C)** have **allegations (D)** time and again, and too frequently.

- (a) ABDC
- (b) CBAD
- (c) DBCA
- (d) BDAC
- (e) No interchange required

**Q123.** More **recently (A)**, there has been the Production-Linked Incentive **scheme (B)**, which essentially subsidizes **products (C)** of certain **production (D)**.

- (a) BADC
- (b) CBDA
- (c) DACB
- (d) ABDC
- (e) No interchange required

**Q124.** A problem with many **captive (A)** facilities in the traditional **sense (B)** is that they tend to be **chip (C)** units of large **companies (D)**.

- (a) CBAD
- (b) BACD
- (c) ACBD
- (d) DACB
- (e) No interchange required

**Q125.** Recent **ecological (A)** have shown that a **trade (B)** share of the total **studies (C)** impact is due to the displacement of environmental damage through international **substantial (D)**.

- (a) ADCB
- (b) CDAB
- (c) DBCA
- (d) BCDA
- (e) No interchange required

**Q126.** Due to its **products (A)** size and **global (B)** market, India is a **consumer (C)** anchor of the trade in agricultural **vast (D)**.

- (a) BDAC
- (b) ACDB
- (c) CBAD
- (d) DCBA
- (e) No interchange required

**Q127.** Despite **pleasure (A)** moments, Forest personnel press pause and take **tiresome (B)** in the simple **joys (C)** of Nature to replenish their **spirits (D)** during the summer months.

- (a) DCAB
- (b) BACD
- (c) CBAD
- (d) ABDC
- (e) No interchange required

**Q128.** Keeping astronauts well-nourished for **extended (A)** periods within the limited, zero-gravity **challenge (B)** of space vehicles in low-Earth orbit long has **posed (C)** a **confines (D)** for NASA.

- (a) CBAD
- (b) BACD
- (c) ADCB
- (d) DBCA
- (e) No interchange required

**Q129.** When **working (A)** with a language, a machine first has to **break (B)** a sentence or a word **down (C)** into little **bits (D)** in a process called tokenisation.

- (a) BDAC
- (b) ADCB
- (c) CBDA
- (d) DCBA
- (e) No interchange required

**Q130.** There are **needs (A)** that the fashion industry, as a whole, **changes (B)** to adopt, to reduce **emissions (C)** such as sustainable **customer (D)** behavior.

- (a) CBAD
- (b) ADCB
- (c) ACBD
- (d) BACD
- (e) No interchange required

**Directions (131-140):** In each question below a sentence with four words printed in bold type is given. These are numbered as (a), (b), (c) and (d). One of these four words printed in bold may be either wrongly spelt or inappropriate in the context of the sentence. Find out the word, which is wrongly spelt or is inappropriate and mark it as your answer.

**Q131.** The man was **released (a)**/ from **prison (b)**/ after new **evidence (c)**/ proved he didn't **comit (d)**/ the robbery. All correct (e)

**Q132.** The **pauacity (a)**/ of a sufficient number of **faculty (b)**/ members **undermines (c)**/ the growth of the country's **knowledge (d)**/ sector. All correct (e)

**Q133.** The **current (a)**/ plan, in works by the Indian Railways, is to upgrade **tracs (b)**/ in certain **sections (c)**/ to run trains at **desired (d)**/ speed. All correct (e)

**Q134.** While Indian chess players have done **extremely (a)**/ well in global **circuit (b)**/ in recent years, the country also **successfully (c)**/ hosted the **Chess Olaympiad (d)**/ last year. All correct (e)

**Q135.** India needs to **catch** (a)/ up in the **research** (b)/ and production of **graphine** (c)/, which is the **defining** (d)/ material of this age. All correct (e)

**Q136.** Most **academic** (a)/ institutions have **massy** (b)/ and incomplete **websites** (c)/ containing only **partial** (d)/ information about their faculty bodies. All correct (e)

**Q137.** The ever-**increasing** (a)/ demand for agricultural **products** (b)/ is leading to **significant** (c)/ social and environmental **consequances** (d)/ worldwide. All correct (e)

**Q138.** India's **vast** (a)/ consumer market means that large **amounts** (b)/ of land, even outside its **borders** (c)/, are used to **satisfy** (d)/ domestic demand. All correct (e)

**Q139.** The current **paradim** (a)/ in measuring impacts and **allocating** (b)/ **responsibility** (c)/ is based on a production-based **accounting** (d)/ method. All correct (e)

**Q140.** There is **widespread** (a)/ use of **adjunc** (b)/ faculty members and even '**ghost**' (c)/ members by colleges and **universities** (d)/. All correct (e)

**Directions (141-150): Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is 'No error', the answer is (e). (Ignore errors of punctuation, if any).**

**Q141.** The South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) (A)/ summits ended in (B)/ 2014, but the Secretariat (C)/ somehow keeps themselves busy (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q142.** The ETS is a market-based mechanism (A)/ that aimed at reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions (B)/ by allowing bodies emitting GHG to buy (C)/ and sell these emissions amongst themselves (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q143.** While the international trade regime allows countries (A)/ to adopt unilateral measures for safeguarding the environment (B)/, environmental protection would not become (C)/ a smokescreen for trade protectionism (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q144.** ChatGPT generate responses (A)/ to queries by predicting likely word (B)/ combinations from a massive amalgam (C)/ of available online information (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q145.** Every media consumer needs (A)/ to be most vigilant than ever (B)/ in verifying scientific accuracy (C)/ in what they read (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q146.** We are concerned about how generative (A)/ AI may blur the boundaries among (B)/ truth and fiction for those seeking (C)/ authoritative scientific information (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q147.** Gravitational waves are ripples (A)/ in the gravitational field, just (B)/ as light wave are ripples (C)/ in the electromagnetic field(D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q148.** ISRO is working for the launching of (A)/ the synthetic aperture radar mission (NISAR) in (B)/ association with NASA (C)/ and a future launch of INSAT-3Ds (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q149.** Any biology textbook will (A)/ told you that mutation and (B)/ natural selection drive (C)/ evolutionary change in species. (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q150.** Early approaches to designing (A)/ nano-computing agents (B)/ required two inputs (C)/ to produce one output (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Directions (151-160):** Each of the following questions give a sentence which has been divided into four parts which might not be in their correct order of narrative. The sentence is then followed by five options, one of which gives the sequence of the rearranged parts to make the sentence meaningful. You must choose the option which gives the correct sequence of the parts. If the sentence is already arranged in the correct sequence or the correct sequence doesn't match with any of the given sequence, mark option (e). i.e., " No arrangement required " as your answer.

**Q151.** the extreme rate of mortality, and (A)/ deadliest animal disease known to date (B)/ chytrid unequivocally the (C)/ the high number of species affected, makes (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) DBAC
- (b) CDAB
- (c) BACD
- (d) ADCB
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q152.** complex wound-healing process (A)/ cut, or a burn - our skin can (B)/ repair itself after injury through a (C)/ whether a small scrape, a larger (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) CBAD
- (b) BDCA
- (c) DBCA
- (d) ADCB
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q153.** long, expensive, and (A)/ the market is a (B)/ bringing a new drug into (C)/ challenging process ridden with failure (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) ACBD
- (b) CBAD
- (c) BDCA
- (d) DBCA
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q154.** of millions of people around the (A)/ chronic non-healing wounds affect tens (B)/ world and cause a staggering financial burden on (C)/ the health care system (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) DCBA
- (b) ABDC
- (c) CABD
- (d) BACD
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q155.** photographs printed on the foam (A)/ coffee has now been overshadowed by (B)/ more flamboyant simple latte art on (C)/ just as milkshakes once became (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) BACD
- (b) CABD
- (c) DCBA
- (d) ACBD
- (e) No arrangement required

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**Q156.** pressure on national soil and water resources (A)/ fruits, and vegetables, among other products, which puts (B)/ service the international demand for grains, (C)/ large land areas in India are used to (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) DCBA
- (b) ABDC
- (c) CABD
- (d) BADC
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q157.** children should be encouraged to (A)/ history of Indian Air Force and (B)/ make regular visits to the museum to understand the (C)/ also about the career opportunities (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) ACBD
- (b) DBCA
- (c) CBAD
- (d) ADBC
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q158.** signing up for online classes, as (A)/ dance, gathering together at apartment complexes and (B)/ more older women are now learning to (C)/ they discover the benefits of movement (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) DBCA
- (b) CBAD
- (c) ADCB
- (d) BADC
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q159.** driven by a pandemic-induced shift in (A)/ fitness, smartwatches are (B)/ consumer awareness about health and (C)/ seeing tremendous growth in India (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) DBCA
- (b) BACD
- (c) CABD
- (d) ACBD
- (e) No arrangement required

**Q160.** while photos of the food and (A)/ beverages take the first priority in bringing about the (B)/ ambience has a major role to play as well (C)/ most instagrammable-dining experience, the (D)/ No arrangement required (E).

- (a) ABDC
- (b) ADCB
- (c) CABD
- (d) DBCA
- (e) No arrangement required

**Directions (161-165):** In the following passage there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five words are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

**Q161.** Telangana will \_\_\_\_\_(1)\_\_\_\_\_ on a large-scale programme to deliver blood and transport of medical samples via drones. The initiative is co-designed with the World Economic Forum and Healthnet Global Limited, an Apollo Hospitals Group company. The project is currently being tested through a \_\_\_\_(2)\_\_\_\_\_ project. A request for proposal from private vendors to operate the services will later be floated for eventual integration with the state's healthcare supply chain. "Apollo Hospitals Group company HealthNet Global Limited truly believes that use of drones for transport of Organs and other medical aid will contribute to saving many lives. We are happy working with the World Economic Forum and government of Telangana, as a clinical partner in this drones project, which I am sure is the next step in our journey of remote healthcare delivery," a WEF press release quoted Sangita Reddy, joint managing director of Apollo Hospitals Group, as saying. The scheme's framework \_\_\_\_\_(3)\_\_\_\_\_ the key factors in evaluating drone operations and the technical requirements for each use case. It will ensure government services are used as efficiently as possible and will serve as the starting point for discussions with civil aviation authorities. "Drones are helping people in remote rural areas become \_\_\_\_\_(4)\_\_\_\_\_ to important services," said Timothy Reuter, Head of Aerospace and Drones, World Economic Forum. "Adopting this framework brings Telangana one step closer to rolling out a system that could save lives. It outlines what challenges drones can solve, how to \_\_\_\_\_(5)\_\_\_\_\_ operations and how to implement them."

- (a) alienate
- (b) embark
- (c) divert
- (d) time
- (e) None of these.

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- (a) scale
- (b) climb
- (c) pilot
- (d) futile
- (e) None of these.

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- (a) outlines
- (b) revise
- (c) promise
- (d) plans
- (e) None of these.

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- (a) bore
- (b) extend
- (c) disperse
- (d) connected
- (e) None of these.

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- (a) compliance
- (b) invalid
- (c) oversee
- (d) offers
- (e) None of these.



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**Directions (166-170):** Rearrange the following seven sentences (A), (B), (C), (D), (E) ,(F) in the proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph and then answer the questions given below.

- (A) to their forebears who roamed the earth during the age of the dinosaurs.
- (B) unlike their modern progeny who are known for their ferocity, some early crocodyliforms were an altogether more peaceful lot.
- (C) But if you happened to find yourself a time machine that sent you back to the Mesozoic Era, not all the crocodiles you would come across would size you up as a tasty meal.
- (D) Crocodiles are sometimes described as living fossils for their close resemblance
- (E) scans of 146 teeth from 16 extinct species into a computer model and determined that,
- (F) That's according to a new study published in Cell Press on Thursday that fed high-resolution

**Q166.** Which of the following should be the **first** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) B
- (b) D
- (c) A
- (d) F
- (e) C

**Q167.** Which of the following should be the **last** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) B
- (b) D
- (c) A
- (d) F
- (e) C

**Q168.** Which of the following should be the **second** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) B
- (b) D
- (c) A
- (d) F
- (e) C

**Q169.** Which of the following should be the **third** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) B
- (b) D
- (c) A
- (d) F
- (e) C

**Q170.** Which of the following should be the **fourth** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) B
- (b) D
- (c) A
- (d) F
- (e) C

**Directions (171-175):** Each question below has two blanks, each blank indicating that something has been omitted. Choose the set of words for each blank which best fits the meaning of the sentence as a whole.

**Q171.** The water transport project on the west coast is.....to get a shot in the arm with a new plan in which the Road Development Corporation will build the infrastructure and.....a private company to operate the service.

- (a) scheduled, let
- (b) verge, permit
- (c) set, sanctions
- (d) slated, allow
- (e) bound, task

**Q172.** When the mob turned ....., the police opened fire to control the ..... situation.

- (a) away, burning
- (b) up, untoward
- (c) around, devastating
- (d) quietly, aggravate
- (e) hostile, rioting

**Q173.** The flood of brilliant ideas has not only.....us, but has also encouraged us to.....the last date for submission of entries.

- (a) overwhelmed, extend
- (b) enjoyed, stretch
- (c) dismayed, decide
- (d) scared, scrap
- (e) happy, boundary

**Q174.** .....about prolonged power cuts in urban areas, the authorities have decided to.....over to more reliable and eco-friendly systems to run its pumps.

- (a) Worried, transfer
- (b) Frantic, move
- (c) Troubled, jump
- (d) Concerned, switch
- (e) Endangered, click

**Q175.** The high cut-off marks this year have.....college admission-seekers to either.....for lesser known colleges or change their subject preferences.

- (a) cajoled, ask
- (b) pressure, sit
- (c) forced, settle
- (d) strained, compromise
- (e) entrusted, wait

**Directions (176-180):** In the following passage, some of the words have been left out, each of which is indicated by a number. Find the suitable word from the options given against each number and fill up the blanks with appropriate words to make the paragraph meaningfully complete.

**Q176.** Anti-slavery advocate Harriet Tubman will become the first African-American on the face of U.S. paper currency, and the first woman in more than a century, when she replaces former President Andrew Jackson on the \$20 bill. The U.S. Treasury Department said on Wednesday that Tubman, **(6)** was born into slavery in the early 1820s and went on to help hundreds of slaves escape, would take the centre spot on the bill, while Jackson, a slave owner, would move to the back. Introduced alongside a **(7)** of changes to the \$5 and \$10 notes as well, the redesign gives the Treasury "a chance to open the aperture to reflect more of America's history", Treasury Secretary Jack Lew said. A new \$10 bill will add images of five female leaders of the women's **(8)** movement, including Sojourner Truth and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, to the back, while keeping founding father Alexander Hamilton on the front. The reverse of a new \$5 note will show former first lady Eleanor Roosevelt and civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr., officials said. Former President Abraham Lincoln will remain on the front. Mr. Lew said the designs should be unveiled **(9)** 2020 and go into circulation "as quickly as possible," although he declined to say when. He said the \$10 bill was scheduled to go out first, citing security needs. The long-awaited decision to **(10)** the seventh president of the United States with Tubman followed months of outreach by the Treasury regarding which woman should be featured on a bill.

- (a) which
- (b) that
- (c) who
- (d) what
- (e) she

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- (a) slew
- (b) wind
- (c) event
- (d) time
- (e) adaptation

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- (a) suffering
- (b) suffer
- (c) suffered
- (d) sufferance
- (e) suffrage

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- (a) at
- (b) by
- (c) in
- (d) on
- (e) until

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- (a) put
- (b) change
- (c) print
- (d) replace
- (e) honor

**Directions (181-190): Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is ‘No error’, the answer is (e). (Ignore errors of punctuation, if any).**

**Q181.** Sharp deficits during (A)/ July and August, particularly (B)/ in central India, is (C)/ likely to influence agricultural output (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q182.** A large part (A)/ of semiconductor (B)/ manufacturing involve (C)/ design and intellectual labour (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q183.** The demand for smartwatches (A)/ extends beyond youngsters (B)/, as many health features appeal (C)/ to the old generations as well (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q184.** However, where a carbon (A)/ price have been explicitly paid for the imported (B)/ products in the country of origin, a (C)/ reduction can be claimed (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q185.** Tread cautiously if you (A)/ are lifting weight or (B)/ doing body weight exercises (C)/ for the first time (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q186.** The eFoil helps elevate (A)/ the board above water and this (B)/ is why it looks like a mix (C)/ of surfing and flying (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q187.** There’s no dearth of fitness channels (A)/ on the internet and zeroing in (B)/ on what suit your body (C)/ best can be confusing (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q188.** Another big (A)/ factor pushes demand (B)/ for smartwatches (C)/ is the increase in productivity (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q189.** Each sort of (A)/ cheese reveal a pasture (B)/ of a different green, under (C)/ a different sky (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Q190.** During strength training, muscles (A)/ go through a process (B)/ of breaking down and rebuilding above (C)/ the next 24 to 48 hours (D)/. No Error (E)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No Error

**Directions (191-195):** In the passage given below there are blanks which are to be filled with the options given below. Find out the appropriate pair of words in each case which can most suitably complete the sentence without altering the meaning of the statement.

**Q191.** Semiconductor fabrication units, or fabs, ..... (1) ..... raw elements such as silicon into integrated circuits that are fit to be a part of practically all electronic ..... (2) ..... in the world. Fabs are highly capital-intensive undertakings, costing billions of dollars for large facilities. Semiconductor fabs of today may still be building circuits, but they require highly ..... (3) ..... and high-quality supply of water, electricity, and ..... (4) ..... from the elements, reflecting the high degree of precision, cost and capital needed to make the ..... (5) ..... circuits.

- (a) abide
- (b) turn
- (c) linger
- (d) twist
- (e) overlook

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- (a) downgrade
- (b) demote
- (c) curve
- (d) affects
- (e) hardware

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- (a) treacherous
- (b) reductions
- (c) reliable
- (d) perfidious
- (e) deceitful

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- (a) insulation
- (b) mention
- (c) desegregation
- (d) rotation
- (e) fellowship

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- (a) rustical
- (b) parochial
- (c) unrefined
- (d) sophisticated
- (e) idealistic

**Directions (196-200):** In the passage given below there are blanks which are to be filled with the options given below. Find out the appropriate pair of words in each case which can most suitably complete the sentence without altering the meaning of the statement.

**Q196.** Colleges and universities need a sufficient number of teachers and researchers to create and ..... (6) ..... knowledge. For teaching purposes, online education is useful, but it cannot ..... (7) ..... classroom instruction. And for research, there really is no ..... (8) ..... for a larger body of qualified faculty members. India clearly needs to find ..... (9) ..... solutions to address the shortage. There are two main obstacles ..... (10) ..... finding viable solutions to faculty shortages.

- (a) obscure
- (b) shroud
- (c) veil
- (d) restrict
- (e) disseminate

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- (a) replace
- (b) argue
- (c) remove
- (d) hold
- (e) remain

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- (a) genuine
- (b) disadvantages
- (c) substitute
- (d) bona fide
- (e) legitimate

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- (a) absurd
- (b) vain
- (c) outlandish
- (d) viable
- (e) ridiculous



**Q200.** Colleges and universities need a sufficient number of teachers and researchers to create and ..... (6) ..... knowledge. For teaching purposes, online education is useful, but it cannot ..... (7) ..... classroom instruction. And for research, there really is no ..... (8) ..... for a larger body of qualified faculty members. India clearly needs to find ..... (9) ..... solutions to address the shortage. There are two main obstacles ..... (10) ..... finding viable solutions to faculty shortages.

