

IBPS PO Mains 2025 Memory Based English - 12 October 2025

Q41. In the given question five sentences are given in which one is not coherent with others. Choose the incoherent statement as your answer.

- (a) As cities expand into previously undeveloped land, the natural habitats of many animal species are rapidly disappearing.
- (b) Noise pollution from traffic and construction disrupts the mating calls and migration patterns of birds.
- (c) Urban planning initiatives now often include green corridors to help animals safely traverse city environments.
- (d) The popularity of minimalist architecture has increased significantly in urban apartment design.
- (e) Some species, like raccoons and pigeons, have adapted to urban environments and even thrive in densely populated areas.

Q42. In the given question five sentences are given in which one is not coherent with others. Choose the incoherent statement as your answer.

- (a) Eating fruits and vegetables provides your body with essential vitamins and minerals.
- (b) The heart pumps blood through arteries and veins to all parts of the body.
- (c) Whole grains are a good source of fiber and help with digestion.
- (d) Drinking water instead of sugary drinks can help prevent weight gain.
- (e) Too much processed food can increase the risk of health problems like diabetes.

Q43. A paragraph is given below, followed by five alternatives. Select the one that most accurately conveys the same idea and context as the original.

An empty plate is more than a sign of hunger. It reflects inequality, waste, and the failure to make food security a collective priority.

- (a) The image of an empty plate embodies not only human deprivation but the collective moral failure of societies that tolerate hunger amid abundance and structural inefficiency.
- (b) The sight of an empty plate simply mirrors individual hardship and bears no connection to wider issues of inequality, policy negligence, or moral accountability.
- (c) The notion of an empty plate has lost significance as improved welfare policies and efficient food systems have largely eliminated hunger and malnutrition nationwide.
- (d) The symbol of an empty plate now represents personal dietary choice rather than any social or administrative neglect related to food security and equitable distribution.
- (e) The meaning of an empty plate has changed with time, signifying temporary scarcity rather than enduring inequality or the state's indifference toward systemic hunger.

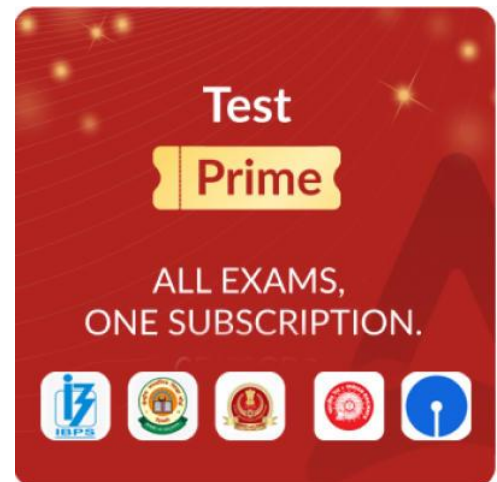
Q44. A paragraph is given below, followed by five alternatives. Select the one that most accurately conveys the same idea and context as the original.

Recent studies reveal that exposure to microscopic air pollutants does not merely affect the lungs. These tiny particles penetrate the bloodstream, elevating the risk of heart attacks and strokes.

- (a) Recent evidence suggests that airborne particles strengthen immunity and reduce the overall incidence of heart-related diseases among urban residents.
- (b) Microscopic particles remain confined to the respiratory tract, causing only mild and temporary irritation without any long-term cardiac consequences.
- (c) Air pollution primarily damages the nervous system, with negligible impact on vascular or coronary functioning in the general population.
- (d) Fine particulate pollutants enter the circulatory system and contribute significantly to cardiovascular complications, proving that air quality is directly linked to heart health.
- (e) Particulate matter affects only outdoor workers, leaving the cardiovascular health of indoor populations largely unharmed by polluted air.

Q45. Rearrange the following sentences to form a meaningful paragraph.

- (A) It helps in storing water for future use.
 (B) Rainwater harvesting is a simple conservation method.
 (C) This collected water can be used for daily needs.
 (D) This method is especially useful in drought-prone areas.
 (a) BACD
 (b) DABC
 (c) ABDC
 (d) CBDA
 (e) No rearrangement required



Directions (46-55): Read the following passage and answer the given questions.

For most Africans, air travel remains a fairytown fantasy—enchanting in theory, but **unreachable** in practice. Despite the continent's growing population of over 1.4 billion, less than 2% of Africans fly regularly. A mix of protectionist policies, poor infrastructure, and high costs has made air travel a luxury enjoyed by only the elite few.

Intra-African flights are among the most expensive globally. A round-trip ticket between Lagos and Nairobi—two key African cities—can exceed \$2000, often more than the cost of flying to Europe. This exorbitant pricing **begets** from excessive fuel surcharges, airport taxes, and a chronic lack of competition. Many African governments have long banned foreign airlines from operating domestic or inter-country routes. While intended to protect national carriers, this **fortress mentality** has produced the opposite effect: weak airlines, limited **connectivity**, and high fares.

This inward-looking approach has had bizarre consequences. It is not uncommon for African passengers to transit through Paris, Istanbul, or Dubai just to reach a neighboring country. The system is illogical and inefficient. While the Yamoussoukro Decision (1999) and its successor, the Single African Air Transport Market (SAATM), aimed to reform the sector, implementation has been sluggish. Only a handful of countries have put these liberalization policies into action.