- (a) in
- (b) to
- (c) and
- (d) but
- (e) even

**Directions (201-210):** Two columns are given in each question and each column has three parts of a sentence. Choose the most suitable pair, which makes a grammatically correct and contextually coherent statement.

**Q201. COLUMN I**

- (A) The organization implemented a flexible work-from-home policy
- (B) With the rise of social media platforms
- (C) The artist released a highly anticipated album

**COLUMN II**

- (D) to promote work-life balance.
- (E) the team emerged victorious
- (F) aimed at reducing carbon footprints
- (a) A-D
- (b) B-E
- (c) C-F
- (d) A-F
- (e) None of these

**Q202. COLUMN I**

- (A) Despite the global pandemic
- (B) The government announced stricter environmental regulations
- (C) The company launched a new sustainability

**COLUMN II**

- (D) address national security concerns.
- (E) received positive reviews from critics.
- (F) to combat climate change.
- (a) A-E
- (b) C-D
- (c) C-F
- (d) B-F
- (e) None of these

**Q203. COLUMN I**

- (A) After spilling coffee on his shirt,
- (B) If you want to stay hidden
- (C) The tiny mouse made a susurrant noise as

**COLUMN II**

- (D) to enhance employee productivity.
- (E) job satisfaction levels have increased.
- (F) it scampered across the floor.
- (a) A-E
- (b) B-E
- (c) C-F
- (d) both (a) and (b)
- (e) None of these

**Q204. COLUMN I**

- (A) It is very common for friends to
- (B) There is a difference between an innocent
- (C) Spreading a false rumor about

**COLUMN II**

- (D) is important to monitor and ensure
- (E) jest and a mean-spirited ridicule.
- (F) but his inability to cook had to be pointed out.
- (a) A-D
- (b) B-E
- (c) both (a) and (b)
- (d) C-D
- (e) None of these

**Q205. COLUMN I**

- (A) The difficulty of gymnastics is easy to
- (B) Each spectator had to purchase a ticket
- (C) Pollution in the air can harm those who

**COLUMN II**

- (D) to watch the boxing match
- (E) while the rest of the villagers took part in the battle
- (F) insisted that she had no preference of a winner.
- (a) A-F
- (b) B-D
- (c) C-F
- (d) C-E
- (e) None of these

**Q206. COLUMN I**

- (A) A vast majority of the students didn't pass the test,
- (B) There was regality attached to the
- (C) Juries always seemed to provide justifiable reasons for

**COLUMN II**

- (D) it was hard to mistake him for anyone else.
- (E) so the teacher decided to reteach the material.
- (F) that the event was meant for a king

- (a) A-E
- (b) C-F
- (c) C-D
- (d) B-D
- (e) None of these

**Q207. COLUMN I**

- (A) The comedian insisted that his contumelious jokes were
- (B) The woman was beautiful both inside and out
- (C) The fitness trainer was a

**COLUMN II**

- (D) perfect picture of health and vitality.
- (E) but he still maintained a positive attitude.
- (F) able to constantly run around with no end in sight

- (a) A-F
- (b) C-D
- (c) A-E
- (d) A-D & B-F
- (e) None of these

**Q208. COLUMN I**

- (A) Since I could not hear the instructions
- (B) You know you are getting old when you start to
- (C) The refugees chose voluntary displacement

**COLUMN II**

- (D) was a tragic incident that ended the lives of many people.
- (E) the points that we discussed on the telephone.
- (F) reiterate your responses before you are asked to do so.

- (a) A-D
- (b) B-F
- (c) C-E
- (d) A-F
- (e) None of these

**Q209. COLUMN I**

- (A) Compared to the tortoise, the hare ran
- (B) To avoid the police, the car darted in and
- (C) With only a few minutes to spare, the test taker

**COLUMN II**

- (D) speedily in the direction of the finish line.
- (E) you will make more solid decisions when buying shares.
- (F) a deep understanding of quantum physics.

- (a) A-D
- (b) C-D
- (c) C-F
- (d) B-E
- (e) None of these

**Q210. COLUMN I**

- (A) The toddler's grudging participation in the family pictures showed
- (B) After the inauguration, the governor and his wife
- (C) When the man accosted me with a gun,

**COLUMN II**

- (D) weapons and sought out after the terrorists.
- (E) I quickly handed over my purse.
- (F) the resentful teenager made it clear

- (a) A-E
- (b) C-F
- (c) C-E
- (d) B-D
- (e) None of these

**Directions (211-220): In each of the questions given below four words are given in bold. These words may or may not be in their correct position. Following each sentence four sequences are provided. Select the sequence of the words which will make the given sentence contextually meaningful. If the words are correct at their current position, then choose option (e) as your answer.**

**Q211.** India has an **advantage (A)**, as a large **origin (B)** of semiconductor design engineers **globally (C)** are either Indian or Indian- **portion (D)**.

- (a) DCBA
- (b) BADC
- (c) ADCB
- (d) CADB
- (e) No interchange required

**Q212.** Pollution has badly **native (A)** the fish harvest and has **destroyed (B)** the breeding **grounds (C)** of the **affected (D)** fish.

- (a) ABDC
- (b) CBAD
- (c) DBCA
- (d) BDAC
- (e) No interchange required

**Q213.** Food **offer (A)** has become an **inevitable (B)** experience to **theatre (C)** for restaurants to **stay (D)** in the game.

- (a) BADC
- (b) CBAD
- (c) DACB
- (d) ABDC
- (e) No interchange required

**Q214.** An **ultimate (A)** marathon is all about **ultra (B)** endurance and regular training; running **mean (C)** than 42.2 kilometres is no **more (D)** task.

- (a) CBAD
- (b) BADC
- (c) ACBD
- (d) DACB
- (e) No interchange required

**Q215.** A muscle **needs (A)** anywhere from 24 to 48 **hours (B)** to repair and **lead (D)**, and working it again too soon can **rebuild (C)** to tissue breakdown.

- (a) ABDC
- (b) CDAB
- (c) DBCA
- (d) BCDA
- (e) No interchange required

**Q216.** The push-up is an upper-body **works (A)** that **exercise (B)** on the **pectoral (C)** muscles on our chest and **triceps (D)** on our legs.

- (a) BACD
- (b) ACDB
- (c) CBAD
- (d) DCBA
- (e) No interchange required

**Q217.** WhatsApp is a **users (A)** instant messaging **platform (B)** used by millions of **popular (C)** around the **world (D)**.

- (a) DCAB
- (b) BACD
- (c) CBAD
- (d) ABDC
- (e) No interchange required

**Q218.** The **meeting (A)** of the **finance (B)** department sent a memo out to **employees (C)** telling them when the next **manager (D)** would be held.

- (a) CBAD
- (b) BACD
- (c) ADCB
- (d) DBCA
- (e) No interchange required

**Q219.** It is **crucial (A)** to maintain an **coworkers (B)** working **relationship (C)** with your colleagues and **effectual (D)**.

- (a) BDAC
- (b) ADCB
- (c) CBDA
- (d) DCBA
- (e) No interchange required

**Q220.** The **wrestle (A)** worker continues to **unhappy (B)** with the **decision (C)** to find a **better (D)** job.

- (a) CBAD
- (b) ADCB
- (c) ACBD
- (d) BACD
- (e) No interchange required

**Directions (221-230):** There are two different sentences with a blank space in each question. Choose the word from the given options which fits into both the blanks appropriately adding a proper and logical meaning to the sentences.

**Q221.** (I) The ancient civilization's \_\_\_\_ was a central hub of activity, where skilled craftsmen crafted tools, weapons, and armor.

(II) The blacksmith used the roaring fire in his \_\_\_\_ to shape the glowing metal into a magnificent sword.

- (a) balk
- (b) cease
- (c) detain
- (d) impede
- (e) forge

**Q222.** (I) The talented actress \_\_\_\_ critical acclaim for her mesmerizing performance in the film.

(II) The charity event \_\_\_\_ immense support from the community, with people coming together to donate generously.

- (a) garnered
- (b) scattered
- (c) dissolved
- (d) forfeited
- (e) dissipated

**Q223.** (I) The \_\_\_\_ architect designed iconic buildings that transformed city skylines.

(II) The \_\_\_\_ historian's books were considered authoritative sources on the subject.

- (a) faint
- (b) modest
- (c) prominent
- (d) subdued
- (e) unsung

**Q224.** (I) The parents were \_\_\_\_ of letting their children play near the busy street.

(II) The traveler kept a \_\_\_\_ eye on their belongings in the crowded railway station.

- (a) remiss
- (b) wary
- (c) lax
- (d) brash
- (e) heedless

**Q225.** (I) In the corporate world, networking acts as a \_\_\_\_\_, connecting professionals and creating opportunities.

(II) The \_\_\_\_\_ in the machine was responsible for connecting two gears and facilitating smooth movement.

- (a) employer
- (b) superior
- (c) gaffer
- (d) cog
- (e) boss

**Q226.** (I) The board of directors \_\_\_\_\_ the CEO after a series of financial scandals came to light.

(II) The uprising led to the president being \_\_\_\_\_ from power, marking a significant turning point in the nation's history.

- (a) ousted
- (b) lodged
- (c) harbored
- (d) admitted
- (e) received

**Q227.** (I) If you work hard and stay committed, you will \_\_\_\_\_ the rewards of your efforts.

(II) The farmer was excited to \_\_\_\_\_ the bountiful harvest after months of tending to the crops.

- (a) sow
- (b) pay
- (c) yield
- (d) accord
- (e) reap

**Q228.** (I) The teacher showed an \_\_\_\_\_ approach, taking the time to understand each student's unique challenges.

(II) The friend offered an \_\_\_\_\_ shoulder to lean on, providing comfort and support during a difficult time.

- (a) oppressive
- (b) empathetic
- (c) rancorous
- (d) acrimonious
- (e) spiteful

**Q229.** (I) The accused witch was branded a \_\_\_\_\_ and faced a trial that ultimately resulted in their execution.

(II) Galileo was considered a \_\_\_\_\_ by the Catholic Church for advocating heliocentrism, challenging the geocentric model of the universe.

- (a) conformer
- (b) adherent
- (c) believer
- (d) heretic
- (e) supporter

**Q230.** (I) Jane's \_\_\_\_\_ nature made her the perfect candidate for the job of quality control inspector.

(II) The chef's \_\_\_\_\_ approach to cooking resulted in perfectly balanced flavors in every dish.

- (a) fastidious
- (b) permissive
- (c) lenient
- (d) unfussy
- (e) lackadaisical

**Directions (231-235):** In each of the questions given below a sentence is given which is then divided into five parts out of which last part is correct. There are errors in some parts of the sentence out of which only one part is correct. You must choose the part as your answer.

**Q231.** One of biggest (A)/problem we face at (B)/ our country is our(C)/ inability for (D)/work in teams(E).

- (a) One of biggest
- (b) problem we face at
- (c) our country is our
- (d) inability for
- (e) All are incorrect

**Q232.** The market condition when (A)/good and services are (B)/ not free available(C) /and thus the prices is (D)/ relatively high is seller's market. (E)

- (a) The market condition when
- (b) good and services are
- (c) not free available
- (d) and thus the prices is
- (e) All are incorrect

**Q233.** The Head of Government (A)/of countries (B) /which are member (C) /of the Commonwealth meet for the (D) /awareness on social issues. (E)

- (a) The head of Government
- (b) of countries
- (c) which are member
- (d) of the Commonwealth meet for the
- (e) All are incorrect

**Q234.** New knowledge and new ways (A)/ for understanding the world (B)/, of good or bad(C)/, have always been (D)/part of every society. (E)

- (a) New knowledge and new ways
- (b) for understanding the world
- (c) of good or bad
- (d) have always been
- (e) All are incorrect

**Q235.** The Partition and the (A) /bloodletting who accompanied (B) /our Independence take up (C) / many of the (D) /energy of our founders. (E)

- (a) The partition and the
- (b) bloodletting who accompanied
- (c) our Independence take up
- (d) many of the
- (e) All are incorrect

**Directions (236-240):** In each of the question given below a/an idiom/phrase is given in bold which is then followed by five options which try to decipher its meaning as used in the sentence. Choose the option which gives the meaning of the phrase most appropriately in context of the given sentence.

**Q236.** The police were on the criminal's trail but in the end he managed **to give them the slip**.

- (a) Escape
- (b) Postpone
- (c) Trial
- (d) Caught
- (e) Inspect

**Q237.** They go to the beach when they should be **hitting the books** and then they wonder why they get low marks.

- (a) Scrutinizing
- (b) Studying
- (c) Reflecting
- (d) Chew over
- (e) Exploring

**Q238.** You should **hold your horses** before buying this car.

- (a) Invest
- (b) Driving
- (c) Patient
- (d) Saving
- (e) Riding

**Q239.** That old car is a **dead ringer** for the one we used to own.

- (a) Varied
- (b) Mismatched
- (c) Fabricated
- (d) Mastered
- (e) Duplicate

**Q240.** I'd like to do **dry run** with this speech before I present it to the whole company.

- (a) Rehearsal
- (b) Operation
- (c) Interpret
- (d) Fulfill
- (e) Complete

**Directions (241-249):** Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it. Certain words are given in bold to help you locate them while answering some of the questions.

There are many things that make us what we are – how we live, the languages we speak, what we eat, wear, the games we play and the things we celebrate. All of these are influenced both by the geography and history of the place where we live. You will get an idea of how diverse India is if you look even briefly at the following statement:

There are eight major religions in the world. Every single one of them is practised in India. We have more than 1600 languages that are people's mother tongues, and there are more than a hundred dance forms.

Yet this **diversity** is not always celebrated. This is because we feel safe and secure with people who look, talk, dress and think like us. Sometimes when we meet people who are very different from us we may find them **strange** and unfamiliar. At times we may not understand or know the reasons why they are different from us. People also form certain attitudes and opinions about others who are not like them.

When our opinions about certain people are always negative, then these become prejudices that we carry about them. Prejudice means to judge other people negatively or see them as **inferior**. When we think that only one particular way is the best and right way to do things we often end up not respecting others, who may prefer to do things differently. For example, if we think English is the best language and other languages are not important, we are judging these other languages negatively. As a result, we might not respect people who speak languages other than English. We can be prejudiced about many things: people's religious beliefs, the colour of their skin, the region they come from, the accent they speak in, the clothes they wear etc. Often, our prejudices about others are so **strong** that we don't want to form friendships with them. At times, we may even act in ways that hurt them.

**Q241.** What influences those aspects which make us what we are? Choose the correct option based on the information given in the passage.

- (a) The languages we speak
- (b) Geography and history of the place where we live.
- (c) What we eat
- (d) Both (a) and (c)
- (e) None of the above

**Q242.** Which of the followings are true in the context of the passage?

- (I) India has more than 16000 languages that are people's mother tongues.
  - (II) Every single of the eight major religions in the world is practiced in India.
  - (III) There are more than a hundred dance forms practiced in India.
- (a) Only (I)
  - (b) Both (I) and (III)
  - (c) Both (II) and (III)
  - (d) Both (I) and (II)
  - (e) All of (I), (II) and (III)

**Q243.** Why diversity is not always celebrated?

- (a) People feel safe and secure with those who look, talk, dress and think like us.
- (b) People sometimes find those who are very different from us as strange and unfamiliar.
- (c) People do not believe in secularism.
- (d) Options (a) and (b)
- (e) None of the above

**Q244.** Which of the followings might happen when a person named 'Akriti' meets Akash who is very different from her? Answer the question based on the information given in the passage without assuming anything else.

- (I) Akriti may find Akash strange and unfamiliar.
  - (II) Akriti may form certain attitudes and opinions about Akash.
  - (III) Akriti will definitely dislike Akash.
- (a) Only (III)
  - (b) Both (II) and (I)
  - (c) Both (II) and (III)
  - (d) Both (I) and (III)
  - (e) All of (I), (II) and (III)

**Q245.** Which of the options correctly mention the condition for an opinion about certain people to be a prejudice?

- (a) The opinions about certain people are neutral always.
- (b) The opinions about certain people are positive always.
- (c) The opinions about certain people are negative always.
- (d) Options (a) or (c)
- (e) None of the above

**Q246.** Which of the following statement is a correct example of prejudice?

- (a) Father of Suresh thinks that only graduates from IIT colleges are successful while the graduates from other colleges are not.
- (b) Mother of Akansha thinks that her daughter would be happy only if she would marry someone who belongs to a certain caste and religion.
- (c) Sameek thinks that only those females who are housewives deserve respect but those women who are working have degraded the values.
- (d) Options (a) and (b)
- (e) Options (a), (b) and (c)

**Q247.** Among the options, choose the option which has a meaning which is SIMILAR to the given word.

**Diversity**

- (a) Sameness
- (b) Variety
- (c) Attribute
- (d) Secularism
- (e) Strength

**Q248.** Among the options, choose the option which has a meaning which is SIMILAR to the given word.

**Inferior**

- (a) Underling
- (b) Anger
- (c) Confidence
- (d) Superior
- (e) Trust

**Q249.** In the following questions, choose the option among the given options which has a meaning OPPOSITE to the meaning of the given word.

**Strange**

- (a) High
- (b) Low
- (c) Fast
- (d) Slow
- (e) Common

**Direction (250):** In each of the question given below a/an idiom/phrase is given in bold which is then followed by five options which try to decipher its meaning as used in the sentence. Choose the option which gives the meaning of the phrase most appropriately in context of the given sentence.

**Q250.** I did not appreciate the clerk's **tongue-in-cheek** comment about annoying customers.

- (a) Anger
- (b) Temper
- (c) Humor
- (d) Opposition
- (e) Pampering

**Directions (251-255):** In each Question below, a sentence is given with four words given in Bold in the sentence. Among these bold words one may be wrongly spelt or incorrectly used with respect to the context of the passage. The option of that word is the answer. If all four words are correctly spelt or used mark (e). i.e. 'All Correct' as the answer.

**Q251.** When **studying** for final exams, it's a good idea to **highlighting** the most important ideas and **relegate** the smaller details as **insignificant**.

- (a) studying
- (b) highlighting
- (c) relegate
- (d) insignificant
- (e) All correct

**Q252.** Even **though** the soldier **comitted** a crime, the military wanted to consider this an **internal** affair and handle the matter **themselves**.

- (a) though
- (b) comitted
- (c) internal
- (d) themselves
- (e) All correct

**Q253.** After missing the **important** meeting, my boss would **crucify** me by firing me **during** our **country's** economic recession.

- (a) important
- (b) crucify
- (c) during
- (d) country's
- (e) All correct

**Q254.** If **implemented**, the President's **crazy** plan will **deprive** seniors of **adiquate** healthcare.

- (a) implemented
- (b) crazy
- (c) deprive
- (d) adiquate
- (e) All correct

**Q255.** During the **protest**, troops were sent to the town hall to **repress** angry **citijens** from entering the **building**.