The lack of reform causes stagnation. Without open skies, real competition cannot emerge. Without competition, prices remain high. And without affordable air travel, continental trade and integration suffer. In contrast, **facilitates** not only the movement of people but the flow of goods, ideas, and economic growth.

African aviation never truly **got off the ground**. To change this, leaders must prioritize regional cooperation, deregulation, and accessibility over isolation and control. Unless bold reforms are enacted, African skies will remain grounded in fantasy—a fairytown spectacle that benefits the few while excluding the many.

Q46. What best expresses the author's opinion about African aviation?

- (a) African nations should continue protecting national carriers through restrictive policies.
 (b) The aviation sector should focus only on domestic connectivity.
 (c) African leaders must embrace open skies and deregulation for real progress.
 (d) The aviation industry in Africa is thriving and affordable for most citizens.
 (e) The best way to improve aviation is to ban all foreign involvement.

Q47. Which of the following words highlighted in the passage is contextually incorrect?

- (a) facilitates
 (b) begets
 (c) connectivity
 (d) unreachable
 (e) All are correct

Q48. Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?

- (A) A return flight between Lagos and Nairobi usually costs less than \$500.
- (B) Intra-African flights are often cheaper than flights to Europe.
- (C) A round-trip ticket between two African cities can exceed \$2000.
- (a) Only A
- (b) Both B and C
- (c) Only B
- (d) Only C
- (e) All A, B, C

Q49. What does the phrase “got off the ground” mean?

- (a) To gain attention before quickly fading away
- (b) To fail to launch due to lack of resources
- (c) To achieve long-term success after a temporary failure
- (d) To remain stuck at the planning stage indefinitely
- (e) To begin or launch successfully after preparation

Q50. Which of the following statements is/are CORRECT according to the passage?

- (I) The Yamoussoukro Decision was intended to open African airspace.
- (II) SAATM has been implemented successfully across all African nations.
- (III) Intra-African connectivity remains limited due to high costs.
- (a) Only (I)
- (b) Both (I) and (III)
- (c) Only (II)
- (d) All (I), (II), and (III)
- (e) Both (II) and (III)

Q51. Which of the following is the most likely reason for the phrase “fairytown fantasy” to describe African aviation?

- (a) African aviation is filled with fictional airline branding and marketing.
- (b) The aviation industry in Africa is controlled entirely by foreign companies.
- (c) Most African airports operate only luxury flights for tourists.
- (d) African countries refuse to participate in any form of regional aviation pacts.
- (e) Air travel seems glamorous and promising but is inaccessible for most.

Q52. What does the author mean by “fortress mentality”?

- (a) A collaborative mindset where African nations build protective trade alliances
- (b) An isolationist policy stance where countries protect their markets by avoiding external competition
- (c) A financial model focused on fortifying airport infrastructure through regional investments
- (d) A regulatory framework designed to expand African aviation into foreign markets
- (e) A defensive strategy used by airlines to prevent cyberattacks and data breaches

Q53. Based on the passage, which of the following best describes the relationship between competition and affordability in African aviation?

- (a) Increased competition has led to unfair pricing and overcapacity.
- (b) Competition is unrelated to ticket pricing in African aviation.
- (c) A lack of competition keeps prices artificially low to protect consumers.
- (d) Limited competition contributes to higher fares and poor connectivity.
- (e) Foreign competition would reduce airline quality and safety.

Q54. Which of the following statement(s) is/are true?

- (I) Fewer than 2% of Africans travel by air regularly.
 - (II) Flights between African cities are often cheaper than flights to Europe.
 - (III) Some African travelers must transit through non-African cities to reach nearby countries.
- (a) Only (I)
 - (b) Both (I) and (III)
 - (c) Only (II)
 - (d) All (I), (II), and (III)
 - (e) None of the above

Q55. According to the passage, what is the primary consequence of restricting foreign airlines from operating intra-African routes?

- (a) It improves safety and increases national employment in aviation.
- (b) It fosters rapid development of domestic infrastructure.
- (c) It encourages more domestic passengers to fly at affordable rates.
- (d) It weakens competition, increases prices, and limits connectivity.
- (e) It helps national carriers establish global partnerships.

Directions (56-60): Choose the most appropriate replacement for each highlighted phrase in the passage so that the paragraph becomes both contextually suitable and grammatically correct.

Artificial intelligence has transformed how students learn **by expanding course catalogs online (A)**, reliable help at their fingertips. With AI chat assistants and course platforms, **clarities long resolved (B)** for the next class are resolved in minutes. Explanations, examples, and step-by-step solutions arrive on demand, so learners are no longer dependent on classroom lectures to keep moving forward. This immediacy reduces anxiety, sustains momentum, and turns confusion into curiosity.

AI also personalizes study. Adaptive systems diagnose weak areas, recommend targeted practice, and adjust difficulty in real time. Vocabulary drills, grammar checks, and writing feedback become continuous, specific, and data-driven. **In the traditional classroom (C)**, AI creates timed quizzes, analyses mistakes, and suggests revision plans aligned to the syllabus. Visual summaries, flashcards, and audio notes **capture transforming information (D)** and busy schedules.

Beyond speed and personalization, AI expands access. Students in remote areas can consult high-quality tutors anytime; translations and text-to-speech remove language and reading barriers. Collaboration tools help peers co-create notes and track progress transparently.

Of course, smart use matters. **Therefore, every app dictates, (E)** compare multiple explanations, and practice solving without prompts. Used thoughtfully, AI becomes a study partner that accelerates understanding, builds confidence, and gives every learner the freedom to learn—anytime, anywhere. every day.