- (a) protest
- (b) repress
- (c) citijens
- (d) building
- (e) All correct

**Directions (256-260):** In each Question below, a sentence is given with four words given in Bold in the sentence. Among these bold words one may be wrongly spelt. The option of that word is the answer. If all four words are correctly spelt mark (e). i.e. 'All Correct' as the answer.

**Q256.** What this **virtual** telescope would capture were traces — **electromagnetic** radiation — from jets of particles **spewed** from the event **horrizons** of the black hole.

- (a) virtual
- (b) electromagnetic
- (c) spewed
- (d) horrizons
- (e) All Correct

**Q257.** Coupled with the **momentus** discovery of **gravitational** waves, generated by two black holes, in 2015 by the Laser **Interferometer** Gravitational-Wave Observatory, the black hole image of M87 is a testament to **engineering** skills.

- (a) momentus
- (b) gravitational
- (c) Interferometer
- (d) engineering
- (e) All Correct

**Q258.** **Everything** in this **univerce** including our planet is in a state of **motion** and motion **requires** energy.

- (a) Everything
- (b) univerce
- (c) motion
- (d) requires
- (e) All Correct

**Q259.** Matter can get **converted** into energy as in the case of the sun and stars. But once the conversion has taken place, energy is energy and it will **neither** have the **propertees** of matter nor **behave** like matter.

- (a) converted
- (b) neither
- (c) propertees
- (d) behave
- (e) All Correct

**Q260.** The Indian team can **deliver**, but it could face tough **opponents** in hosts England and Australia, **bolstered** by the **return** of Steve Smith and David Warner.

- (a) deliver
- (b) opponents
- (c) bolstered
- (d) return
- (e) All Correct

**Directions (261-270):** In the following passage there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five words are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately. Find out the appropriate word that fits the blank.

**Q261.** In these days of economic liberalization, globalization, etc. materialistic values have assumed **(1)** importance. Money, physical comforts and luxuries are the most sought-after aspects. There has been **(2)** competition. Such competition **(3)** stress. The stress leads to **(4)** of health of the people. Indian culture has **(5)** its striking uniqueness, as against the Western culture, in the fact that there is a **(6)** place for spiritualism in the value system in all walks of life. The spirituality is a very **(7)** force which helps us in maintaining our physical and mental health. It gives us **(8)** to cope with the stress. Westerners have now **(9)** the importance of spirituality and, therefore, they have started **(10)** us in the matter of spirituality.

- (a) usual
- (b) little
- (c) tangible
- (d) least
- (e) greater

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- (a) critical
- (b) unhealthy
- (c) unequalled
- (d) no
- (e) absolute

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- (a) releases
- (b) deserves
- (c) generates
- (d) demonstrates
- (e) suppresses



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- (a) neglect
- (b) illness
- (c) generation
- (d) deterioration
- (e) encroachment

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- (a) maintained
- (b) illustrated
- (c) marginalised
- (d) bestowed
- (e) forsaken

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- (a) vast
- (b) brief
- (c) formal
- (d) clean
- (e) distinct

**Q267.** In these days of economic liberalization, globalization, etc. materialistic values have assumed **(1)** importance. Money, physical comforts and luxuries are the most sought-after aspects. There has been **(2)** competition. Such competition **(3)** stress. The stress leads to **(4)** of health of the people. Indian culture has **(5)** its striking uniqueness, as against the Western culture, in the fact that there is a **(6)** place for spiritualism in the value system in all walks of life. The spirituality is a very **(7)** force which helps us in maintaining our physical and mental health. It gives us **(8)** to cope with the stress. Westerners have now **(9)** the importance of spirituality and, therefore, they have started **(10)** us in the matter of spirituality.

- (a) dormant
- (b) dedicated
- (c) vital
- (d) common
- (e) dynamic

**Q268.** In these days of economic liberalization, globalization, etc. materialistic values have assumed **(1)** importance. Money, physical comforts and luxuries are the most sought-after aspects. There has been **(2)** competition. Such competition **(3)** stress. The stress leads to **(4)** of health of the people. Indian culture has **(5)** its striking uniqueness, as against the Western culture, in the fact that there is a **(6)** place for spiritualism in the value system in all walks of life. The spirituality is a very **(7)** force which helps us in maintaining our physical and mental health. It gives us **(8)** to cope with the stress. Westerners have now **(9)** the importance of spirituality and, therefore, they have started **(10)** us in the matter of spirituality.

- (a) strength
- (b) tips
- (c) clearance
- (d) sermons
- (e) ideals

**Q269.** In these days of economic liberalization, globalization, etc. materialistic values have assumed (1) importance. Money, physical comforts and luxuries are the most sought-after aspects. There has been (2) competition. Such competition (3) stress. The stress leads to (4) of health of the people. Indian culture has (5) its striking uniqueness, as against the Western culture, in the fact that there is a (6) place for spiritualism in the value system in all walks of life. The spirituality is a very (7) force which helps us in maintaining our physical and mental health. It gives us (8) to cope with the stress. Westerners have now (9) the importance of spirituality and, therefore, they have started (10) us in the matter of spirituality.

- (a) informed
- (b) narrated
- (c) intensified
- (d) realised
- (e) invented

**Q270.** In these days of economic liberalization, globalization, etc. materialistic values have assumed (1) importance. Money, physical comforts and luxuries are the most sought-after aspects. There has been (2) competition. Such competition (3) stress. The stress leads to (4) of health of the people. Indian culture has (5) its striking uniqueness, as against the Western culture, in the fact that there is a (6) place for spiritualism in the value system in all walks of life. The spirituality is a very (7) force which helps us in maintaining our physical and mental health. It gives us (8) to cope with the stress. Westerners have now (9) the importance of spirituality and, therefore, they have started (10) us in the matter of spirituality.

- (a) planning
- (b) imitating
- (c) blaming
- (d) preaching
- (e) assuming

**Directions (271-280):** Each of the following questions give a sentence which has been divided into four parts which might not be in their correct order of narrative. The sentence is then followed by five options, one of which gives the sequence of the rearranged parts to make the sentence meaningful. You must choose the option which gives the correct sequence of the parts. If the sentence is already arranged in the correct sequence or the correct sequence doesn't match with any of the given sequence, mark option (e). i.e., " No rearrangement required " as your answer.

**Q271.** and a government in place to address (A)/ of essentials, including fuel, food and medicines (B)/ Sri Lanka urgently needs a new President (C)/ the worsening economic crisis that has disrupted supply(D)

- (a) CBDA
- (b) CADB
- (c) DBCA
- (d) ABDC
- (e) No rearrangement needed

**Q272.** Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman asked (A)/ the World Trade Organization (WTO) to allow India (B)/ to export food grains from its public (C)/stockholding to nations which are facing food crisis (D)

- (a) CBDA
- (b) CADB
- (c) DBCA
- (d) ABDC
- (e) No rearrangement needed

**Q273.** 66 crore, has faltered on the road to gender parity (A)/ there have been enough numbers (B)/ with a female population of approximately (C)/ from the ground to indicate that India (D)

- (a) BDCA
- (b) DBCA
- (c) BCAD
- (d) ACDB
- (e) No rearrangement needed

**Q274.** Hopkins creates the personification (A)/ of doing to man (B)/defines what man is capable(C)/ of evil and a character that (D)

- (a) ACBD
- (b) CDBA
- (c) ADCB
- (d) CBAD
- (e) All are correct

**Q275.** In warfare will jeopardize the test ban (A)/ efforts to improve nuclear arsenals (B)/ and to make nuclear weapons more useable(C)/ and non-proliferation regimes(D)

- (a) CBDA
- (b) BCAD
- (c) DBCA
- (d) ABDC
- (e) No rearrangement needed

**Q276.** Solution seems to be to issue (A)/ in the face of constraints in raising revenues (B)/ overseas sovereign bonds rather than streamline subsidies (C)/in a slowing economy, the government's preferred (D)

- (a) ADCB
- (b) BDAC
- (c) DACB
- (d) CADB
- (e) No rearrangement needed

**Q277.** India's real effective exchange rate (A)/ around 7% since October 2018 (B)/By reducing the interest rates (C)/ has actually appreciated somewhat (D)/

- (a) ADCB
- (b) ABCD
- (c) DACB
- (d) CADB
- (e) No rearrangement needed

**Q278.** At least a fortnight ahead of schedule (A)/ the Jammu and Kashmir State government's decision (B)/ citing terror threats, is intriguing. (C)/to abruptly end the Amarnath pilgrimage (D)

- (a) ADCB
- (b) BDAC
- (c) DACB
- (d) CADB
- (e) No rearrangement needed

**Q279.** We will launch (A)/ on the best way to take on the task (B)/ but first we need some guidance (C)/ our new website this spring, (D)/

- (a) ADCB
- (b) ABDC
- (c) DACB
- (d) CADB
- (e) No rearrangement needed

**Q280.** Are to be appointed by the nomination and remuneration committee (A)/ of the board of the respective banks (B)/ the Reserve Bank of India has mandated (C)/ that the elected directors of public sector banks (D)

- (a) CDAB
- (b) ABDC
- (c) DACB
- (d) CADB
- (e) No rearrangement needed

**Directions (281-290):** In each of the question given below a/an idiom/phrase is given in **BOLD** which is then followed by five options which then tries to decipher its meaning as used in the sentence. Choose the option which gives the meaning of the phrase most appropriately in context of the given sentence.

**Q281.** I'm **banking on** you to help with the charity event.

- (a) pretend
- (b) rely
- (c) doubt
- (d) faith
- (e) inhibit

**Q282.** His plans to trek through South America **fell through** when he got sick.

- (a) ascend
- (b) overturn
- (c) slip
- (d) fail
- (e) deteriorate

**Q283.** We hope they can **iron out** their differences and get on with working together.

- (a) resolve
- (b) question
- (c) conclude
- (d) facilitate
- (e) upset

**Q284.** He finished his cup of tea and **got on with** the gardening.

- (a) yield
- (b) retrogress
- (c) persist
- (d) stay
- (e) last

**Q285.** He's never made an effort to **keep up with** current events.

- (a) surpass
- (b) deadlock
- (c) measure
- (d) work
- (e) parallel

**Q286.** The company is expected to **get around** this problem by borrowing from the banks.

- (a) lead
- (b) deceive
- (c) overcome
- (d) divert
- (e) detach

**Q287.** I think he's trying to **get back at** her for those remarks she made in the meeting.

- (a) pursue
- (b) disprove
- (c) acknowledge
- (d) retaliate
- (e) persuade

**Q288.** The city had to rebuild the bridge completely, because it was about to **give out** and fall down.

- (a) conform
- (b) reveal
- (c) relent
- (d) crash
- (e) transmit

**Q289.** The lorry drivers' strike has **put back** our deliveries by over a month.

- (a) deferred
- (b) dwindled
- (c) retarded
- (d) replaced
- (e) conveyed

**Q290.** He was not emotionally stable enough to **think through** his decision.

- (a) evaluate
- (b) determine
- (c) suspect
- (d) estimate
- (e) analyze

**Directions (291-300):** Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below. Certain words/ phrases have been given in bold to help you locate them while answering some of the questions.

E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial is a video game that came out for the Atari 2600 game system in 1982. It was based on a very popular film of the same name. It cost over 125 million dollars to make. Star programmer Howard Scott Warshaw created it with consultation from Steven Spielberg. And it is widely considered to be one of the worst video games ever created. The **massive** failure of E.T. and its effects on Atari is an often-mentioned reason for the video game industry crash of 1983.

It was July 27th, 1982. Howard Scott Warshaw was hot off the success of his most recent game, Raiders of the Lost Ark. He received a call from Atari C.E.O. Ray Kassar. Atari had bought the rights to make a video game version of Spielberg's movie, E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial, which had just been released in June. Kassar told Warshaw that Spielberg had specifically asked for Warshaw to make the game. Warshaw was honored, but there was one huge problem. Atari needed the game finished by September 1st in order to start selling it during the Christmas season.

It had taken Warshaw six months to create Raiders of the Lost Ark. The game he made **prior** to that took him seven months. He was expected to create E.T. in around five weeks. Warshaw just did not have enough time to program the game properly, but he accepted the challenge anyway and production began. Spielberg wanted Warshaw to create a simple maze game, similar to Pac-Man, but Warshaw had a bigger vision. He wanted players to explore different environments in a 3D world. Warshaw followed his vision.

Atari anticipated that the game would be a huge success. Usually companies like Atari have people test games before releasing them. If there is something that testers really dislike, programmers can fix it before the public gets a chance to play. Atari decided to skip testing due to time limitations. They wanted the game released during the holiday season. It was: E.T. was released in December of 1982.

The game sold very well at first. It was a hot holiday item. Unfortunately, Atari overestimated how many they would sell. They made 5 million copies and they only sold 1.5 million. Most people who played the game hated it. The graphics were bad. Game play was awkward. Players got stuck in holes that they couldn't escape. A short time limit made the game difficult to explore and frustrating to play. Some people who stuck with the game grew to like it, but it wasn't the mainstream success that Atari had hoped it would be.

Too many copies of the game sat on store shelves. One employee remembers the game being discounted five times, from \$49.95 to less than a dollar. Many people returned the game. Atari was left with millions of unsold copies. In September of 1983, a newspaper in New Mexico reported that between 10 and 20 semitrailer truckloads of Atari products were crushed and buried at a landfill in Alamogordo. Perhaps a million or more copies of E.T. were buried in the desert. When word got out, the drop site had to be covered with cement to prevent **scavenging**.

Atari lost over \$100 million on E.T. The game was so bad that it was said to have affected Atari's reputation. The video game industry soon fell into a deep depression. In 1983 the industry made \$3.2 billion. By 1985 profit fell to just over \$100 million. This was almost a 97% drop. Many critics believe that Atari's blunder on E.T. was one of the causes leading to this depression. E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial will long be remembered as one of the worst video games ever made, if not one of the causes of the decline of the entire video game industry.

**Q291.** Which of the following is not a reason for the failure of E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial?

- (a) The programmer was not given enough time to finish the game properly.
- (b) Atari did not test the game before its release.
- (c) Atari made too many copies of E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial.
- (d) The game was released on a new system that only a small number of people owned.
- (e) None of these.

**Q292.** Which of the following were effects of the failure of E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial?

- (i) Perhaps a million or more copies of the game were buried in the desert.
  - (ii) Atari lost over \$100 million.
  - (iii) The video game industry sunk into a deep depression.
- (a) Only (i)
  - (b) Only (ii)
  - (c) Only (iii)
  - (d) None of these
  - (e) All (a) (b) (c)

**Q293.** Which of the following was not listed as a reason why E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial was considered one of the worst games ever?

- (a) The soundtrack was annoying.
- (b) The graphics were bad.
- (c) A short time limit made the game frustrating.
- (d) Players would get stuck in holes.
- (e) None of these.

**Q294.** Why did Atari decide to skip testing E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial?

- (a) Testing was too expensive.
- (b) Spielberg would not allow testing.
- (c) They were in a hurry to release the game for the holiday season.
- (d) Testing video games was not common until after E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial was released.
- (e) None of these

**Q295.** According to the text, which group of people would like playing E.T.?

- (a) People who really enjoyed watching the movie
- (b) People who liked playing fast, fun games
- (c) People who stuck with the game despite its flaws
- (d) People who enjoyed playing Raiders of the Lost Ark
- (e) none of these

**Q296.** Which of the following statements is true?

- (a) E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial was one of the worst selling games of all time.
- (b) E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial sold a lot fewer copies than Atari was hoping it would.
- (c) E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial was one of the best selling video games of all time despite its flaws.
- (d) Every copy of E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial ever sold was eventually returned.
- (e) None of these.

**Q297.** Which is not a reason cited in the article why E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial should have been successful?

- (a) It was based on an extremely popular movie.
- (b) The gameplay was smooth and enjoyable.
- (c) Atari spent over \$125 million on its production.
- (d) Howard Scott Warshaw programmed the game.
- (e) None of these

**Q298.** Choose the word which is most opposite in meaning to the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

**SCAVENGING**

- (a) Forage
- (b) Rummage
- (c) Ransack
- (d) Blight
- (e) Scour

**Q299.** Choose the word which is most opposite in meaning to the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

**MASSIVE**

- (a) Derisory
- (b) colossal
- (c) prodigious
- (d) immense
- (e) monumental

**Q300.** Choose the word which is most similar in meaning to the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

**PRIOR**

- (a) later
- (b) eventually
- (c) anterior
- (d) subsequent
- (e) thereupon

**Solutions**

**S1. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** For justification of answer, refer to the lines in the first paragraph of the passage which states that **“the National Medical Devices Policy, 2023 aims to facilitate the growth of the domestic medical devices sector market from \$11 billion to \$50 billion by 2030”**. It also mentions several objectives of the policy, which include:

(a) **To achieve access to affordable medical devices:** One of the objectives of the policy is to ensure that medical devices are accessible and affordable for the public. This implies that efforts will be made to make medical devices more affordable and available to a larger population.

(b) **To ensure quality medical devices:** Another objective of the policy is to ensure that the medical devices manufactured and used in India meet quality standards. This emphasizes the importance of maintaining high-quality standards in the medical devices sector.

(c) **To promote innovation in the medical devices sector:** The policy aims to encourage innovation in the medical devices sector. This indicates a focus on research and development, as well as supporting new and innovative technologies in the field of medical devices.

(d) **To increase the number of medical device manufacturers in India:** The passage does not specifically mention this objective of the National Medical Devices Policy, 2023. However, it emphasizes the growth of the domestic medical devices sector, which implies an increase in the number of manufacturers.

(e) **To improve healthcare infrastructure in rural areas:** This option is not mentioned as one of the objectives of the policy in the passage. The focus of the policy, as stated, is on facilitating the growth of the medical devices sector and achieving specific market targets.

**Key Points:**

The National Medical Devices Policy, 2023 does not explicitly mention improving healthcare infrastructure in rural areas as one of its objectives. The policy does, however, aim to achieve access to affordable medical devices, ensure quality medical devices, promote innovation in the medical devices sector, and increase the number of medical device manufacturers in India.

**Therefore, option (e) To improve healthcare infrastructure in rural areas is NOT an objective of the National Medical Devices Policy, 2023.**

**S2. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The policy aims to facilitate the orderly growth of the medical devices sector and has set a target for the domestic medical devices market to grow from \$11 billion to \$50 billion by 2030. Additionally, the policy aims to achieve a 10-12% global market share over the next 25 years. These goals indicate an ambition to accelerate the growth of the sector. While the policy also emphasizes other objectives such as competitiveness, self-reliance, innovation, and affordability, the specific mention of the expected growth in market size suggests that it is the most likely impact of the policy.