Q56. Which of the following should replace the highlighted phrase (A)?

- (a) with round-the-clock tools in use
- (b) by putting instant
- (c) in the new digital climate
- (d) No replacement required
- (e) alongside evolving classroom policies

Q57. Which of the following should replace the highlighted phrase (B)?

- (a) schedules that used to slip
- (b) messages that often delayed replies
- (c) doubts that once waited
- (d) forms that remained pending
- (e) No replacement required

Q58. Which of the following should replace the highlighted phrase (C)?

- (a) For exam preparation
- (b) No replacement required
- (c) During leisure entertainment
- (d) At the end of vacations
- (e) Beyond the scope of tests

Q59. Which of the following should replace the highlighted phrase (D)?

- (a) remain central to the classroom lecture delivery
- (b) No replacement required
- (c) hold perfect retention forever
- (d) generate teacher guidance entirely
- (e) support different learning styles

Q60. Which of the following should replace the highlighted phrase (E)?

- (a) Learners must depend on hints,
- (b) One should copy model answers,
- (c) Teachers will complete all tasks,
- (d) Students should verify sources,
- (e) No replacement required

Q61. In the question below, few sentences have been given. Find out which of the following sentence is incorrect.

- (A) The regulator issued clarifications that were awaited by lenders across multiple product categories for months.
 - (B) He suggested that the fees is waived to accommodate unexpected documentation errors in certain applications.
 - (C) Between you and me, the mock results reflect careless reading rather than difficult passages overall.
 - (D) Despite the rain warnings, attendance remained strong and proctors reported smooth conduct overall across centres.
- (a) Only (B)
 - (b) Both (B) and (D)
 - (c) Only (A)
 - (d) Both (B) and (C)
 - (e) (A), (B), and (D)

Q62. In the question below, few sentences have been given. Find out which of the following sentence is incorrect.

- (A) Walking through the archive, the labels guided researchers toward previously misfiled securities disclosures yesterday effectively.
 - (B) The compliance team reviewed contracts, verified calculations, and logged deviations within the centralized tracker yesterday.
 - (C) She appears to have forgotten to submit reimbursement proofs before accounts closed yesterday for reconciliation.
 - (D) No sooner had the briefing ended then questions erupted regarding vendor eligibility criteria for onboarding.
- (a) Only (D)
 - (b) Both (A) and (D)
 - (c) Only (C)
 - (d) Both (B) and (C)
 - (e) (A), (B), and (D)

Q63. In the question below, few sentences have been given. Find out which of the following sentence is incorrect.

- (A) The chair recommended that the minutes be circulated before voting on the amended resolution today.
 (B) The applicants complied with documentary requirements specified in paragraph six of the guidance for onboarding.
 (C) Our procedures differ than the regulator's notices because internal risk thresholds are updated quarterly internally.
 (D) Investigators found that several controls had failed before the alerting system was finally recalibrated internally.
 (a) Only (B)
 (b) Both (B) and (D)
 (c) Only (C)
 (d) Both (B) and (C)
 (e) (A), (B), and (D)

Q64. In the question below, few sentences have been given. Find out which of the following sentence is incorrect.

- (A) He is one of those reviewers who insist on primary evidence before approving reimbursement claims.
 (B) The manager, who was instructed to expedite the process, submitted the forms yesterday without delay.
 (C) Twenty percent of the application are incomplete, according to the latest verification dashboard this morning.
 (D) Had the documents been uploaded earlier, the refund would have processed without additional correspondence today.
 (a) Only (D)
 (b) Both (B) and (C)
 (c) Only (A)
 (d) Both (C) and (D)
 (e) (A), (B), and (D)

Q65. In the question below, two columns of phrases are provided—Column I and Column II. Choose the pair that, when joined with the given connector, forms a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence.

Column I	Column II
A. The hall fell silent,	D. ___ she would wake up before sunrise.
B. The instructions were printed clearly,	E. ___ even the last row could read them.
C. Ravi revised the rules again,	F. ___ everyone could hear the speaker without strain.

- (a) B-F (so)
 (b) C-E (therefore)
 (c) A-F (so that)
 (d) B-D (within); A-F (for)
 (e) B-E (but)

Q66. In the question below, two columns of phrases are provided—Column I and Column II. Choose the pair that, when joined with the given connector, forms a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence.

Column I	Column II
A. The bell rang twice,	D. ___ the test would begin in five minutes.
B. Neha carried a spare pen,	E. ___ visitors could read it before entering.
C. The notice was posted at the entrance,	F. ___ her pen stopped working midway.

- (a) A-D (in which)
 (b) C-E (so that); B-F (in case)
 (c) A-F (as a result)
 (d) B-D (hence); A-F (for)
 (e) B-E (lest)

Q67. In Column I, the highlighted parts may be grammatically incorrect. Column II lists possible replacements. Choose the option that gives the correct combination so that the sentences become grammatically correct.

Column I	Column II
A. Neither the rate nor the fees was discussed in detail.	D. is little
B. There is few evidence to support the revised projection.	E. were discussed
C. Unless the fields are complete , the system will not proceed.	F. are not complete

- (a) A- no replacement required
 (b) A-E
 (c) A-E ; B-D
 (d) B-D
 (e) C-F

Q68. In Column I, the highlighted parts may be grammatically incorrect. Column II lists possible replacements. Choose the option that gives the correct combination so that the sentences become grammatically correct.

Column I	Column II
A. She often spend without checking the balance.	D. rarely spends
B. She not only did submit the claim, she also attached receipts.	E. The token had been
C. Had the token been issued earlier, the queue would have moved faster.	F. Not only did she

- (a) A-D
 (b) B-F; A-D
 (c) A-E; B-D
 (d) B-D
 (e) C- No replacement required

Q69. In the following question, a paragraph is given with few blanks. Choose the word from the given options that will fill all the blanks and make the paragraph grammatically correct and contextually meaningful.

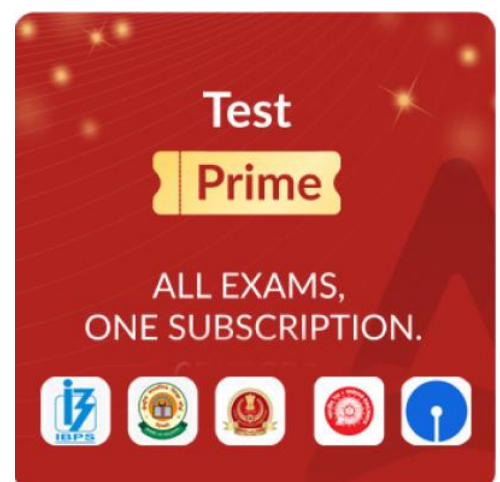
_____ the bell rang, the committee came to order and asked Riya to _____ the proceedings. What looked like a _____ discrepancy in the figures soon turned serious, and the chair granted only a _____ for each member to speak.

- (a) record
 (b) tiny
 (c) time
 (d) minute
 (e) hour

Q70. In the following question, a paragraph is given with few blanks. Choose the word from the given options that will fill all the blanks and make the paragraph grammatically correct and contextually meaningful.

At daybreak, the _____ was soft across the courtyard, and the usher asked us to _____ the candles; with _____ luggage we climbed the stairs, and the walls, painted a _____ blue, calmed the room.

- (a) light
 (b) hope
 (c) heavy
 (d) sight
 (e) mist



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Q71. In the following question, a paragraph is given with few blanks. Choose the word from the given options that will fill all the blanks and make the paragraph grammatically correct and contextually meaningful.

At the quarterly review, the operations head proposed to _____ the warehouses with fast-moving items before the festive rush; the audit flagged expired _____ lying unsold; the service lead warned against giving _____ replies to complaints; and the surge in the company's _____ cheered employees.

- (a) stock
- (b) supply
- (c) standard
- (d) share
- (e) stuff

Q72. In the following question, a paragraph is given with few blanks. Choose the word from the given options that will fill all the blanks and make the paragraph grammatically correct and contextually meaningful.

During the annual meet, the secretary was asked to _____ every decision accurately; finance reported a _____ profit on the new line; HR checked the attendance _____ before releasing bonuses; and legal cautioned that any breach would stay on an employee's _____.

- (a) count
- (b) file
- (c) register
- (d) log
- (e) record

Directions (73-75): Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below them.

Video games have evolved into a multifaceted medium that offers both recreation and intellectual stimulation for students. When used judiciously, they can yield numerous cognitive and pedagogical benefits. Educational and strategy-based games enhance critical thinking, problem-solving aptitude, and spatial awareness, while also fostering collaborative and communicative skills through multiplayer formats. Furthermore, gaming can serve as a therapeutic escape, helping students alleviate stress and rejuvenate their minds after intense academic exertion. Studies even suggest that certain action-oriented games bolster reflexes, hand-eye coordination, and attentional focus, contributing to both mental agility and adaptive learning.

Despite these advantages, excessive indulgence in video games can have detrimental repercussions. Prolonged exposure often leads to addictive tendencies, causing students to neglect academic responsibilities and social interactions. Extended screen time may trigger visual fatigue, musculoskeletal strain, and disrupted circadian rhythms. Moreover, recurrent engagement with violent or aggressive content can desensitize young minds, fostering irritability and diminishing empathic sensitivity. Academic performance may deteriorate as students become engrossed in virtual worlds, and their overreliance on digital engagement can precipitate social alienation and emotional stagnation.

In essence, video games represent a powerful yet ambivalent influence—capable of enriching the intellect when approached with moderation but equally capable of impairing growth when pursued obsessively. The key lies in equilibrium and discernment, ensuring that gaming remains a source of enrichment rather than erosion.

Q73. Which of the following can most reasonably be inferred from the passage about students who engage in video gaming?

- (a) Their physical well-being generally improves with extended hours of immersive gameplay.
- (b) Their capacity for empathy and interpersonal understanding tends to strengthen with exposure to violent game content.
- (c) Their ability to manage time effectively is largely unaffected by prolonged engagement in digital environments.
- (d) Their academic motivation remains stable even when gaming becomes excessive and repetitive.
- (e) Their cognitive growth may be positively influenced when gameplay is balanced with academic and social activities.

Q74. Which of the following inferences can most plausibly be drawn from the passage concerning the adverse ramifications of excessive video-gaming behavior among students?