**Key Points:**

The policy has a number of measures that are designed to promote growth in the sector, including:

- **Regulatory streamlining:** The policy enhances the role of the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) and introduces a coherent pricing regulation. This is expected to help to reduce the cost of medical devices in India and make them more affordable for patients.
- **Skill development:** The policy supports the development of a skilled workforce in the medical devices sector. This will help to ensure that the sector has the talent it needs to grow and innovate.
- **Infrastructure development:** The policy supports the development of medical device parks and clusters. This will help to create a conducive environment for the growth of the sector.
- **Public-private partnerships:** The policy encourages public-private partnerships (PPPs) in the medical devices sector. This is expected to help to attract investment and accelerate the growth of the sector.

In addition to these measures, the policy also provides a number of incentives for companies to invest in the medical devices sector in India. These incentives include tax breaks, land at concessional rates, and financial assistance. The combination of these measures is expected to have a significant impact on the growth of the medical devices sector in India. The sector is expected to grow at a faster rate than it would have without the policy. This will lead to increased investment, job creation, and access to quality medical devices for patients.

**S3. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The policy proposes to take the following measures to achieve its objectives:

- Regulatory streamlining
- Skill development
- Infrastructure development
- Public-private partnerships

Promoting the use of traditional Indian medical devices is not a measure that the policy proposes to take. This is because the policy is focused on modern medical devices, and traditional Indian medical devices are not considered to be modern medical devices.

The policy states that it will **“promote the development and use of modern medical devices”**. This suggests that the policy is not interested in promoting the use of traditional Indian medical devices.

In addition, the policy does not mention traditional Indian medical devices anywhere else in the passage. This suggests that the policy is not considering traditional Indian medical devices as a viable option for achieving its objectives.

Therefore, the answer to the question is **“Promoting the use of traditional Indian medical devices.”**

**S4. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The National Medical Devices Policy, 2023 aims to address the challenges faced by the medical devices sector in India and to help the sector to grow and develop. The policy is expected to help the sector to grow from \$11 billion to \$50 billion by 2030 and to achieve a 10-12% global market share over the next 25 years. The policy is also expected to make India a global hub for medical devices manufacturing.

**Key Points:**

The policy is comprehensive as it covers a wide range of issues, including:

- **Regulatory streamlining:** The policy aims to streamline the regulatory process for medical devices, which will make it easier for companies to bring new products to market.
- **Pricing regulation:** The policy aims to regulate the prices of medical devices, which will make them more affordable for patients.
- **Skilled workforce development:** The policy aims to develop a skilled workforce for the medical devices sector, which will help to ensure that there are enough people with the right skills to work in the industry.
- **Infrastructure development:** The policy aims to develop the infrastructure needed for the medical devices sector, such as manufacturing facilities and testing laboratories.

The policy is expected to help the medical devices sector to grow and develop in a number of ways. For example, the policy is expected to:

- **Increase the number of medical devices companies in India:** The policy is expected to attract more companies to the medical devices sector, which will create more jobs and boost the economy.
- **Increase the number of medical devices manufactured in India:** The policy is expected to increase the number of medical devices manufactured in India, which will reduce the country's reliance on imports.
- **Improve the quality of medical devices manufactured in India:** The policy is expected to improve the quality of medical devices manufactured in India, which will make them more competitive in the global market.

The passage mentions that the National Medical Devices Policy, 2023 aims to make the medical devices sector in India "competitive, self-reliant, resilient, and innovative" to cater not only to domestic but global needs. The policy also seeks to establish and strengthen medical device parks and clusters with quality infrastructure facilities. These measures, along with the focus on skill development and support for research and development, indicate the intention to position India as a global hub for medical devices manufacturing.

**S5. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The word "entail" means to involve or include something as a necessary or inevitable part or consequence. In the context of the passage, the word "entail" is used to describe the consequences of a certain action. The word "**embrace**" has a similar meaning, as it means to accept or include something willingly or enthusiastically. Therefore, the word "embrace" is the most similar in meaning to the word "entail" as used in the context of the passage.

The other options are not as similar in meaning to the word "entail".

**Additional Information:**

"Debar" means to exclude or prevent someone from doing something.

"Mislay" means to lose something temporarily.

"Reject" means to refuse to accept or consider something.

"Omit" means to leave something out or not include it.

**S6. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The word "coherent" means logical and consistent. The antonym of "coherent" is "illogical and inconsistent. The word "**sophistic**" means using clever but false arguments. This is the closest antonym to "coherent" because it means using arguments that are not logical or consistent.

The other words are not antonyms of "coherent."

**Additional Information:**

"Cognitive" means relating to the process of acquiring knowledge and understanding through thought, experience, and the senses.

"Syllogistic" means "relating to or using a syllogism, which is a logical argument in which two statements are used to reach a conclusion.

"Tenable" means capable of being held or defended.

"Empiric" means "based on or derived from observation or experiment.

**S7. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The most appropriate word that fits in the blank to make the sentence contextually meaningful and grammatically correct is "**requisite**". The word "requisite" means "required or necessary." In the context of the sentence, it makes sense that the policy would seek to establish and strengthen large medical device parks and clusters with quality infrastructure facilities close to economic zones with *requisite* logistics connectivity. This means that the policy is seeking to create an environment where medical device companies have access to the transportation and infrastructure facilities that they need to be successful.

The other words are not as appropriate in this context.

**Additional Information:**

"Undesired" means not wanted or desired.

"External" means coming from or relating to the outside.

"Extraneous" means not relevant or important.

"Surplus" means an amount of something that is more than what is needed.

**S8. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The word "clusters" is used in the context of the passage to refer to groups of things that are close together or connected. The word "**clumps**" has a similar meaning, as it refers to groups of things that are close together or connected. The other words do not have the same meaning.

**Additional Information:**

"Units" are individual things that are not necessarily connected to each other.

"Items" are individual things that are not necessarily close together.

"Entities" are individual things that are not necessarily connected to each other.

"Singles" are individual things that are not necessarily close together.

**S9. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The passage is **optimistic** about the future of the Indian medical devices sector. It highlights the potential for growth and innovation, and it describes the steps that the government is taking to support the sector. The passage does not express any pessimism or criticism.

**Here are some supporting evidence from the passage:**

- "The policy endeavours to facilitate an orderly growth of the sector and in turn, achieve the public health objectives of access, affordability, quality and innovation."
- "It is expected to help the domestic medical devices sector market grow from \$11 billion to \$50 billion by 2030 alongside achieving a 10-12% global market share over the next 25 years."
- "The aim is to provide the required support and direction, and help the sector become "competitive, self-reliant, resilient and innovative" to cater not only to domestic but global needs."

**Key points:**

The passage also uses positive language such as "facilitate", "achieve", "expected", "aim", "provide", "support", "direction", "competitive", "self-reliant", "resilient", and "innovative". This language creates a sense of optimism about the future of the Indian medical devices sector.

**S10. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The National Medical Devices Policy, 2023 aims to ensure a skilled workforce in the medical devices sector by taking a number of measures, including:

- **Dedicated multidisciplinary courses for medical devices:** The policy supports the creation of dedicated multidisciplinary courses for medical devices, including futuristic medical technologies, high-end manufacturing and research. This would complement the Department's proposed National Policy on Research and Development alongside innovation in the pharma-MedTech sector in India.
- **Centers of excellence in academic and research institutions:** The policy also plans to establish centers of excellence in academic and research institutions, which would provide a platform for collaboration between industry, academia and government. These centers would focus on research and development, training and skill development, and testing and certification.
- **Innovation hubs:** The policy also plans to establish innovation hubs, which would provide a platform for start-ups and small and medium enterprises (SMEs) to develop and commercialise innovative medical devices. These hubs would provide access to funding, mentorship, and incubation facilities.
- **'Plug and play' infrastructure:** The policy also plans to develop 'plug and play' infrastructure, which would provide a ready-made environment for start-ups and SMEs to set up and operate their businesses. This infrastructure would include access to land, buildings, utilities, and other essential services.

These measures are expected to help the medical devices sector to attract and retain a skilled workforce, which is essential for the sector's growth and development.

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**S11. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The word "particular" should be replaced with "**particularly**". "Particular" is an adjective, while "particularly" is an adverb. The word "particularly" is an adverb that means "especially" or "in a special way". Adjectives modify nouns, while adverbs modify verbs, adjectives, and other adverbs. The word "particular" is an adjective that means "specific" or "individual". In this sentence, the word "particularly" is needed to modify the adjective "important".

Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "Pricing regulation is particularly important for addressing a broader challenge in the domestic device manufacturing sector."

**Key Points:**

- The word "particular" is an adjective that is used to describe something that is specific or special. For example, you might say "I am looking for a particular book" or "I have a particular interest in history."
- The word "particularly" is an adverb that is used to describe something that is more than usual or to a greater degree. For example, you might say "I am particularly interested in history" or "I am particularly fond of chocolate."

**S12. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The word "in" should be replaced with "**under**".

In the sentence "The policy envisages the creation of a dedicated Export Promotion Council for the sector in the Department of Health," the word "in" is used incorrectly. The word "under" should be used instead because it is indicating that the Export Promotion Council will be under the authority of the Department of Health.

Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "The policy envisages the creation of a dedicated Export Promotion Council for the sector under the Department of Health."

**Key Points:**

- The word "in" is a preposition that is used to indicate location or position. For example, you might say "I am in the house" or "The book is in the library."
- The word "under" is a preposition that is used to indicate position below or beneath something. For example, you might say "The cat is under the table" or "The ball is under the bed."

**S13. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The verb "simplify" should be in the gerund form, "**simplifying**," to agree with the preposition "on." Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "South Western Railway (SWR) has updated the Unreserved Ticketing System (UTS) app focusing on simplifying the process of switching handsets and ensuring a seamless transition from one device to another."

**Key Points:**

The gerund form of a verb is used when the verb acts as a noun. In this case, the verb "simplify" is acting as the object of the preposition "on." Therefore, the gerund form, "simplifying," is the correct form to use.

**S14. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The word "destabilize" should be "**destabilizes**."

The sentence is in the simple present tense, so the verb should be in the simple present form.

Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "By casting a shadow on the public's perception of what is legal tender, the RBI destabilizes confidence in the rupee."

The simple present tense is used to describe actions that happen regularly or repeatedly. In this sentence, the simple present tense is used to describe the RBI's actions. The RBI's actions are happening regularly, and they are causing confidence in the rupee to become unstable. Therefore, the correct form of the verb is "destabilizes." The verb "destabilize" means to make something less stable or to cause something to become unstable.

**Key Points:**

The simple present form of a verb is formed by adding -s or -es to the base form of the verb. In this sentence, the base form of the verb is "destabilize." Therefore, the simple present form of the verb is "destabilizes."

**S15. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The phrase "shrink its span" is incorrect. The correct phrase is "**shrinking its span**". The verb "shrink" is in the present tense, so it needs to be followed by a present participle. The present participle of "shrink" is "shrinking."

Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "Social media is especially unsparring, with its relentless updates hogging our attention and shrinking its span"

**Key Points:**

- The word "shrink" is a verb that means to become smaller or to make something smaller.
- The word "span" is a noun that means the length of time between two points.
- In this sentence, the word "span" refers to the length of time that someone can pay attention to something.
- The phrase "shrinking its span" means that social media is making our attention spans shorter.

**S16. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The phrase "above verification" should be replaced with "**upon verification**".

The phrase "above verification" is incorrect because it does not make sense. Verification is the process of checking something to make sure it is true. If something is "above verification", it means that it is so true that it does not need to be checked. This is not the case with the results generated by AI chatbots. These results may sound realistic and accurate, but they can often be wrong. This is why it is important to verify the results of an AI chatbot before using them.

The correct phrase to use in this sentence is "**upon verification**". This means that the results are revealed to be fiction after they have been checked. This is a more accurate description of what happens when the results of an AI chatbot are verified.

Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "AI chatbots are prone to a phenomenon known as "hallucination," in which they generate results that sound realistic and accurate, but are revealed to be fiction upon verification."

**S17. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The subject of the sentence is "the inauguration of a new Parliament building", which is singular. Therefore, the verb should be "**presents**", not "present".

Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "The inauguration of a new Parliament building presents an opportunity for us to seriously introspect on our parliamentary conduct."

**Points to remember:**

The error in the sentence is a common one. It is often difficult to remember that the subject of a sentence is not always the first noun or pronoun in the sentence. In this case, the subject is "the inauguration of a new Parliament building", which is a singular noun phrase. Therefore, the verb should be "presents", not "present".

**S18. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The phrase "**first and foremost**" is redundant because the word "first" already implies that something is the most important. Therefore, there is no need to use the word "foremost" as well. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "The first thing that comes to mind when speaking of the value of a currency is the exchange rate it commands in international transactions."

**Key Points:**

- The phrase "first and foremost" is a compound adverb that means "most important."
- The word "first" is also an adverb that means "at the beginning."
- When used together, the words "first" and "foremost" mean the same thing. Therefore, there is no need to use both words.

**S19. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The word "became" should be replaced with "**become**". The verb "become" is in its past participle form "became" when used in the past tense. However, in this sentence, the present perfect tense is used, and the correct form is "has become." The verb "became" should be in the past participle form, "become," to agree with the subject "the pleasure."

Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "The pleasure of visiting the library has become alien to the younger generation."

**Key Points:**

- The verb "became" is in the simple past tense. This form of the verb is used to describe actions that happened in the past.
- The subject of the sentence, "the pleasure," is singular. This means that the verb should also be singular.

- The past participle form of the verb "became" is "become." This form of the verb is used to describe actions that have already happened or that are completed.

**S20. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The phrase "to have constructing a new Parliament" is incorrect. The correct phrase is "**to have constructed a new Parliament**".

Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "India is not the first country to have constructed a new Parliament building due to paucity of space and to meet the changing needs."

**Points to remember:** The error in the sentence is a common one. It is often difficult to remember that the perfect infinitive (to have + past participle) is used to express an action that has been completed before the time of speaking. In this case, the action of constructing the new Parliament building has been completed before the time of speaking. Therefore, the perfect infinitive should be used.

**S21. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** "with" is the correct preposition as it is used in the connection of having or possessing (something). If we go by the sentence structure, it can be sensed that the gap requires a preposition than a verb. Hence (b) is the correct option.

**S22. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** "survey" is the correct word to fill the gap as it means an investigation of the opinions or experience of a group of people, based on a series of questions. Others words form the familiarity with it but are not in context of the meaning of the sentence. Hence (d) is the correct option.

**S23. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** "ignore" is the most appropriate word in context of its meaning to the sentence as it means fail to consider (something significant). Hence (d) is the correct option.

**S24. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** "affluent" is the correct word to fill the gap as it means (especially of a group or area) having a great deal of money; wealthy. Other words alter the meaning of the sentence. Hence (b) is the correct option.

**S25. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** "creating the National Pension System's architecture of funded pensions" makes the correct phrase in context of its meaning to the sentence. Hence (e) is the correct option.

**S26. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** "shrinks" is the correct word as it means become or make smaller in size or amount. Other words are irrelevant in adding any meaning to the sentence.

**S27. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** “ageing” is the correct word as it can be inferred after reading the complete passage. The theme of the paragraph revolves around the word which means (of a person) growing old; elderly. Hence (d) is the correct option.

**S28. Ans.(e).**

**Sol.** All the given words are correct.

**S29. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Use ‘divided’ instead of ‘dividend’.

**S30. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Use ‘agreed’ instead of ‘deviated’.

**S31. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The sentence is grammatically correct.

**S32. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Use ‘had’ in place of ‘have’ because reporting speech ‘said’ is in past tense therefore in reported speech, in place of present perfect, past perfect tense will be used.

**S33. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** **Ritual** means a religious or solemn ceremony consisting of a series of actions performed according to a prescribed order.

**S34. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** “ongoing transition” is the correct phrase that makes the sentence meaningful as the word “ongoing” means continuing; still in progress. Other words change the meaning of the sentence and thus they are irrelevant.

**S35. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** “glitches” adds meaning to the sentence as it means a sudden, usually temporary malfunction or fault of equipment. Other words given in the options are relatively out of the context. They alter the meaning of the sentence so formed. Hence (a) is the correct option.

**S36. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** “backlash” is the correct word that suits perfectly to the meaning of the sentence as it means a strong negative reaction by a large number of people, especially to a social or political development. Hence (e) is the correct option.

**S37. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** “the biggest source of worry” is the correct phrase that defines the meaning of the sentence appropriately. Hence (c) is the correct option.

**S38. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** “exempt” completes the sentence meaningfully as it means free (a person or organization) from an obligation or liability imposed on others. Other words are though nearly the same, but they are grammatically irrelevant and contextually different. Hence (b) is the correct choice.

**S39. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** “sourcing” is the correct word usage among the given five options as the word means obtaining from a particular source.

**S40. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** “need to claim” is the correct phrase that makes the sentence meaningful. Other words do not suit to the meaning of the sentence. Hence (e) is the correct choice.

**S41. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the first blank is “**advancements**”.

This means that the field of artificial intelligence has made significant advancements in recent years, with applications ranging from autonomous vehicles to virtual assistants.

Advancements is the most appropriate word to describe the progress that has been made in the field of AI in recent years. The other words do not fit the context of the sentence. Reductions, expulsions, suspensions, and demotions all have negative connotations, which is not the case with advancements.

**Additional information:**

- Advancements: progress or improvement
- Reductions: decrease in size, amount, or number
- Expulsions: the act of expelling someone from a place or organization
- Suspensions: the temporary removal of someone from a job or position
- Demotions: the act of lowering someone's rank or position

**S42. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the first blank is “**behavior**”.

This means that the AI systems are designed to mimic human behavior and perform tasks that typically require human intelligence. The sentence is talking about the progress of AI in recent years, so the word that best describes this progress is “behavior”. AI systems are designed to mimic human behavior and perform tasks that typically require human intelligence.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional information:**

- Cessation means the act of stopping.
- Behavior means the way in which one acts or conducts oneself, especially towards others.
- Idleness means the state of being inactive or lazy.
- Silence means the absence of sound.
- Listening means paying attention to what someone is saying.

**S43. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the first blank is “**ethical**”. This means that there are concerns regarding the ethical implications of AI. AI has the potential to be used for good or for evil, and it is important to consider the ethical implications of its use. For example, AI could be used to develop autonomous weapons that could kill people without human intervention. This raises serious ethical concerns about the use of AI in warfare.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional information:**

- ethical: relating to moral principles or the branch of knowledge dealing with these.
- corrupt: dishonest or fraudulent; morally depraved.
- unjust: not fair or right; discriminatory.
- immoral: lacking moral principles or standards.
- unrighteous: morally wrong; wicked.

**S44. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is “**adoption**”. This means that the increasing adoption of AI has raised questions about job security. The sentence is talking about the increasing adoption of Artificial Intelligence has raised questions about job security

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Repudiation means to reject or refuse to accept something.
- Adoption means to accept something, especially a new idea, practice, or custom.
- Opposition means the feeling of not liking or wanting something.
- Abdication means the act of giving up a position or power.
- Relinquishment means the act of giving up something, especially a right or claim.

**S45. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is “**implicit**”. In this sentence, the word "implicit" is used to describe the concerns regarding the implications of AI. These concerns are not explicitly stated, but they are implied by the fact that AI is capable of performing tasks that typically require human intelligence.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Blatant: Obvious or undisguised.
- Unconscious: Not aware of or not having control over one's actions.
- Manifest: Clearly evident.
- Apparent: Easily seen or understood.
- Implicit: implied or suggested but not directly expressed.