- (I) Prolonged immersion in virtual domains may engender affective desensitization and a diminution of empathic responsiveness.
- (II) Sustained exposure to screens is liable to induce physiological strain, including ocular exhaustion and postural discomfort.
- (III) Individuals who devote inordinate time to gaming typically offset scholastic disengagement through heightened interpersonal participation.
- (a) Only (I)
- (b) Only (II)
- (c) Both (I) and (II)
- (d) Both (II) and (III)
- (e) All (I), (II), and (III)

Q75. According to the passage, all of the following are identified as *constructive outcomes* of video gaming when practiced in moderation EXCEPT:

- (a) The augmentation of analytical acuity and visuospatial intelligence through cognitively demanding gameplay.
- (b) The reinforcement of cooperative aptitude and interpersonal articulation fostered by collaborative gaming formats.
- (c) The refinement of psychomotor responsiveness and sustained attentional control through dynamic, action-based interaction.
- (d) The amplification of empathic receptivity and affective discernment resulting from recurrent exposure to violent digital scenarios.
- (e) The mitigation of psychological strain and restoration of cognitive vitality following rigorous academic endeavor.

Solutions

S41. Ans.(d)

Sol. Theme: Impact of urbanization on wildlife and ecological responses.

Why:

- (a) Coherent. Urban sprawl causes habitat loss—direct effect of cities on animal life.
- (b) Coherent. Noise from traffic/construction alters bird behavior—specific urban stressor on wildlife.
- (c) Coherent. Green corridors are a mitigation strategy within urban planning to aid animal movement.
- (d) Incoherent. Minimalist apartment design is an interior/architectural trend and does not address wildlife or ecological impact.
- (e) Coherent. Urban-adapted species (e.g., raccoons, pigeons) exemplify how some animals thrive in city ecosystems.

S42. Ans.(b)

Sol. Theme: Healthy eating and nutrition choices and their health effects.

Why:

- (a) Coherent. Fruits and vegetables supply key vitamins and minerals—directly about diet.
- (b) Incoherent. Describes blood circulation; it's human physiology, not nutrition.
- (c) Coherent. Whole grains and fiber relate to digestion—diet-focused.
- (d) Coherent. Replacing sugary drinks with water is a dietary choice affecting weight.
- (e) Coherent. Processed food and risks like diabetes—health impacts of diet.

S43. Ans.(a)

Sol. The correct answer is **(a)**.

Explanation:

The original sentence:

“An empty plate is more than a sign of hunger. It reflects inequality, waste, and the failure to make food security a collective priority.”

emphasizes that an **empty plate symbolizes deeper social issues** — inequality, waste, and a shared failure of responsibility, not just hunger.

Option (a):

“The image of an empty plate embodies not only human deprivation but the collective moral failure of societies that tolerate hunger amid abundance and structural inefficiency.”

This perfectly mirrors the tone and meaning:

- “Human deprivation” = hunger
- “Collective moral failure” = failure to prioritize food security
- “Amid abundance and structural inefficiency” = inequality and waste

It captures the **moral and systemic dimensions** implied in the original.

Why others are incorrect:

- **(b)** reduces it to *individual hardship*, ignoring the collective and systemic dimensions — opposite meaning.
- **(c)** implies hunger and inequality have been largely *eliminated*, contradicting the original message.
- **(d)** reframes it as *personal choice*, which distorts the moral-social message.
- **(e)** suggests the symbol now means *temporary scarcity*, downplaying systemic inequality.

Answer: (a)

S44. Ans.(d)

Sol. The correct answer is **(d)**.

Explanation:

The original sentence states:

“Recent studies reveal that exposure to microscopic air pollutants does not merely affect the lungs. These tiny particles penetrate the bloodstream, elevating the risk of heart attacks and strokes.”

This means:

- **Microscopic air pollutants** (fine particulate matter)
- **Enter the bloodstream** (not confined to lungs)
- **Increase risk of cardiovascular diseases** such as *heart attacks and strokes*

Option (d):

“Fine particulate pollutants enter the circulatory system and contribute significantly to cardiovascular complications, proving that air quality is directly linked to heart health.”

This option **accurately restates** all the main ideas:

- Mentions **fine particulate pollutants** (microscopic air pollutants)
- Notes **entry into the circulatory system** (penetrate the bloodstream)
- Describes **cardiovascular complications** (heart attacks and strokes)
- Establishes a **direct link** between air quality and heart health

Hence, it conveys the same idea and context.

Why others are incorrect:

- **(a)** Reverses the meaning — claims pollutants *strengthen immunity* and *reduce disease* → opposite of original.
- **(b)** Says particles stay in the respiratory tract with *no long-term effects* → contradicts “penetrate the bloodstream.”
- **(c)** Focuses on the *nervous system* rather than cardiovascular → irrelevant.
- **(e)** Restricts impact to *outdoor workers only* → incorrect generalization.

Answer: (d)

S45. Ans.(a)

Sol. Final paragraph (BACD):

Rainwater harvesting is a simple conservation method. It helps in storing water for future use. This collected water can be used for daily needs. This method is especially useful in drought-prone areas.

Why BACD works:

- B introduces the topic.
- A follows naturally: "It" refers to rainwater harvesting and states the key benefit (storage).
- C specifies an immediate application of the stored/collected water (daily needs).
- D closes with the situational significance (drought-prone areas), giving the paragraph purpose and scope.

S46. Ans.(c)

Sol. Explanation of options:

- (a) Incorrect. The passage criticizes protectionism and "fortress mentality" for causing weak airlines, limited connectivity, and high fares.
- (b) Incorrect. The author argues for regional cooperation and open skies across countries, not a narrow domestic focus.
- (c) Correct. The conclusion urges "regional cooperation, deregulation, and accessibility," i.e., liberalization/open skies for real progress.
- (d) Incorrect. The text calls air travel a "luxury" for a few, with fares among the most expensive globally—so it is not affordable or thriving.
- (e) Incorrect. The author does not call for banning foreign involvement; they want competition and liberalization, the opposite of exclusion.