**S46. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is “**knowledge**”. This means that education plays a crucial role in shaping individuals and societies. It equips learners with the necessary knowledge and skills to navigate the complexities of the modern world.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Nescience: lack of knowledge or awareness in general; ignorance.
- Disregard: the act of paying no attention to something or of treating it as unimportant.
- Knowledge: facts, information, and skills acquired by a person through experience or education; the theoretical or practical understanding of a subject.
- Inexperience: lack of experience or knowledge in a particular field.
- Perspectives: a particular attitude toward or way of regarding something; a point of view.

**S47. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is “**skills**”. This means that education plays a crucial role in shaping individuals and societies. It equips learners with the necessary knowledge and skills to navigate the complexities of the modern world.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Clumsiness: the quality of being awkward or uncoordinated.
- Awkwardness: the quality of being uncomfortable or embarrassing.
- Rudeness: the quality of being impolite or disrespectful.
- Skills: the abilities that you have learned or developed through practice.
- Activities: the things that you do to occupy your time.

**S48. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is “**stimulating**”. This means that the role of educators is to facilitate learning by creating stimulating and engaging environment that fosters intellectual growth and critical thinking. A stimulating environment is one that is exciting and engaging, and that encourages students to learn.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Stimulating: arousing or exciting interest, thought, or action.
- Sapping: draining or weakening someone's strength or vitality.
- Boring: something that is dull, uninteresting, or tedious
- Enervating: making someone feel weak or tired.
- Debilitating: making someone weak or feeble.

**S49. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is “**curriculum**”. This means that the Assessment is an integral part of the educational process, providing feedback on students' progress and understanding of the curriculum. The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- issues - problems or matters that need to be dealt with
- confusion - a state of uncertainty or perplexity
- curriculum - a set of courses of study that are offered by a school or college
- unscholarly - not having or showing knowledge or learning
- confoundment - a state of confusion or perplexity

**S50. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is “**innovative**”. This means that the technology has revolutionized education, enabling learners to access vast amounts of information and collaborate with peers in innovative ways. The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Innovative means original and creative.
- Imitative means copying or imitating something.
- Derivative means based on or derived from something else.
- Pedantic means excessively concerned with minor details or rules.
- Stodgy means dull and unimaginative.

**S51. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **ADCB**. The sentence thus arranged is, “The northeast region’s first Vande Bharat Express train will connect Guwahati in Assam with New Jalpaiguri in West Bengal and the journey will take five-and-a-half hours.”

**S52. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **DBCA**. The sentence thus arranged is, “Communities designed, managed and operated to fulfil the needs of senior citizens are a relatively new industry in India.”

**S53. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **CBAD**. The sentence thus arranged is, “From 2018 till now, there has been a significant rise and it’s predicted that every fifth Indian in 2050 is going to be a senior citizen.”

**S54. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **BACD**. The sentence thus arranged is, “From gourmet food, and healthy bowls to vegetarian sushi and experimental cuisines, cloud kitchens in the city are offering intricate culinary experiences.”

**S55. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **CABD**. The sentence thus arranged is, “Planters of Darjeeling, the premium tea belt of the country, are worried by the twin blows of falling productivity and low price realization in their export markets.”

**S56. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **ABDC**. The sentence thus arranged is, “The idea is to ensure that online games are in conformity with Indian laws and to safeguard users against potential harm.”

**S57. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **DCBA**. The sentence thus arranged is, “The proposals are aimed at safeguarding the interests of users by introducing set procedures and norms for verification and user engagement.”

**S58. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **DBCA**. The sentence thus arranged is, “MeitY is entrusted with the responsibility of recognising and if required, unrecognising all self-regulated bodies under the proposed framework.”

**S59. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **BADC**. The sentence thus arranged is, “To mark the launch of the prototype, the Kiran Nadar Museum of Art (KNMA) has curated an exhibition showcasing artworks from the museum’s collection, spanning over a century.”



**S60. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **ACBD**. The sentence thus arranged is,  
"There is some passive discrimination even as the languages' fates are buoyed by public-spirited research and innovation."

**S61. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The sentence "He could ask for a raise, alternatively, he could start looking for a new job" connects the two given sentences in the best possible way without changing the intended meaning. The word "**alternatively**" indicates that these options are mutually exclusive, suggesting that the person could choose one option or the other. The word "**alternatively**" is a connecting word that is used to show that there are two or more possible options. In this case, the two options are for the person to ask for a raise or to start looking for a new job.

The other options are not correct because they do not make sense in the context of the sentences.

**S62. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The sentence "The weather forecast predicts rain for the weekend. Moreover, strong winds are also expected to accompany the rain" connects the two given sentences in the best possible way without changing the intended meaning. The word "**moreover**" is used to add information that is similar to or related to the information that has already been given. In this case, the first sentence states that the weather forecast predicts rain for the weekend. The second sentence states that strong winds are also expected to accompany the rain. The word "**moreover**" is used to connect these two sentences and to show that the information in the second sentence is additional to the information in the first sentence.

The other options are not correct because they do not make sense in the context of the sentences.

**S63. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The sentence "Apart from her professional achievements, Lisa is actively involved in charitable work" connects the two given sentences in the best possible way without changing the intended meaning. The word "**apart from**" is used to show that something is not included in something else. In this case, the first sentence states that Lisa has professional achievements. The second sentence states that Lisa is actively involved in charitable work. The word "**apart from**" is used to connect these two sentences and to show that the information in the second sentence is not included in the information in the first sentence.

The other options are not correct because they do not make sense in the context of the sentences.

**S64. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The sentence "The stock market crashed, and consequently, many investors suffered significant financial losses" connects the two given sentences in the best possible way without changing the intended meaning. The word "**consequently**" is a conjunction that means "as a result" or "therefore". In this case, it is used to show that the second sentence is a result of the first sentence. The stock market crashed, and as a result, many investors suffered significant financial losses.

The other options are not correct because they do not show the correct relationship between the two sentences.

**S65. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The sentence "The hotel had luxurious amenities; however, the customer service was lacking" connects the two given sentences in the best possible way without changing the intended meaning. The word "**however**" is used to introduce a statement that contrasts with or contradicts what has been said previously. In this case, the first statement is about the hotel's luxurious amenities, while the second statement is about the hotel's poor customer service. These two statements are in contrast with each other, so the word "however" is the most appropriate choice.

The other choices are not as appropriate because they do not introduce a contrast.

**S66. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The sentence "The house was small and outdated, despite this, they decided to purchase it and renovate it to their liking" connects the two given sentences in the best possible way without changing the intended meaning. The phrase "**despite this**" highlights the contrast between the initial description of the house and the subsequent decision. The word "**despite**" is used to introduce a statement that contrasts with or contradicts what has been said previously. In this case, the first statement is about the house being small and outdated, while the second statement is about the couple deciding to purchase it and renovate it to their liking. These two statements are in contrast with each other, so the word "despite" is the most appropriate choice.

The other choices are not as appropriate because they do not introduce a contrast.

**S67. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The sentence "The park is known for its beautiful landscape, likewise, it offers various recreational activities for visitors to enjoy" connects the two given sentences in the best possible way without changing the intended meaning. The word "**likewise**" is used to connect two ideas that are similar. In this case, the first idea is that the park is known for its beautiful landscape. The second idea is that the park offers various recreational activities for visitors to enjoy. These two ideas are similar because they both describe positive aspects of the park. Therefore, the word "**likewise**" is the best choice to connect them.

The other options are not as good because they do not connect the two ideas as well.

**S68. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The sentence "The research study provides evidence of the health benefits of a balanced diet. Furthermore, it emphasizes the importance of regular exercise in maintaining overall well-being" connects the two given sentences in the best possible way without changing the intended meaning. The word "**furthermore**" is used to introduce a new idea that supports or adds to the previous idea. It is a transition word that is used to connect two sentences or clauses. The first sentence is about the health benefits of a balanced diet, and the second sentence is about the importance of regular exercise. The two sentences are related, and they both support the idea that a healthy lifestyle is important for overall well-being. Therefore, the best transition word to use is "**furthermore**."

The other options are not correct because they do not make sense in the context of the sentences.

**S69. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The sentence "I stretched my muscles while waiting for the bus to arrive" connects the two given sentences in the best possible way without changing the intended meaning. The word "**while**" is a subordinating conjunction that can be used to connect two clauses that happen at the same time. In this case, the first clause is "I stretched my muscles" and the second clause is "Waiting for the bus to arrive." The word "**while**" indicates that the stretching happened while the person was waiting for the bus.

The other options are all coordinating conjunctions. Coordinating conjunctions can be used to connect two independent clauses, but they cannot be used to connect a subordinate clause to an independent clause. Therefore, the other options are not correct because they do not make sense in the context of the sentences.

**S70. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The sentence "The budget was tight; nevertheless, they managed to organize a memorable event within the constraints" connects the two given sentences in the best possible way without changing the intended meaning. The word "**nevertheless**" is a conjunctive adverb that can be used to connect two independent clauses that have a contrasting or opposing relationship. In this case, the first clause is "The budget was tight" and the second clause is "They managed to organize a memorable event within the constraints." The word "**nevertheless**" indicates that the event was successful even though the budget was tight.

The other options are not correct because they do not make sense in the context of the sentences.

**S71. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The word "brink" means the edge of a steep place or of land bordering water or the verge of an event or state. And from the options given below, **abut** is the most suitable synonym of the word brink. It means to touch or join at the edge or border. Therefore, the two words are similar in meaning.

The other options are not as close in meaning.

**Additional Information:**

"Leave" means to depart or go away from.

"Center" means the middle point of something.

"Retreat" means to withdraw or move back.

"Let go" means to release or relinquish something.

**S72. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The word "communal" means relating to or belonging to a community. And from the options given below, **synergic** is the most suitable synonym of the word communal. It means working together or cooperating. Both words suggest a sense of working or living together in a group.

The other options are not as close in meaning.

**Additional Information:**

"Solitary" means alone or isolated.

"Esoteric" means intended for or understood by only a small number of people with a specialized knowledge or interest.

"Sole" means only or single.

"Exclusive" means restricted to only a particular group or person.

**S73. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The word "venality" means the quality of being open to bribery or corruption. And from the options given below, **roguishness** is the most suitable synonym of the word venality. It means the quality of being dishonest or unprincipled. Both words suggest a sense of being willing to do something wrong for personal gain.

The other options are not as close in meaning.

**Additional Information:**

"Uprightness" means the quality of being honest and morally correct.

"Virtuousness" means the quality of being good or morally excellent.

"Scrupulousness" means the quality of being careful and conscientious.

"Righteousness" means the quality of being morally right or justifiable.

**S74. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The word "endured" means to suffer patiently or to bear something difficult or unpleasant. And from the options given below, **swallowed** is the most suitable synonym of the word endured. It means to accept or tolerate something unpleasant or difficult. Both words suggest a sense of facing something difficult or challenging and accepting it.

The other options are not as close in meaning.

**Additional Information:**

"Combated" means to fight or struggle against something.  
"Spurned" means to reject or refuse something with contempt.  
"Elude" means to escape or avoid something.  
"Bypassed" means to go around or avoid something.

**S75. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The word "staunch" means loyal, faithful, and steadfast. And from the options given below, **fervent** is the most suitable synonym of the word staunch. It means intense, passionate, and enthusiastic. Both words suggest a sense of strong commitment or belief.  
The other options are not as close in meaning.

**Additional Information:**

"Apathetic" means not interested or concerned.  
"Shaky" means unsteady or unstable.  
"Fickle" means changing frequently or easily.  
"Dubious" means doubtful or uncertain.

**S76. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The word "inane" means silly or lacking sense or meaning. And from the options given below, **eloquent** is the most suitable antonym of the word inane. It means fluent or persuasive in speaking or writing. The two words are opposites because one suggests a lack of meaning while the other suggests a sense of clarity and purpose.  
The other options are not as opposite in meaning.

**Additional Information:**

"Lunatic" means insane or crazy.  
"Haphazard" means random or without any particular order.  
"Fatuous" means silly or foolish.  
"Asinine" means stupid or foolish.

**S77. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The word "strident" means loud and harsh. And from the options given below, **muffled** is the most suitable antonym of the word strident. It means quiet and indistinct. The two words are opposites because one suggests a sense of loudness and clarity while the other suggests a sense of quietness and obscurity.  
The other options are not as opposite in meaning.

**Additional Information:**

"Squeaky" means high-pitched and piercing.  
"Treble" means high-pitched and shrill.  
"Jangly" means discordant and harsh.  
"Brassy" means loud and metallic.

**S78. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The word "agony" means extreme physical or mental suffering. And from the options given below, **lark** is the most suitable antonym of the word agony. It means a lighthearted adventure or escapade. The two words are opposites because one suggests a sense of pain and suffering while the other suggests a sense of fun and enjoyment.  
The other options are not as opposite in meaning.

**Additional Information:**

"Calvary" means a place of suffering or death.  
"Thorn" means a sharp, pointed projection on a plant.  
"Ordeal" means a difficult or painful experience.  
"Gall" means bitterness or resentment.

**S79. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The word "solace" means comfort or consolation in a time of distress or sadness. And from the options given below, **anguish** is the most suitable antonym of the word solace. It means extreme pain or suffering. The two words are opposites because one suggests a sense of relief and comfort while the other suggests a sense of pain and suffering.  
The other options are not as opposite in meaning.

**Additional Information:**

"Cheer" means happiness or joy.  
"Succor" means help or assistance.  
"Assuagement" means the act of making something less severe or intense.  
"Alleviation" means the act of making something less severe or painful.

**S80. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The word "embrace" means to hold someone or something closely in one's arms, especially as a sign of affection. And from the options given below, **denude** is the most suitable antonym of the word embrace. It means to strip someone or something of clothing or covering. The two words are opposites because one suggests a sense of closeness and affection while the other suggests a sense of exposure and vulnerability.  
The other options are not as opposite in meaning.

**Additional Information:**

"Cling" means to hold onto someone or something tightly.  
"Pat" means to touch someone or something lightly with the hand, especially in a comforting or reassuring way.  
"Enclasp" means to hold someone or something tightly in one's arms.  
"Snuggle" means to lie or sit close to someone or something in a warm and comfortable way.

**S81. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Going through the given sentences it can be clearly seen that statement (C) will be the first sentence in the arrangement because it is independent and it tells us about the food products that can be referred to as natural if it is a single food derived from a recognised natural source and has nothing added to it.

This will be then followed by statement (D) which gives us information regarding natural food products that it should only have been processed to render it suitable for human consumption. It is then followed by statement (E) which states that the packaging of natural food products must be done without chemicals and preservatives. Statement (E) will be then followed by statement (A) which further mentions that composite foods, a mixture of plant and processed constituents, cannot be called 'natural', instead, they can say 'made from natural ingredients'. Finally, the paragraph will be concluded by statement (B) which states that fresh can be used for those food products that are not processed in any manner other than washing, peeling, chilling, trimming, cutting or irradiation by ionizing radiation not exceeding 1 kGy or any other processing such that it remains safe for consumption with the basic characteristics unaltered. So, the final arrangement would be **CDEAB**.

**S82. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** Going through the given sentences it can be clearly seen that statement (C) will be the first sentence in the arrangement because it is independent and it tells us about the food products that can be referred to as natural if it is a single food derived from a recognised natural source and has nothing added to it.

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**S83. Ans.(c)**

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**S84. Ans.(a)**

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**S85. Ans.(e)**

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**S86. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Going through the given sentences it can be clearly seen that statement (A) will be the first sentence in the arrangement because it is independent and it tells us about the shortages of faculty in India's higher education sector at least since the 1980s, but it seems to have become permanent today. This will be then followed by statement (D) which states that the paucity of a sufficient number of faculty members undermines the growth of the country's knowledge sector and hinders its aspiration to be recognised as a "vishwa guru". It is then followed by statement (C) which mentions that colleges and universities need a sufficient number of teachers and researchers to create and disseminate knowledge. Statement (C) will be then followed by statement (B) which further mentions that for teaching purposes, online education is useful, but it cannot replace classroom instruction. Finally, the paragraph will be concluded by statement (E) which states that for research, there really is no substitute for a larger body of qualified faculty members. So, the final arrangement would be **ADCBE**.

**S87. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Going through the given sentences it can be clearly seen that statement (A) will be the first sentence in the arrangement because it is independent and it tells us about the shortages of faculty in India's higher education sector at least since the 1980s, but it seems to have become permanent today. This will be then followed by statement (D) which states that the paucity of a sufficient number of faculty members undermines the growth of the country's knowledge sector and hinders its aspiration to be recognised as a "vishwa guru". It is then followed by statement (C) which mentions that colleges and universities need a sufficient

number of teachers and researchers to create and disseminate knowledge. Statement (C) will be then followed by statement (B) which further mentions that for teaching purposes, online education is useful, but it cannot replace classroom instruction. Finally, the paragraph will be concluded by statement (E) which states that for research, there really is no substitute for a larger body of qualified faculty members. So, the final arrangement would be **ADCBE**.

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**Sol.** Going through the given sentences it can be clearly seen that statement (A) will be the first sentence in the arrangement because it is independent and it tells us about the shortages of faculty in India's higher education sector at least since the 1980s, but it seems to have become permanent today. This will be then followed by statement (D) which states that the paucity of a sufficient number of faculty members undermines the growth of the country's knowledge sector and hinders its aspiration to be recognised as a "vishwa guru". It is then followed by statement (C) which mentions that colleges and universities need a sufficient number of teachers and researchers to create and disseminate knowledge. Statement (C) will be then followed by statement (B) which further mentions that for teaching purposes, online education is useful, but it cannot replace classroom instruction. Finally, the paragraph will be concluded by statement (E) which states that for research, there really is no substitute for a larger body of qualified faculty members. So, the final arrangement would be **ADCBE**.

**S89. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** Going through the given sentences it can be clearly seen that statement (A) will be the first sentence in the arrangement because it is independent and it tells us about the shortages of faculty in India's higher education sector at least since the 1980s, but it seems to have become permanent today. This will be then followed by statement (D) which states that the paucity of a sufficient number of faculty members undermines the growth of the country's knowledge sector and hinders its aspiration to be recognised as a "vishwa guru". It is then followed by statement (C) which mentions that colleges and universities need a sufficient number of teachers and researchers to create and disseminate knowledge. Statement (C) will be then followed by statement (B) which further mentions that for teaching purposes, online education is useful, but it cannot replace classroom instruction. Finally, the paragraph will be concluded by statement (E) which states that for research, there really is no substitute for a larger body of qualified faculty members. So, the final arrangement would be **ADCBE**.

**S90. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Going through the given sentences it can be clearly seen that statement (A) will be the first sentence in the arrangement because it is independent and it tells us about the shortages of faculty in India's higher education sector at least since the 1980s, but it seems to have become permanent today. This will be then followed by statement (D) which states that the paucity of a sufficient number of faculty members undermines the growth of the country's knowledge sector and hinders its aspiration to be recognised as a "vishwa guru". It is then followed by statement (C) which mentions that colleges and universities need a sufficient number of teachers and researchers to create and disseminate knowledge. Statement (C) will be then followed by statement (B) which further mentions that for teaching purposes, online education is useful, but it cannot replace classroom instruction. Finally, the paragraph will be concluded by statement (E) which states that for research, there really is no substitute for a larger body of qualified faculty members. So, the final arrangement would be **ADCBE**.

**S91. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** 'Detected, Sensitive' is the correct use.  
Detected- discover or identify the presence or existence of.  
Sensitive- quick to detect or respond to slight changes, signals, or influences.

**S92. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** 'Strengthen, cooperation' is the correct use.  
Strengthen- make or become stronger.  
Cooperation- the action or process of working together to the same end.

**S93. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** 'issue, allocated' is the correct use.  
Allocated- distribute (resources or duties) for a particular purpose.

**S94. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** 'Condemns, violate' is the correct use.  
Condemns- express complete disapproval of; censure.  
Violate- break or fail to comply with (a rule or formal agreement).

**S95. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** 'deliver, spats' is the correct use.  
Spats- A disagreement or argument.

**S96. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Use 'had' in place of 'has' as the reporting speech 'he found' is in the past.

**S97. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** 'not only' should be used before 'from'.

**S98. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Use 'other' after 'no'.

**S99. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Use of 'with you' is superfluous here.

**S100. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Use 'has been' instead of 'had been'.

**S101. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The correct sequence is **CAGBEFD**

**S102. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The correct sequence is **CAGBEFD**

**S103. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The correct sequence is **CAGBEFD**

**S104. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The correct sequence is **CAGBEFD**

**S105. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The correct sequence is **CAGBEFD**

**S106. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** 'Incorrigible, plausible' is the correct choice for the given question.  
Incorrigible means (of a person or their behavior) not able to be changed or reformed.

**S107. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** 'ways, damaged', fits the two blanks perfectly.

**S108. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** 'unlimited, minimal' fits the two blanks most perfectly.

**S109. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** To 'constitute' is to 'make up'; to comprise is to 'contain' or 'include'. Moreover 'inculcated' in option (a) should be followed by 'into' and not 'to'.

**S110. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** 'Even more than' or 'even more what' do not work as short phrases.

**S111. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The most appropriate word that fits in the blank to make the sentence contextually meaningful and grammatically correct is “**fates**”. The word “fates” refers to the future of the languages, which is uncertain and it fits the context of the sentence perfectly. The sentence is talking about the discrimination that languages face, even as their fates are buoyed by public-spirited research and innovation. The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (a)** causations is an incorrect option as it means to the causes of something, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (b)** roots is an incorrect option as it means to the origins of something, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (c)** stimuli is an incorrect option as it means things that cause a reaction, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (d)** impetus is an incorrect option as it means things that motivate or encourage something, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**S112. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The most appropriate word that fits in the blank to make the sentence contextually meaningful and grammatically correct is “**viable**”. The word “viable” means capable of working successfully, so the sentence is saying that it is difficult to find solutions to faculty shortages that will actually work. The sentence is about the obstacles to finding viable solutions to faculty shortages. The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (a)** futile is an incorrect option as it means pointless or useless, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (b)** absurd is an incorrect option as it means ridiculous or unreasonable, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (d)** vain is an incorrect option as it means conceited or proud, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (e)** unviable is an incorrect option as it means not capable of working successfully, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**S113. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The most appropriate word that fits in the blank to make the sentence contextually meaningful and grammatically correct is “**appetizing**”. The word “appetizing” means appealing to the appetite, so the sentence is saying that the new food-growing schemes produce food that is more appealing to eat. The sentence is about new food-growing schemes that are more appetizing and nutritious than traditional methods. The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (b)** boring is an incorrect option as it means uninteresting or not interesting, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (c)** horrid is an incorrect option as it means horrible or dreadful, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (d)** insipid is an incorrect option as it means lacking flavor or interest, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (e)** disgusting is an incorrect option as it means revolting or sickening, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**S114. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The most appropriate word that fits in the blank to make the sentence contextually meaningful and grammatically correct is “**galactic**”. The word “galactic” means huge or vast; of or relating to a galaxy. The sentence is about the astronomers who have been working to better understand the galactic environments of fast radio bursts (FRBs). The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (a)** petite is an incorrect option as it means small or dainty, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (b)** dwarfish is an incorrect option as it means small or stunted, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (c)** minuscule is an incorrect option as it means very small, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (e)** bitty is an incorrect option as it means tiny or insignificant, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**S115. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The most appropriate word that fits in the blank to make the sentence contextually meaningful and grammatically correct is “**remarkable**”. The word “remarkable” means worthy of attention or notice, so the sentence is saying that the discovery is particularly noteworthy because it was made with a single telescope. The sentence is talking about the discovery of a mysterious signal and its source galaxy, which was made possible by a single telescope. The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (a)** conservative is an incorrect option as it means cautious or traditional, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (c)** ordinary is an incorrect option as it means usual or common, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (d)** habitual is an incorrect option as it means done regularly or often, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (e)** wonted is an incorrect option as it means accustomed or usual, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**S116. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The most appropriate word that fits in the blank to make the sentence contextually meaningful and grammatically correct is “**strains**”. The word “strains” refers to different variants of a microorganism, such as a bacterium or virus. Strains can differ in their genetic makeup, their ability to cause disease, and their response to treatment. The sentence is about a new study that has developed a method to detect all known strains of the disease caused by the amphibian chytrid fungus. The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (a)** posterities is an incorrect option as it means future generations, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (b)** inheritors is an incorrect option as it means people who receive something from someone who has died, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (c)** progenies is an incorrect option as it means offspring, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (d)** heirs is an incorrect option as it means people who are entitled to receive someone's property or title when they die, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**S117. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The most appropriate word that fits in the blank to make the sentence contextually meaningful and grammatically correct is “**installed**”. The word “installed” means to set up or place something in a particular location so that it is ready to be used. In the context of the question, the National Council of Science Museums, Kolkata installed the Foucault pendulum in the new Parliament building. This means that they set it up and made it ready to be used. The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (b)** canned is an incorrect option as it means preserved in a can, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (c)** mustered out is an incorrect option as it means discharged from military service, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (d)** reduced is an incorrect option as it means made smaller or less, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (e)** terminated is an incorrect option as it means ended or brought to an end, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**S118. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The most appropriate word that fits in the blank to make the sentence contextually meaningful and grammatically correct is “**promised**”. The word “promised” means to make a solemn declaration or assurance that one will do a particular thing. It is a commitment to do something in the

future. In the context of the sentence, “The Centre has promised to operationalize air services from the hill districts of Manipur to allow connectivity with the rest of the country,” the word “promised” means that the government has made a commitment to start air services from the hill districts of Manipur. This is a positive development, as it will improve connectivity and accessibility for the people of Manipur. It will also boost economic activity in the region. The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (a)** renege is an incorrect option as it means to go back on a promise, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (b)** unattached out is an incorrect option as it means not connected to anything, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (d)** bleak is an incorrect option as it means depressing or hopeless, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (e)** downbeat is an incorrect option as it means pessimistic or negative, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**S119. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The most appropriate word that fits in the blank to make the sentence contextually meaningful and grammatically correct is “**lack**”. The word “lack” means to not have enough of something. In the context of the question, it means that there is not enough agricultural storage capacity to store all of the food that is produced. This can lead to food being wasted, as it cannot be stored for long periods of time. It can also lead to farmers being forced to sell their crops at low prices, as they may not be able to store them until prices improve. The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (a)** surfeit is an incorrect option as it means an excessive amount of something, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (b)** raft is an incorrect option as it means a flat floating structure made from a number of logs or pieces of wood fastened together, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (c)** bounty is an incorrect option as it means a generous gift or reward, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (e)** plenitude is an incorrect option as it means the state of being full or plentiful, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**S120. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The most appropriate word that fits in the blank to make the sentence contextually meaningful and grammatically correct is “**screened**”. The word “screened” means to show a movie or television program on a screen. In the context of the question, it means that OTT streaming platforms are now required to display anti-tobacco warnings as seen in movies that are shown in theaters and on TV. The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (a)** caved is an incorrect option as it means to give in to pressure, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (b)** bombarded is an incorrect option as it means to attack with bombs, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (c)** beset is an incorrect option as it means to surround or attack, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**Option (d)** yielded is an incorrect option as it means to give up or surrender, which does not fit the context of the sentence.

**S121. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “ensuring & managing” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is talking about the concerns in managing leaks, fixing accountability, and ensuring equity and justice among producers and consumers. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **ACBD**. No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “There are **concerns** about limitations in in **managing** leaks, fixing accountability, and **ensuring** equity and **justice** among producers and consumers.”

**S122. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “surfaced & allegations” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is talking about the allegations and accusations of demand for payments for the permanent appointments have surfaced time and again, and too frequently. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **DBCA**. No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “**Allegations** and accusations of demand for **payments** for permanent **appointments** have **surfaced** time and again, and too frequently.”

**S123. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “products & production” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is discussing that more recently, there has been the Production-Linked Incentive scheme, which essentially subsidizes production of certain products. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **ABDC**. No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “More **recently**, there has been the Production-Linked Incentive **scheme**, which essentially subsidizes **production** of certain **products**.”

**S124. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “captive & chip” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is talking about a problem with many chip facilities in the traditional sense is that they tend to be captive units of large companies. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **CBAD**. No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “A problem with many **chip** facilities in the traditional **sense** is that they tend to be **captive** units of large **companies**.”

**S125. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “ecological & studies” and “trade & substantial” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is talking about the recent studies that have shown that a substantial share of the total ecological impact is due to the displacement of environmental damage through international trade. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **CDAB**. No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “Recent **studies** have shown that a **substantial** share of the total **ecological** impact is due to the displacement of environmental damage through international **trade**.”

**S126. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “products & vast” and “global & consumer” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is discussing that due to its vast size and consumer market, India is a global anchor of the trade in agricultural products. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **DCBA**. No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “Due to its **vast** size and **consumer** market, India is a **global** anchor of the trade in agricultural **products**.”

**S127. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “pleasure & tiresome” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is saying that despite tiresome moments, forest personnel press pauses and take pleasure in the simple joys of nature to replenish their spirits during the summer months. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **BACD**. No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “Despite **tiresome** moments, Forest personnel press pause and take **pleasure** in the simple **joys** of Nature to replenish their **spirits** during the summer months.”

**S128. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “challenge & confines” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is saying that to keep astronauts well-nourished for extended periods within the limited, zero-gravity confines of space vehicles in low-Earth orbit long has posed a challenge for NASA. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **ADCB**. No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “Keeping astronauts well-nourished for **extended** periods within the limited, zero-gravity **confines** of space vehicles in low-Earth orbit long has **posed** a **challenge** for NASA.”

**S129. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The given sentence has a proper grammatical structure and the words are in the correct sequence. Therefore, no rearrangement is required. The correct answer is option (e).

**S130. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “needs & changes” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is discussing about the needs that the fashion industry as a whole, needs to adopt, to reduce emissions such as sustainable customer behavior. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **BACD**. No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “There are **changes** that the fashion industry, as a whole, **needs** to adopt, to reduce **emissions** such as sustainable **customer** behavior.”

**S131. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling should be “commit”. Commit is defined as consign (someone) officially to prison, especially on remand. All the other words are correctly spelt and used appropriately with the context.

**Additional Information:**

Released means to set free from confinement or restraint. Prison is a place where people are kept in confinement as a punishment for a crime. Evidence is anything that furnishes proof. It can be used to establish the truth or falsity of a statement or to prove or disprove a fact.

**S132. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling should be “paucity”. Paucity is defined as the presence of something in only small or insufficient quantities or amounts. All the other words are correctly spelt and used appropriately with the context.

**Additional Information:**

Faculty is the body of teachers and researchers at a university or college. Undermines means to weaken or destroy the foundation of something. Knowledge is understanding or familiarity gained by experience or study.

**S133. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling should be “tracks”. Tracks is defined as a rough path or road, typically one beaten by use rather than constructed or follow the trail or movements of (someone or something), typically in order to find them or note their course. All the other words are correctly spelt and used appropriately with the context.

**Additional Information:**

Current means happening now or at the present time. Sections are parts or divisions of a whole. Desired means wanted or wished for.

**S134. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling should be “Olympiad”. Olympiad is defined as a major international contest in a particular game, sport, or scientific subject. All the other words are correctly spelt and used appropriately with the context.

**Additional Information:**

Extremely means to a very high degree. Circuit is an established itinerary of events or venues used for a particular activity, typically involving sport or public performance. Successfully means to achieve a desired or intended outcome.

**S135. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling should be “graphene”. Graphene is defined as a form of carbon consisting of planar sheets which are one atom thick, with the atoms arranged in a honeycomb-shaped lattice.

All the other words are correctly spelt and used appropriately with the context.

**Additional Information:**

Catch - to seize or capture something, especially by surprise. Research - the systematic investigation into and study of a subject, especially one that has practical applications. Defining - to give a definition of something. It can also mean to establish the limits or boundaries of something.

**S136. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling should be “messy”. Messy is defined as (of a situation) confused and difficult to deal with or generating or involving mess. All the other words are correctly spelt and used appropriately with the context.

**Additional Information:**

Academic refers to the activities associated with the pursuit of knowledge, such as teaching, research, and writing. Websites are collections of information and resources that are published on the internet. Partial means not complete or whole.

**S137. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling should be “consequences”. Consequences is defined as a result or effect, typically one that is unwelcome or unpleasant; importance or relevance. All the other words are correctly spelt and used appropriately with the context.

**Additional Information:**

Increasing - growing or becoming greater in size, number, or amount.

Products - the goods or services that are produced by a company or individual.

Significant - having or likely to have a major effect or influence.

**S138. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling should be “amounts”. Amounts is defined as a quantity of something, especially the total of a thing or things in number, size, value, or extent or come to be (the total) when added together. All the other words are correctly spelt and used appropriately with the context.

**Additional Information:**

Vast - very large in size, extent, or scope.

Borders - the line that separates two countries or other areas.

Satisfy - to meet the needs or expectations of someone or something.

**S139. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling should be “paradigm”. Paradigm is defined as a typical example or pattern of something; a pattern or model or a set of linguistic items that form mutually exclusive choices in particular syntactic roles. All the other words are correctly spelt and used appropriately with the context.

**Additional Information:**

Allocating - to distribute or apportion something, especially resources or funds.

Responsibility - the state or fact of being responsible, liable, or accountable for something.

Accounting - the recording, analysis, and interpretation of financial information.

**S140. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling should be “adjunct”. Adjunct is defined as a thing added to something else as a supplementary rather than an essential part or connected or added to something. All the other words are correctly spelt and used appropriately with the context.

**Additional Information:**

Widespread means existing or occurring over a large area or number of people.

Ghost refers to a disembodied spirit or soul of a deceased person.

Universities are institutions of higher education that offer undergraduate and graduate degrees.

**S141. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Part (D) has a grammatical error. The word “themselves” is plural, so it should be changed to “itself” to agree with the singular subject “Secretariat.” To make the sentence grammatically correct, “themselves” should be replaced with “itself”.

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct.

Therefore, the correct sentence would be: “The South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) summits ended in 2014, but the Secretariat somehow keeps itself busy.”

**S142. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Part (B) has a grammatical error. The word “aims” should be in the present tense, as it refers to an ongoing goal of the ETS. To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word “aimed” should be replaced with “aims”.

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct.

Therefore, the correct sentence would be: “The ETS is a market-based mechanism that aims at reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by allowing bodies emitting GHG to buy and sell these emissions amongst themselves.”

**S143. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Part (C) has a grammatical error. The word “would” is incorrect because it implies that environmental protection will inevitably become a smokescreen for trade protectionism. This is not necessarily the case, as there are many ways to protect the environment without resorting to protectionism. The correct word to use is “should.” This word conveys the idea that environmental protection should not become a smokescreen for trade protectionism, but it does not imply that it will inevitably do so. To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word “would” should be replaced with “should”.

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct.

Therefore, the correct sentence would be: “While the international trade regime allows countries to adopt unilateral measures for safeguarding the environment, environmental protection should not become a smokescreen for trade protectionism.”

**S144. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Part (A) has a grammatical error. The subject of the sentence is "ChatGPT," which is singular. Therefore, the verb "generate" should be in the singular form, "generates." To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "generate" should be replaced with **"generates"**.

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "ChatGPT generates responses to queries by predicting likely word combinations from a massive amalgam of available online information."

**S145. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Part (B) has a grammatical error. The comparative form of "vigilant" is "more vigilant". The superlative form of "vigilant" is "most vigilant". "More vigilant" is used to compare two things, while "most vigilant" is used to compare three or more things. In this case, the speaker is comparing the current level of vigilance to the level of vigilance in the past. Therefore, the correct phrase is "more vigilant than ever". To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "most" should be replaced with **"more"**.

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "Every media consumer needs to be more vigilant than ever in verifying scientific accuracy in what they read."

**S146. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Part (B) has a grammatical error. The preposition "among" is used to refer to three or more things. In this case, the sentence is referring to two things: truth and fiction. The correct preposition to use in this case is "between." To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "among" should be replaced with **"between"**.

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "We are concerned about how generative AI may blur the boundaries between truth and fiction for those seeking authoritative scientific information."

**S147. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Part (C) has a grammatical error. The error in the sentence is in the phrase "light wave are ripples." The correct phrase is "light waves are ripples." The word "wave" is singular, while the word "waves" is plural. The phrase "light waves" refers to multiple waves of light, while the phrase "light wave" refers to a single wave of light. The sentence is trying to compare gravitational waves to light waves, so it should use the plural form of the word "wave." To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "wave" should be replaced with **"waves"**.

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "Gravitational waves are ripples in the gravitational field, just as light waves are ripples in the electromagnetic field."

**S148. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Part (A) has a grammatical error. The error in the sentence is in the phrase "the launching of." The correct phrase is "the launch of." The word "launching" is a gerund, which is a verb that is used as a noun. In this case, the gerund "launching" is being used as the object of the preposition "for." However, gerunds cannot be used as the objects of prepositions. The correct word to use in this case is the noun "launch." To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "launching" should be replaced with **"launch"**.

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "ISRO is working for the launch of the synthetic aperture radar mission (NISAR) in association with NASA and a future launch of INSAT-3Ds."

**S149. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Part (B) has a grammatical error. The error is in the verb "told." The sentence is in the present tense, so the verb should be "tell." To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "told" should be replaced with **"tell"**.

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "Any biology textbook will tell you that mutation and natural selection drive evolutionary change in species."

**S150. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** There is no error in the sentence. The sentence is grammatically correct

**S151. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **ADCB**. The sentence thus arranged is,

"The extreme rate of mortality, and the high number of species affected, makes chytrid unequivocally the deadliest animal disease known to date."

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

**S152. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **DBCA**. The sentence thus arranged is,

"Whether a small scrape, a larger cut, or a burn – our skin can repair itself after injury through a complex wound-healing process."