S47. Ans.(b)

Sol. Correct answer: (b) begets

Why:

- (a) facilitates — Correct in meaning ("makes easier/helps"). The sentence is awkward due to a missing subject, but the word itself is context-appropriate.
- (b) begets — Incorrect in this context. "Beget" means "to cause/give rise to" and takes a direct object (A begets B). The passage says "pricing begets from..." which is ungrammatical. It should be "pricing stems from/arises from/is caused by."
- (c) connectivity — Correct usage referring to route links and network access in aviation.
- (d) unreachable — Correct usage meaning not attainable for most Africans.
- (e) All are correct — Incorrect because (b) is not.

S48. Ans.(d)

Sol. Option analysis:

- (A) False. The passage states Lagos–Nairobi can exceed \$2000, not less than \$500.
- (B) False. It says intra-African flights are often more expensive than flying to Europe.
- (C) True. The passage explicitly mentions a round-trip between Lagos and Nairobi can exceed \$2000.

S49. Ans.(e)

Sol. Correct answer: (e) To begin or launch successfully after preparation

Option analysis:

- (a) Incorrect. That describes a brief hype cycle, not the idiom's meaning.
- (b) Incorrect. "Fail to launch" is the opposite of "get off the ground."
- (c) Incorrect. This suggests eventual success after failure; the idiom is about the initial successful start.
- (d) Incorrect. Remaining stuck in planning contradicts "getting off the ground."
- (e) Correct. "Got off the ground" means the project/initiative started and began operating successfully.

S50. Ans.(b)

Sol. Correct answer: (b) Both (I) and (III)

Option-by-option:

- (I) Correct. The Yamoussoukro Decision (1999) aimed to liberalize/open African airspace to foster competition—exactly what the passage notes.
- (II) Incorrect. The passage says implementation of SAATM has been sluggish and only a handful of countries have acted, not “successfully across all nations.”
- (III) Correct. The passage states that limited competition keeps prices high, resulting in weak connectivity within Africa.

S51. Ans.(e)

Sol. Correct answer: (e)

Why:

- (e) Matches the passage’s idea: air travel appears alluring but remains out of reach for most Africans (“fairytown fantasy... unreachable in practice”).
- (a) Incorrect. No mention of fictional branding/marketing.
- (b) Incorrect. The problem cited is protectionism and weak competition, not total foreign control.
- (c) Incorrect. Airports are not said to operate only luxury tourist flights.
- (d) Incorrect. Countries signed the Yamoussoukro Decision/SAATM; the issue is slow implementation, not refusal.

S52. Ans.(b)

Sol.

Correct answer: (b)

Option analysis:

- (a) Incorrect. “Collaborative” and “alliances” contradict the passage’s criticism. The text attacks protectionism, not cooperation.
- (b) Correct. “Fortress mentality” refers to isolationist, protectionist policies that shield national carriers from outside competition, leading to weak airlines, poor connectivity, and high fares.
- (c) Incorrect. The phrase is about market isolation, not investing in infrastructure.
- (d) Incorrect. Expanding into foreign markets is outward-looking; the passage describes inward-looking protectionism.
- (e) Incorrect. Cybersecurity is unrelated to the context of market access and competition.

S53. Ans.(d)

Sol. Option analysis:

- (a) Incorrect. The passage argues the opposite: competition is lacking, and that absence keeps prices high; it does not mention overcapacity or unfair pricing caused by too much competition.
- (b) Incorrect. Pricing is directly linked to competition; without open skies and real competition, fares remain high.
- (c) Incorrect. There is no claim that low competition keeps prices low; in fact, prices are high due to limited competition.
- (d) Correct. The text states that protectionism limits competition, which in turn sustains high fares and weak connectivity.
- (e) Incorrect. The passage never claims that foreign competition would reduce quality or safety; it advocates liberalization to improve outcomes.

S54. Ans.(b)

Sol. Statement check:

- (I) True. The passage says fewer than 2% of Africans fly regularly.
- (II) False. It states intra-African flights are among the most expensive and can cost more than flying to Europe.
- (III) True. The passage notes travelers often transit through cities like Paris, Istanbul, or Dubai to reach neighboring African countries.

S55. Ans.(d)

Sol. Option analysis:

- (a) Incorrect. The passage does not link protectionism to better safety or higher aviation employment; instead, it critiques the outcomes as negative for the market.
- (b) Incorrect. There is no claim that restricting foreign airlines accelerates infrastructure development.
- (c) Incorrect. The text shows the opposite: with fewer competitors, fares stay high and demand remains suppressed.
- (d) Correct. The passage states that bans meant to protect national carriers resulted in weak airlines, limited connectivity, and high fares due to reduced competition.
- (e) Incorrect. Protectionism hinders, rather than helps, broader partnerships; the passage argues for liberalization and regional cooperation, not isolation.