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

**S153. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **CBAD**. The sentence thus arranged is,

"Bringing a new drug into the market is a long, expensive, and challenging process ridden with failure."

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

**S154. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **BACD**. The sentence thus arranged is,

“Chronic non-healing wounds affect tens of millions of people around the world and cause a staggering financial burden on the health care system.”

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

**S155. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **DCBA**. The sentence thus arranged is,

“Just as milkshakes once became more flamboyant simple latte art on coffee has now been overshadowed by photographs printed on the foam.”

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

**S156. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **DCBA**. The sentence thus arranged is,

“Large land areas in India are used to service the international demand for grains, fruits, and vegetables, among other products, which puts pressure on national soil and water resources.”

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

**S157. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **ACBD**. The sentence thus arranged is,

“Children should be encouraged to make regular visits to the museum to understand the history of Indian Air Force and also about the career opportunities.”

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

**S158. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **CBAD**. The sentence thus arranged is,

“More older women are now learning to dance, gathering together at apartment complexes and signing up for online classes, as they discover the benefits of movement.”

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

**S159. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **ACBD**. The sentence thus arranged is,

“Driven by a pandemic-induced shift in consumer awareness about health and fitness, smartwatches are seeing tremendous growth in India.”

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

**S160. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The right answer choice is **ABDC**. The sentence thus arranged is,

“While photos of the food and beverages take the first priority in bringing about the most instagrammable-dining experience, the ambience has a major role to play as well.”

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

**S161. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The correct answer choice is option (b).

**S162. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The correct answer choice is option (c).

**S163. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The correct answer choice is option (a).

**S164. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The correct answer choice is option (d).

**S165. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The correct answer choice is option (c).

**S166. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The correct sequence is given below.

(D) Crocodiles are sometimes described as living fossils for their close resemblance

(A) to their forebears who roamed the earth during the age of the dinosaurs.

(C) But if you happened to find yourself a time machine that sent you back to the Mesozoic Era, not all the crocodiles you would come across would size you up as a tasty meal.

(F) That's according to a new study published in Cell Press on Thursday that fed high-resolution

(E) scans of 146 teeth from 16 extinct species into a computer model and determined that,

(B) unlike their modern progeny who are known for their ferocity, some early crocodyliforms were an altogether more peaceful lot.

Hence, the correct order is **DACFEB**

**S167. Ans.(a)**

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Hence, the correct order is **DACFEB**

**S171. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** 'slated, allow' is the correct use.

**Slated** means to criticize severely.

**S172. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** 'hostile, rioting' is the correct use.

**Hostile** means showing or feeling opposition or dislike.

**Rioting** means take part in a violent public disturbance.

**S173. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** 'overwhelmed, extend' is the correct use.

**Overwhelmed** means to defeat someone or something by using a lot of force.

**Extend** means to increase.

**S174. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** 'Concerned, switch' is the correct use.

**Concerned** means feeling or showing worry.

**Switch** means an act of changing to or adopting one thing in place of another.

**S175. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** 'Forced, settle' is the correct use.

**Settle** means resolve or reach an agreement about.

**S176. Ans.(c)**

**S177. Ans.(a)**

**S178. Ans.(e)**

**S179. Ans.(b)**

**S180. Ans.(d)**

**S181. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Part (C) has a grammatical error. The subject of the sentence is "Sharp deficits," which is plural. Therefore, the verb should be "are," not "is." To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "is" should be replaced with "are".

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "Sharp deficits during July and August, particularly in central India, are likely to influence agricultural output."

**S182. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Part (C) has a grammatical error. The subject of the sentence is "A large part," which is singular. Therefore, the verb should be "involves," not "involve." To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "involve" should be replaced with "involves".

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "A large part of semiconductor manufacturing involves design and intellectual labor."

**S183. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Part (D) has a grammatical error. The phrase "old generations" is grammatically incorrect. The correct phrase is "older generations." To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "old" should be replaced with "older".

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "The demand for smartwatches extends beyond youngsters, as many health features appeal to the older generations as well."

**S184. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Part (B) has a grammatical error. The error is in the use of the plural verb "have" instead of the singular verb "has." The subject of the sentence is "a carbon price," which is singular. Therefore, the verb should be "has," not "have." To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "have" should be replaced with "has".

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "However, where a carbon price has been explicitly paid for the imported products in the country of origin, a reduction can be claimed."

**S185. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Part (B) has a grammatical error. The error is in the use of the singular noun "weight" instead of the plural noun "weights." The sentence is about lifting weights or doing body weight exercises, which are both plural nouns. To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "weight" should be replaced with "weights".

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "Tread cautiously if you are lifting weights or doing body weight exercises for the first time."

**S186. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The sentence is grammatically correct and there are no errors.

**S187. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Part (C) has a grammatical error. The error is in the use of the verb "suit" instead of the verb "suits." The subject of the sentence is "what," which is singular. Therefore, the verb should be "suits," not "suit." To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "suit" should be replaced with "suits".

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "There's no dearth of fitness channels on the internet and zeroing in on what suits your body best can be confusing."

**S188. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Part (B) has a grammatical error. The verb "pushes" does not agree with the subject "factor." The correct verb should be "pushing." To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "pushes" should be replaced with "pushing".

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "Another big factor pushing demand for smartwatches is the increase in productivity."

**S189. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Part (B) has a grammatical error. The error is in the use of the singular verb "reveal" instead of the plural verb "reveals." The subject of the sentence is "Each sort of cheese," which is singular. Therefore, the verb should be "reveals," not "reveal." To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "reveal" should be replaced with "reveals".

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "Each sort of cheese reveals a pasture of a different green, under a different sky."

**S190. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Part (C) has a grammatical error. The error is in the use of the preposition "above" instead of the preposition "over." The preposition "over" is used to indicate a period of time, while the preposition "above" is used to indicate a location. In this sentence, the preposition "over" is the correct choice because it indicates the period of time during which the muscles will break down and rebuild. To make the sentence grammatically correct, the word "above" should be replaced with "over".

The other parts of the sentence are grammatically correct. Therefore, the correct sentence would be: "During strength training, muscles go through a process of breaking down and rebuilding over the next 24 to 48 hours."

**S191. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is "turn". This is the most appropriate option because it accurately describes the process of semiconductor fabrication. Fabs use a variety of techniques to turn raw materials into complex integrated circuits.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Turn: To move around or rotate on an axis.
- Abide - to stay or continue in a place or state
- Linger - to stay or remain for a longer time than is necessary or expected
- Twist - to move or bend in a series of turns
- Overlook - to fail to notice or take into account something

**S192. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is "hardware". This is the most appropriate option because it accurately describes the purpose of fabs. Fabs are used to manufacture the electronic components that are used in a wide variety of devices, including computers, smartphones, and televisions. The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Downgrade (downgrade something) - to reduce the status or importance of something
- Demote (demote someone) - to reduce someone's rank or position in a job
- Curve (curve something) - to bend or change the shape of something
- Affects (affect something) - to have an influence on something
- Hardware (hardware something) - the physical parts of a machine or device

**S193. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is "reliable". This is the most appropriate option because it accurately describes the need for fabs to have a reliable supply of resources. Fabs are sensitive to disruptions in their supply of water, electricity, and insulation, as even a small interruption can damage the delicate equipment used to manufacture integrated circuits.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- treacherous - (of a person or their actions) deliberately intending to do harm or to betray someone

- reductions - (of something, especially a quantity or amount) the action of making something smaller or less in number
- reliable: Able to be depended on; trustworthy.
- perfidious - (of a person) not to be trusted or relied on; treacherous
- deceitful - (of a person) dishonest or untruthful

**S194. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is "insulation". This is the most appropriate option because it helps to protect the delicate electronic components from the harsh environment. It also helps to reduce the amount of energy that is lost, which can save money and improve efficiency.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Insulation- Material that prevents the passage of heat, electricity, or sound.
- Mention- to refer to something in speech or writing
- Desegregation- the process of ending segregation
- Rotation- the act of turning something around a central axis
- Fellowship- a close association between people, especially one based on shared interests or goals

**S195. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is "sophisticated". This is the most appropriate option because the circuits that they produce are used in practically all electronic devices in the world, and they must be of the highest quality in order to function properly.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Rustical- relating to the countryside or rural areas
- Parochial- limited or narrow in outlook
- Unrefined- not polished or refined
- Sophisticated- advanced or complex
- Idealistic- having or showing high ideals

**S196. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is "disseminate". This is the most appropriate option because in the context of colleges and universities, disseminate means to share knowledge and information with a large audience. This can be done through teaching, research, and publication.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Obscure- to make something unclear or difficult to understand
- Shroud- to cover something completely
- Veil- to cover something partially
- Restrict- to limit or reduce something
- Disseminate- to spread or distribute information widely

**S197. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is “**replace**”. This is the most appropriate option because in the context of the question, online education cannot replace classroom instruction. This is because online education does not provide the same level of interaction and support that is available in a traditional classroom setting.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Replace- to put something in place of something else
- Argue- to give reasons for or against something
- Remove- to take something away from a particular place
- Hold- to keep something in your hands or arms
- Remain- to stay in the same place or condition

**S198. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is “**substitute**”. This is the most appropriate option because in the context it is used to say that there is no alternative to having a larger body of qualified faculty members for research.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Substitute- something that can be used in place of something else
- Genuine (adjective)- real, authentic
- Disadvantages (noun)- negative aspects
- Bona fide (adjective)- genuine, legitimate
- Legitimate (adjective)- legal, valid

**S199. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is “**viable**”. This is the most appropriate option because in the context, it is used to say that India needs to find solutions that are likely to be successful in addressing the faculty shortage.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- Absurd- ridiculous or senseless
- Vain- having or showing an excessive interest in one's own appearance or accomplishments
- Outlandish- very strange or unusual
- Viable- capable of working successfully
- Ridiculous- extremely silly or absurd

**S200. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The word that fits best in the blank is “**to**”. This is the most appropriate option because in the context, it is used to say that there are two main obstacles that India needs to overcome in order to find viable solutions to faculty shortages.

The other words do not fit the context of the sentence.

**Additional Information:**

- In (preposition)- within, inside
- To (preposition)- in order to, directed towards
- And (conjunction)- both, in addition to
- But (conjunction)- on the other hand, however
- Even (adverb)- even though, despite the fact that

**S201. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Only **A-D** can make a contextually correct and grammatically meaningful sentence. Rest of the phrases fail to do so either because they are part of some other sentence or because they are independent sentence. Sentence thus formed by combining A-D is:

“The organization implemented a flexible work-from-home policy to promote work-life balance.”

This pair creates a coherent statement.

**S202. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Only **B-F** can make a contextually correct and grammatically meaningful sentence. Rest of the phrases fail to do so either because they are part of some other sentence or because they are independent sentence. Sentence thus formed by combining B-F is:

“The government announced stricter environmental regulations to combat climate change.”

This pair creates a coherent statement.

**S203. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Only **C-F** can make a contextually correct and grammatically meaningful sentence. Rest of the phrases fail to do so either because they are part of some other sentence or because they are independent sentence. Sentence thus formed by combining C-F is:

“The tiny mouse made a susurrant noise as it scampered across the floor.”

This pair creates a coherent statement.

**S204. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Only **B-E** can make a contextually correct and grammatically meaningful sentence. Rest of the phrases fail to do so either because they are part of some other sentence or because they are independent sentence. Sentence thus formed by combining B-E is:

“There is a difference between an innocent jest and a mean-spirited ridicule.”

This pair creates a coherent statement.

**S205. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Only **B-D** can make a contextually correct and grammatically meaningful sentence. Rest of the phrases fail to do so either because they are part of some other sentence or because they are independent sentence. Sentence thus formed by combining B-D is:

“Each spectator had to purchase a ticket to watch the boxing match.”

This pair creates a coherent statement.

**S206. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Only **A-E** can make a contextually correct and grammatically meaningful sentence. Rest of the phrases fail to do so either because they are part of some other sentence or because they are independent sentence. Sentence thus formed by combining A-E is:

“A vast majority of the students didn’t pass the test, so the teacher decided to reteach the material.”

This pair creates a coherent statement.

**S207. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Only **C-D** can make a contextually correct and grammatically meaningful sentence. Rest of the phrases fail to do so either because they are part of some other sentence or because they are independent sentence. Sentence thus formed by combining C-D is:

“The fitness trainer was a perfect picture of health and vitality.”

This pair creates a coherent statement.

**S208. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Only **B-F** can make a contextually correct and grammatically meaningful sentence. Rest of the phrases fail to do so either because they are part of some other sentence or because they are independent sentence. Sentence thus formed by combining B-F is:

“You know you are getting old when you start to reiterate your responses before you are asked to do so.”

This pair creates a coherent statement.

**S209. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Only **A-D** can make a contextually correct and grammatically meaningful sentence. Rest of the phrases fail to do so either because they are part of some other sentence or because they are independent sentence. Sentence thus formed by combining A-D is:

“Compared to the tortoise, the hare ran speedily in the direction of the finish line.”

This pair creates a coherent statement.

**S210. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Only **C-E** can make a contextually correct and grammatically meaningful sentence. Rest of the phrases fail to do so either because they are part of some other sentence or because they are independent sentence. Sentence thus formed by combining C-E is:

“When the man accosted me with a gun, I quickly handed over my purse.”

This pair creates a coherent statement.

**S211. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “origin & portion” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is discussing that India has an advantage as a large portion of semiconductor design engineers globally are either Indian or Indian-origin. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **ADCB**.

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “India has an **advantage** here, as a large **portion** of semiconductor design engineers **globally** are either Indian or Indian-**origin**.”

**S212. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “native & affected” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is talking about pollution that has badly affected the fish harvest and has destroyed the breeding grounds of the native fish. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **DBCA**.

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “Pollution has badly **affected** the fish harvest and has **destroyed** the breeding **grounds** of the **native** fish.”

**S213. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “offer & theatre” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is talking food theatre that has become an an inevitable experience to offer for restaurants to stay in the game. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **CBAD**.

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “Food **theatre** has become an **inevitable** experience to **offer** for restaurants to **stay** in the game.”

**S214. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “ultimate & ultra” and “mean & more” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is discussing about an ultra marathon which is all about ultimate endurance and regular training; running more than 42.2 kilometres is no mean task. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **BADC**.

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “An **ultra** marathon is all about **ultimate** endurance and regular training; running **more** than 42.2 kilometres is no **mean** task.”

**S215. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “lead & rebuild” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is discussing a muscle that needs anywhere from 24 to 48 hours to repair and rebuild, and working it again too soon can lead to tissue breakdown. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **ABDC**.

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence.

Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “A muscle **needs** anywhere from 24 to 48 **hours** to repair and **rebuild**, and working it again too soon can **lead** to tissue breakdown.”

**S216. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “works & exercise” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is discussing that push-up is an upper body exercise that works on the pectoral muscles on our chest and triceps on our legs. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **BACD**.

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence. Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “The push-up is an upper-body **exercise** that **works** on the **pectoral** muscles on our chest and **triceps** on our legs.”

**S217. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “users & platform” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is discussing that the whatsapp is a popular instant messaging platform used by millions of users around the world. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **CBAD**.

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence. Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “WhatsApp is a **popular** instant messaging **platform** used by millions of **users** around the **world**.”

**S218. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “meeting & manager” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is discussing that the manager of the finance department sent a memo out to employees telling them when the next meeting would be held. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **DBCA**.

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence. Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “The **manager** of the **finance** department sent a memo out to **employees** telling them when the next **meeting** would be held.”

**S219. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “coworkers & effectual” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is discussing that it is crucial to maintain an effectual working relationship with your colleagues and coworkers. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **ADCB**.

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence. Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “It is **crucial** to maintain an **effectual** working **relationship** with your colleagues and **coworkers**.”

**S220. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, “wrestle & unhappy” are incorrectly placed as the given statement is talking about the unhappy worker who continues to wrestle with the decision to find a better job. Thus, the correct arrangement will be **BACD**.

No other rearrangement results in a meaningful sentence. Hence, the correct sentence formed will be, “The **unhappy** worker continues to **wrestle** with the **decision** to find a **better** job.”

**S221. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The word “**forge**” fits both blanks appropriately and adds a proper and logical meaning to the sentences. Forge means to make or shape (a metal object) by heating it in a fire or furnace and hammering it.

In the first sentence, “forge” means a workshop where metal is shaped by heating and hammering. This is a central hub of activity because it is where the skilled craftsmen make the tools, weapons, and armor that the ancient civilization needs. In the second sentence, “forge” means to shape metal by heating and hammering. This is what the blacksmith does with the roaring fire in his forge to create a magnificent sword.

The other options do not fit both blanks appropriately.

“**Balk**” means to hesitate or refuse

“**Cease**” means to stop

“**Detain**” means to keep someone in custody

“**Impede**” means to hinder or obstruct

**S222. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The word “**garnered**” fits both blanks appropriately and adds a proper and logical meaning to the sentences.

In the first sentence, “garnered” means to receive or collect something, especially praise or approval. This makes sense in the context of the sentence, as the talented actress received critical acclaim for her mesmerizing performance in the film.

In the second sentence, “garnered” means to gather or collect something, especially support or money. This also makes sense in the context of the sentence, as the charity event gathered immense support from the community, with people coming together to donate generously.

The other options do not fit both blanks appropriately. For example,

“**Scattered**” means to spread something over a wide area

“**Dissolved**” means to make something disappear or become absorbed into something else

“**Forfeited**” means to give something up or lose something

“**Dissipated**” means to disappear or become weaker



**S223. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The word "**prominent**" fits both blanks appropriately and adds a proper and logical meaning to the sentences.

In the first sentence, "prominent" means well-known and important. This makes sense in the context of the sentence, as the architect designed iconic buildings that transformed city skylines.

In the second sentence, "prominent" means important and well-respected. This also makes sense in the context of the sentence, as the historian's books were considered authoritative sources on the subject.

The other options do not fit both blanks appropriately. For example,

"**Faint**" means weak or barely perceptible

"**Modest**" means unassuming or not boastful

"**Subdued**" means quiet or restrained

"**Unsung**" means not praised or celebrated

**S224. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The word "**wary**" means cautious or careful, which fits both blanks appropriately and adds a proper and logical meaning to the sentences.

In the first sentence, the parents are cautious or careful about letting their children play near the busy street. This makes sense because the busy street is a dangerous place for children to play. The parents are aware of the danger and are taking steps to protect their children.

In the second sentence, the traveler is cautious or careful about keeping an eye on their belongings in the crowded railway station. This makes sense because the crowded railway station is a place where belongings are often stolen. The traveler is aware of the danger and is taking steps to protect their belongings.

The other options do not fit both blanks appropriately.

"**Remiss**" means negligent or careless

"**Lax**" means relaxed or not strict

"**Brash**" means bold or reckless

"**Heedless**" means careless or unthinking

**S225. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The word "**cog**" means a tooth on a wheel or gear, which fits both blanks appropriately and adds a proper and logical meaning to the sentences.