S56. Ans.(b)

Sol. Correct answer: (b) by putting instant

Why:

- The sentence needs two parallel “by + -ing” actions: “by expanding course catalogs online” and “by putting instant, reliable help at their fingertips.”
- (a) “with round-the-clock tools in use” breaks parallelism and sounds clunky.
- (c) “in the new digital climate” is a setting, not an action parallel to “expanding.”
- (d) No replacement required leaves the sentence incomplete after “online,” lacking a grammatically parallel second action.
- (e) “alongside evolving classroom policies” is unrelated to the immediate action and disrupts meaning.

S57. Ans.(c)

Sol. Correct answer: (c) doubts that once waited

Why:

- The intended meaning is that learners’ doubts, which earlier had to wait until the next class, can now be cleared quickly with AI. “Doubts that once waited for the next class are resolved in minutes” is natural and precise.
- (a) schedules that used to slip — Irrelevant to clearing queries.
- (b) messages that often delayed replies — Awkward and off-focus; the subject is learners’ doubts, not messaging delays.
- (d) forms that remained pending — Administrative, not learning-related.
- (e) No replacement required — The original “clarities long resolved” is unidiomatic and incorrect.

S58. Ans.(a)

Sol. Correct answer: (a) For exam preparation

Why:

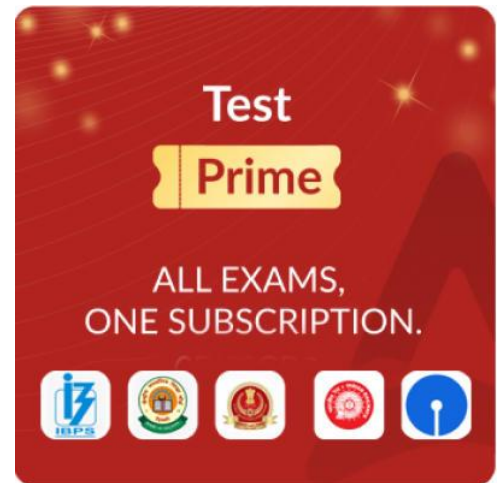
- (a) Fits contextually: timed quizzes, error analysis, and revision plans are exam-prep activities. The fronted phrase sets the scenario smoothly—“For exam preparation, AI creates...”.
- (b) If unchanged, “In the traditional classroom” clashes with the AI-driven, platform-based actions and weakens coherence.
- (c) “During leisure entertainment” is irrelevant to quizzes and syllabus-aligned revision.
- (d) “At the end of vacations” is an arbitrary time marker with no contextual link.
- (e) “Beyond the scope of tests” contradicts the focus on quizzes and syllabus alignment.

S59. Ans.(e)

Sol. Correct answer: (e) support different learning styles

Why:

- The intended idea: “Visual summaries, flashcards, and audio notes ... support different learning styles and busy schedules.” This is idiomatic and matches the examples given (visual, textual, auditory).
- (a) “remain central to the classroom lecture delivery” mismatches the list (these tools aid self-study beyond lectures).
- (b) No replacement required leaves “capture transforming information,” which is ungrammatical and unclear.
- (c) “hold perfect retention forever” is hyperbolic and unnatural.
- (d) “generate teacher guidance entirely” overstates AI’s role and doesn’t fit with the listed study aids.



S60. Ans.(d)

Sol. Correct answer: (d) Students should verify sources

Why:

- (d) Fits the intended guidance: “verify sources, compare multiple explanations, and practice solving without prompts” — a coherent list of responsible-study actions.
- (a) “depend on hints” contradicts “practice without prompts.”
- (b) “copy model answers” promotes misuse and clashes with independent practice.
- (c) “Teachers will complete all tasks” is irrelevant and passive.
- (e) The original is ungrammatical and incomplete; replacement is required.

S61. Ans.(a)

Sol. Correct answer: (a) Only (B)

Why:

- (A) Correct. Grammatically sound and clear.
- (B) Incorrect. Two issues:
 1. Subject-verb: “fees is” should be “fee is” or “fees are.”
 2. Subjunctive/tense after “suggested that”: Prefer “the fee be waived” or “should be waived.”
 3. Acceptable fixes:
 - “He suggested that the fee be waived to accommodate unexpected documentation errors in certain applications.”
 - “He suggested that the fees be waived...” (if plural).
- (C) Correct. “Between you and me” is the right case; agreement and structure are fine.
- (D) Correct. Structure and agreement are fine; phrasing is natural.

S62. Ans.(b)

Sol. Correct answer: (b) Both (A) and (D)

Option-wise analysis:

- (A) Incorrect. Dangling modifier: “Walking through the archive” should modify the researchers, but the grammatical subject is “the labels.” Also, adverb placement is clumsy (“yesterday effectively”). Better: “Walking through the archive, the researchers were guided by the labels toward previously misfiled securities disclosures.”
- (B) Correct. Clear parallelism (“reviewed... verified... logged”) and natural placement of “yesterday.”
- (C) Correct. “appears to have forgotten to submit... before accounts closed yesterday” is grammatical; “reimbursement proofs” is acceptable usage, and “for reconciliation” is a valid purpose phrase.
- (D) Incorrect. The correlative pair is “No sooner... than,” not “then.” Correct: “No sooner had the briefing ended than questions erupted...”

S63. Ans.(c)**Sol.** Correct answer: (c) Only (C)

Why (C) is incorrect:

- Use “differ from,” not “differ than.” Correct: “Our procedures differ from the regulator’s notices because internal risk thresholds are updated quarterly.”
- Also, “internally” is redundant with “internal risk thresholds,” so it can be omitted.