In the first sentence, networking acts as a cog in the corporate world, connecting professionals and creating opportunities. This makes sense because networking is a way of connecting people and creating opportunities. It is like a cog in a machine that helps to keep the machine running smoothly.

In the second sentence, the cog in the machine was responsible for connecting two gears and facilitating smooth movement. This makes sense because a cog is a tooth on a wheel or gear that helps to connect two gears and facilitate smooth movement.

The other options do not fit both blanks appropriately.

"**Employer**" means a person or organization that employs people

"**Superior**" means a person of higher rank or status

"**Gaffer**" means a foreman or overseer

"**Boss**" means a person who is in charge of a group of people

**S226. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The word "**ousted**" means to force someone out of a position of power or authority, which fits both blanks appropriately and adds a proper and logical meaning to the sentences.

In the first sentence, the board of directors ousted the CEO after a series of financial scandals came to light. This makes sense because the board of directors is responsible for the company and they would want to remove the CEO if they were involved in financial scandals.

In the second sentence, the uprising led to the president being ousted from power, marking a significant turning point in the nation's history. This makes sense because the uprising was a popular movement that wanted to remove the president from power. The president's ouster was a significant turning point in the nation's history because it marked the end of one era and the beginning of another.

The other options do not fit both blanks appropriately.

"**Lodged**" means to provide someone with a place to stay

"**Harbored**" means to give shelter or protection to someone

"**Admitted**" means to allow someone to enter a place or to agree that something is true

"**Received**" means to get or accept something

**S227. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The word "**reap**" means to gather or harvest a crop, which fits both blanks appropriately and adds a proper and logical meaning to the sentences.

In the first sentence, if you work hard and stay committed, you will reap the rewards of your efforts. This makes sense because if you work hard and stay committed, you will eventually achieve your goals and be rewarded for your efforts.

In the second sentence, the farmer was excited to reap the bountiful harvest after months of tending to the crops. This makes sense because the farmer has been working hard to take care of the crops and is now ready to harvest them.

The other options do not fit both blanks appropriately.

"**Sow**" means to plant seeds

"**Pay**" means to give money to someone in exchange for goods or services

"**Yield**" means to produce or give something

"**Accord**" means to give or grant something

**S228. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The word "**empathetic**" means showing an understanding of and care for another person's feelings and experiences, which fits both blanks appropriately and adds a proper and logical meaning to the sentences.

In the first sentence, the teacher showed an empathetic approach, taking the time to understand each student's unique challenges. This makes sense because an empathetic teacher would be able to understand and care about each student's individual needs and challenges.

In the second sentence, the friend offered an empathetic shoulder to lean on, providing comfort and support during a difficult time. This makes sense because an empathetic friend would be able to understand and care about the friend's feelings and experiences, and would be able to provide comfort and support during a difficult time.

The other options do not fit both blanks appropriately.

"**Oppressive**" means burdensome or harsh

"**Rancorous**" means bitter or resentful

"**Acrimonious**" means angry or bitter

"**Spiteful**" means malicious or vindictive

**S229. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The word "**heretic**" means a person who holds an opinion that is contrary to the orthodox beliefs of their religion, which fits both blanks appropriately and adds a proper and logical meaning to the sentences.

In the first sentence, the accused witch was branded a heretic and faced a trial that ultimately resulted in their execution. This makes sense because witches were often accused of heresy and executed by the church. In the second sentence, Galileo was considered a heretic by the Catholic Church for advocating heliocentrism, challenging the geocentric model of the universe. This makes sense because heliocentrism was considered heresy by the Catholic Church at the time.

The other options do not fit both blanks appropriately.

"**Conformer**" is a person who conforms to the accepted standards of behavior or thought

"**Adherent**" is a person who sticks to a particular belief or principle

"**Believer**" is a person who believes in something

"**Supporter**" is a person who supports something

**S230. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The word "**Fastidious**" means very attentive to and concerned about accuracy and detail, which fits both blanks appropriately and adds a proper and logical meaning to the sentences.

In the first sentence, Jane's fastidious nature made her the perfect candidate for the job of quality control inspector. This makes sense because a quality control inspector needs to be very attentive to detail in order to ensure that products meet quality standards. In the second sentence, the chef's fastidious approach to cooking resulted in perfectly balanced flavors in every dish. This makes sense because a chef needs to be very attentive to detail in order to create dishes that are perfectly balanced.

The other options do not fit both blanks appropriately.

"**Permissive**" means allowing or permitting something

"**Lenient**" means merciful or tolerant

"**Unfussy**" means not fussy or particular

"**Lackadaisical**" means lacking enthusiasm and determination

**S231. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** There are errors in parts (A), (B) and (D). There is no error in part (C) .

Part (A) must be 'one of the biggest'. Usage of article 'the' is necessary before superlative degree of the word 'big'.

Part (B) must be 'problem we face in'

Part (D) must be 'inability to'.

Hence option (c) is the correct answer.

**S232. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** There are errors in parts (B),(C) and (D).

Part (A) is free of error.

The correction is as follows:

Part (B) must be goods and services.

Part (C) must be not freely available.

Part (D) must be and thus the prices are.

**S233. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Only part (D) of the sentence is correct. Parts (A), (B) and (C) are erroneous.

In the part (A), the Heads of Government must be used as there are more than one country. So, there should be more than one head.

In the part (B), of the countries must be used. The usage of article 'the' is required.

In the part (C), which are members must be used because we are not talking about a singular country instead a plural noun that is, countries so its members.

**S234. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Only part (A) is correct.

In the part (B) the preposition 'for' must be replaced by 'of' whereas in the part (C) the preposition 'of' must be replaced by 'for'. In the part (D), 'have' must be replaced with 'has' since this verb takes the form of new knowledge and new ways.

**S235. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Except the part (a), all other options are erroneous. Since the partition and bloodletting are uncountable nouns it will take a conjunction 'that' and not 'who' in part (B). Furthermore in the part (C), our Independence took up. This is so because these events have already happened in the past. In the part (D), 'many of the must' be replaced by 'much of the'.

**S236. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The most appropriate phrase/word that deciphers the meaning of the highlighted idiom/phrase is "escape" as "to give them a slip" means to "escape". Thus, the sentence means that the police were on the criminal's trail but in the end he managed to escape from the police. All the other words do not convey the appropriate meaning.

**S237. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** "Hitting the books" means to study especially in time of tests and exams. Here the sentence means implying the meaning of the idiom as "They go to the beach when they should be studying real hard and then they wonder why they don't get good marks."

**S238. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** 'Hold your horses' means be patient. The idiom can be used with any person/subject—hold one's horses—so you could say, "I've got to hold my horses," "they better hold their horses," "he can't hold his horses," etc. It can be used when someone is asking you, or putting pressure on you, to do something.

**S239. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** "Dead ringer" is an idiom which means duplicate or an exact copy; a person or thing that closely resembles another. It means "an exact duplicate" and derives from 19th-century horse-racing slang for a horse presented "under a false name and pedigree"; "ringer" was a late nineteenth-century term for a duplicate, usually with implications of dishonesty, and "dead" in this case means "precise", as in "dead center".

**S240. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** "Dry run" is an idiom which means a rehearsal of a performance or procedure before the real one. Used in terms of performances as well as a corporate jargon which means to give something a trial before it is actually launched. Rest all the options fail to satisfy the given idiom.

**S241. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The answer to the question can be derived from the first paragraph '*There are many things that make us what we are—how we live, the languages we speak, what we eat, wear, the games we play and the things we celebrate. All of these are influenced both by the geography and history of the place where we live*'. From the sentences, we can understand that the aspects which makes us what we are '*how we live, the languages we speak, what we eat, wear, the games we play and the things we celebrate*' but these aspects are influenced by the *geography and history of the place where we live*. Hence, the option (b) is the correct answer.

**S242. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The answer to the question can be derived from the second paragraph. The paragraph mentions that there are more than 1600 languages that are people's mother tongues, NOT 16000 languages. So, the statement (I) is incorrect. The statement (II) is correct which can be inferred from the first two sentences of the second paragraph. The statement (III) is also correct as is evident from the last phrase of the last sentence of the second paragraph. So, the statements (II) and (III) are correct while the statement (I) is incorrect. Hence, the option (c) is the correct answer.

**S243. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The answer to the question can be derived from the third paragraph. Kindly read the first three sentences of the third paragraph- '*Yet this diversity is not always celebrated. This is because we feel safe and secure with people who look, talk, dress and think like us. Sometimes when we meet people who are very different from us we may find them strange and unfamiliar*'. From above, we can derive the options (a) and (b) as correct reasons for the situation asked in the question. Hence, the option (d) is the correct answer.

**S244. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The answer to the question can be derived from the third paragraph which talks about how people would behave when they meet someone who isn't like them. The information presented in the paragraph doesn't suggests if Akriti would definitely dislike Akash but surely, she may find Akash strange and unfamiliar, and may form certain attitudes and opinions about Akash. So, both the statements (I) and (II) are correct and hence, the option (b) is the correct answer.

**S245. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The answer to the question can be derived from the first two sentences of the last paragraph *'when our opinions about certain people are always negative, then these become prejudices that we carry about them. Prejudice means to judge other people negatively or see them as inferior'*. From these sentences, we can infer that for an opinion about certain people to become a prejudice that is carried about them, the opinion must always be negative.  
Hence, the option (c) is the correct answer.

**S246. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The answer to the question can be derived with the help of the first two sentences of the last paragraph- *Prejudice means to judge other people negatively or see them as inferior*. In the option (a), Father of Suresh judges graduates from other colleges inferior.  
In the option (b), Mother of Aakansha have positive opinions only those bride-grooms who belong to a certain caste and religion.  
In the option (c), Sameek views working women as inferior in character.  
All the options (a), (b) and (c) display examples of 'prejudice' correctly.  
Hence, the option (e) is the correct answer.

**S247. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Diversity [noun] means *'a range of different things'*;  
Sameness [noun] means *'uniformity or monotony; lack of variety'*;  
Variety [noun] means *'the quality or state of being different or diverse; the absence of uniformity or monotony'*;  
Attribute [noun] means *'a quality or feature regarded as a characteristic or inherent part of someone or something'*;  
Secularism [noun] means *'the principle of separation of the state from religious institutions'*;  
Strength [noun] means *'the quality or state of being physically strong'*;  
From above, it could be understood that the word 'variety' has a meaning which is closer to the meaning of 'diversity'.  
Hence, the option (b) is the correct answer.

**S248. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Inferior [noun] means *'lower in rank, status, or quality'*;  
Underling [noun] means *'a person lower in status or rank'*;  
Anger [noun] means *'a strong feeling of annoyance, displeasure, or hostility'*;  
Confidence [noun] means *'the feeling or belief that one can have faith in or rely on someone or something'*;  
Superior [noun] means *'a person superior to another in rank or status, especially a colleague in a higher position'*;  
Trust [noun] means *'firm belief in the reliability, truth, or ability of someone or something'*;

From the above-mentioned meaning, it could be understood that the word 'secondary' has a meaning CLOSER or SIMILAR to the meaning of the word 'inferior'.  
Hence, the option (a) is the correct answer.

**S249. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** Strange [adjective] means *'unusual or surprising; difficult to understand or explain'*;  
High [adjective] means *'of great vertical extent'*;  
Low [adjective] means *'of less than average height from top to bottom or to the top from the ground'*;  
Fast [adjective] means *'moving or capable of moving at high speed'*;  
Slow [adjective] means *'moving or operating, or designed to do so, only at a low speed; not quick or fast'*;  
Common [adjective] means *'occurring, found, or done often; prevalent'*;  
From above, we can understand that the word 'common' has a meaning which is OPPOSITE to the meaning of the word 'strange'.  
Hence, the option (e) is the correct answer.

**S250. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** "Tongue-in-cheek" is an idiom which means Jocular or humorous, though seeming or appearing to be serious. Thus, the sentence means I did not appreciate the clerk's humor comment about annoying customers.

**S251. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** 'Highlight' will be used after 'to' and 'highlighting' is incorrect.

**S252. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** "Committed" is the correct spelling.

**S253. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** All Correct

**S254. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** "adequate" is the correct spelling.

**S255. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** "Citizens" is the correct spelling.

**S256. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling is "horizons"

**S257. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling is "momentous"

**S258. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling is "universe"

**S259. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The correct spelling is "properties"

**S260. Ans.(e)****Sol.** All Correct**S261. Ans.(e)****Sol.** greater**S262. Ans.(b)****Sol.** unhealthy**S263. Ans.(c)****Sol.** generates**S264. Ans.(d)****Sol.** deterioration**S265. Ans.(a)****Sol.** maintained**S266. Ans.(e)****Sol.** distinct**S267. Ans.(c)****Sol.** vital**S268. Ans.(a)****Sol.** strength**S269. Ans.(d)****Sol.** realised**S270. Ans.(b)****Sol.** imitating**S271. Ans (b)****Sol.** The rearrangement needed to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct is CADB.

Thus, the sentence will be "Sri Lanka urgently needs a new President and a government in place to address the worsening economic crisis that has disrupted supply of essentials, including fuel, food and medicines."

**S272. Ans (e)****Sol.** The sentence is already in correct order, hence no rearrangement is needed**S273. Ans (a)****Sol.** The rearrangement needed to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct is BDCA.

Thus, the sentence will be "There have been enough numbers from the ground to indicate that India with a female population of approximately 66 crore, has faltered on the road to gender parity."

**S274. Ans (c)****Sol.** The rearrangement needed to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct is ADCB.

Thus, the sentence will be, "Hopkins creates the personification of evil and a character that defines what man is capable of doing to man."

**S275. Ans (b)****Sol.** The rearrangement needed to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct is BCAD.

Thus, the sentence will be, "efforts to improve nuclear arsenals and to make nuclear weapons more useable in warfare will jeopardize the test ban and non-proliferation regimes".

**S276. Ans.(b)****Sol.** Going through the given sentence, (A) cannot be the first part of the sentence in the rearrangement because it is talking about the solution of a problem which has not been specified yet. Part (C) could be the solution of the problem discussed in the part (A), so (A) will be followed by (C). Part (D) is explaining the problem which is being discussed in the sentence and the remaining part, i.e. (B) will be the first sentence in the arrangement. So, the correct rearrangement would be **BDAC**. Hence, the correct answer choice would be option (b)**S277. Ans.(d)****Sol.** Going through the given sentence, we can get an idea that the given sentence is talking about the effect of reducing the interest on rate on India's effective exchange rate. So, the first part in the arrangement would be part (C) followed by (A) which would be then followed by part (D) and then (C) which are showing the effect of the action taken. Hence, the correct arrangement would be **CADB**. Hence, the correct answer choice would be option (d)**S278. Ans.(b)****Sol.** Going through the given sentence it can be seen that the given sentence is talking about the decision of J&K government. So, the first part of the sentence will be part (B) which will then be followed by part (D) which is telling us about the decision taken. This then will be followed by part (A) which is telling about the timing of the decision and next would be part (C) which is adding details about the cause of the decision. So, the correct arrangement would be **BDAC**. Hence, the correct answer choice would be option (b).**S279. Ans.(a)****Sol.** Reading the given sentence, it can be clearly seen that from the given parts only (A) will make the starter of the given sentence. Also, (D) will be followed by (A) as can be seen from the use of the word 'new website', the remaining parts (C) and (B) will be last in the arrangement to make a contextually meaningful sentence. So, the correct arrangement would be **ADCB**. Hence, the correct answer choice would be option (a)

**S280. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** From the given sentences, it can be clearly seen that the starter of the sentence will be part (C). The next part in the arrangement would be part (D) which is adding details to the decision of the RBI. The next part in the arrangement will be (A) followed by (B) so as to make a contextually meaningful sentence. The arrangement so formed is **CDAB**. Hence, the correct answer choice would be option (a)

**S281. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The phrasal verb "**bank on**" means "**to base your hopes on something / someone**". Thus, the most appropriate meaning among the given options is "**rely**" which means "**depend on with full trust or confidence**". Hence option (b) is the correct choice.

**S282. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** The phrasal verb "**fell through**" means "**to fail; doesn't happen**". Thus, the most appropriate meaning among the given options is "**fail**". Hence option (d) is the correct choice.

**Ascend** means rise or move up through the air.

**S283. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The phrasal verb "**iron out**" means to remove problems or find solutions, or to resolve by discussion, eliminate differences. Thus, among the given options, the most appropriate meaning is "**resolve**". Hence option (a) is the correct choice.

**S284. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The phrasal verb "**get on with**" means **to start or continue doing something, especially work**. Thus, among the given options, the most appropriate meaning is "**persist**" which means "**continue to exist; be prolonged**". Hence option (c) is the correct choice.

**Retrogress** means go back to an earlier state, typically a worse one.

**S285. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The phrasal verb "**keep up with**" means "**to continue to be informed about something**", or "**move or progress at the same rate as someone or something else**". Thus, among the given options, the most appropriate meaning is "**parallel**". Hence option (e) is the correct choice.

**Deadlock** means a situation, typically one involving opposing parties, in which no progress can be made.

**S286. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** 'get around' means to release or to avoid something unpleasant or laborious.

**S287. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** 'get back at' means take revenge on.

**S288. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** 'give out' means to stop working.

**S289. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** 'put back' means to delay it or arrange for it to happen later than you previously planned.

**S290. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** 'think through' means to carefully consider the possible results of doing something.

**S291. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** a - "Warshaw just did not have enough time to program the game properly."

b - "Atari decided to skip testing due to time limitations."

c - "Unfortunately, Atari overestimated how many they would sell. They made 5 million copies and they only sold 1.5 million."

**S292. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** option (e) is the right answer choice, All (i), (ii), and (iii) statements are correct as per the given passage. Referring to the last paragraph, "Atari lost over \$100 million on E.T. The video game industry soon fell into a deep depression." (ii) and (iii) are correct. Referring to the second last paragraph of the passage, "Perhaps a million or more copies of E.T. were buried in the desert." (i) is correct. Hence, all (a), (b) and (c) are correct, i.e, option (e)

**S293. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Refer to the 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph of the passage, "The graphics were bad. Game play was awkward. Players got stuck in holes that they couldn't escape. A short time limit made the game difficult to explore and frustrating to play."

**S294. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Refer to the 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph of the passage, "Atari decided to skip testing due to time limitations. They wanted the game released during the holiday season."

**S295. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Refer to the 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph of the passage, "Some people who stuck with the game grew to like it,"

**S296. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Refer to the 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph of the passage, "Unfortunately, Atari overestimated how many they would sell. They made 5 million copies and they only sold 1.5 million it wasn't the mainstream success that Atari had hoped it would be."

**S297. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Refer to the first paragraph of the passage, "It was based on a very popular film of the same name. It cost over 125 million dollars to make. Star programmer Howard Scott Warshaw created it with consultation from Steven Spielberg."

**S298. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Scavenging means to search for and collect (anything usable) from discarded waste hence blight is the word most opposite in meaning.

**S299. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Massive means large and heavy or solid hence derisory is the word most opposite in meaning.

**S300. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Prior means existing or coming before in time, order, or importance hence anterior is the word most similar in meaning.