Why the others are acceptable:

- (A) Subjunctive “be circulated” after “recommended” is correct; time marker “today” is fine.
- (B) Structure and prepositions are correct: “complied with” + “requirements specified in paragraph six...”
- (D) Tense sequencing is correct: past perfect (“had failed”) before simple past (“was... recalibrated”). “Internally” is optional but not wrong.

S64. Ans.(d)**Sol.** Correct answer: (d) Both (C) and (D)

Why:

- (C) Error in number agreement: “Twenty percent of the application are...” should be plural noun with plural verb. Correct: “Twenty percent of the applications are incomplete...”
- (D) Wrong verb form and voice: “the refund would have processed” is unidiomatic; use passive perfect conditional. Correct: “Had the documents been uploaded earlier, the refund would have been processed without additional correspondence today.”

Notes on the others:

- (A) Correct: “one of those reviewers who insist...” takes plural “insist” because it refers to “reviewers.”
- (B) Correct: punctuation and tense are fine.

S65. Ans.(c)**Sol.** Correct answer: (c) A–F (so that)

Why:

- A–F: “The hall fell silent, so that everyone could hear the speaker without strain.” Grammatically sound and contextually logical (purpose/result).
- (a) B–F with “so”: “The instructions were printed clearly, so everyone could hear the speaker...” Mismatch of ideas (instructions vs hearing).
- (b) C–E with “therefore”: “Ravi revised the rules again, therefore even the last row could read them.” Awkward causation; revising rules doesn’t affect legibility.
- (d) B–D (within); A–F (for): Not a valid single pairing; also “within/for” don’t fit D or F properly.
- (e) B–E with “but”: “but” shows contrast; here both clauses are positive and should use a result/purpose connector, not contrast.

S66. Ans.(b)**Sol.** Correct answer: (b) C–E (so that); B–F (in case)

Why:

- C–E with “so that”: “The notice was posted at the entrance, so that visitors could read it before entering.” Purpose is expressed correctly.
- B–F with “in case”: “Neha carried a spare pen, in case her pen stopped working midway.” Preventive action fits “in case.”

Why the others don’t work:

- (a) A–D with “in which”: “The bell rang twice, in which the test would begin in five minutes” is ungrammatical; “in which” cannot link these ideas.
- (c) A–F with “as a result” is illogical (bell ringing doesn’t cause a pen to fail).
- (d) B–D with “hence” and A–F with “for” both mispair cause-effect and purpose.
- (e) B–E with “lest” is semantically wrong; “lest” expresses prevention of a negative outcome, not a positive purpose.

S67. Ans.(c)

Sol. A: "Neither the rate nor the fees was discussed..." → With "neither...nor," the verb agrees with the nearer subject. "fees" is plural, so use "were discussed." Hence A-E.

B: "There is few evidence..." → "evidence" is uncountable, so use "little," not "few." "There is little evidence..." is correct. Hence B-D.

C: "Unless the fields are complete, the system will not proceed." → Correct as written. Replacing with F ("are not complete") creates a double negative with "unless" and flips the meaning, so C-F is wrong.

S68. Ans.(b)

- Sol. A → D: "She often spend ..." needs third-person-singular agreement: "spends." Replacing the highlighted part with "spends" fixes the verb; D ("rarely spends") supplies a correct verb form. Note: the adverb changes the meaning (often → rarely), but in such replacement items grammar takes priority over adverbial choice.
- B → F: Place "not only" before the auxiliary with inversion: "Not only did she submit the claim, she also attached receipts." Hence B-F.
- C: "Had the token been issued earlier, the queue would have moved faster." is already correct (inverted third conditional). Replacing with E ("The token had been...") would break the conditional/inversion.

Why others are wrong

- (a) Misses the required inversion in B.
- (c) A-E is ungrammatical in context; B-D mismatches meaning and leaves inversion unresolved.
- (d) B-D maps the wrong fix to B; it still lacks inversion.
- (e) Ignores the necessary correction in B and the verb agreement in A.

S69. Ans.(d)

Sol. Correct answer: (d) minute

How it fits all blanks:

- "the minute the bell rang" = as soon as the bell rang.
- "asked Riya to minute the proceedings" = to record/prepare the minutes.
- "a minute discrepancy" = very small.
- "granted only a minute for each member to speak" = one minute.

Why others don't work:

- (a) record: works for proceedings only; not for the other blanks.
- (b) tiny: works for "discrepancy" but not the others.
- (c) time: awkward in "the time the bell rang" (needs "by the time/at the time") and doesn't fit "to time the proceedings."
- (e) hour: fits only the last blank.

S70. Ans.(a)

Sol. Correct answer: (a) light

How it fits all blanks:

- "the light was soft across the courtyard" — natural collocation.
- "asked us to light the candles" — correct verb usage.
- "with light luggage we climbed the stairs" — means not heavy.
- "painted a light blue" — common color description.

Why others don't work:

- (b) hope — Doesn't collocate with candles/luggage/color.
- (c) heavy — Cannot take "heavy the candles"; "heavy blue" is odd.
- (d) sight — "sight the candles" is incorrect; "sight blue" is wrong.
- (e) mist — "mist the candles" is incorrect; "mist luggage" and "mist blue" are wrong.

S71. Ans.(a)

Sol. Correct answer: (a) stock

Why it fits all blanks:

- “stock the warehouses” = fill with goods.
- “expired stock” = unsold inventory past date.
- “stock replies” = canned/prepared responses.
- “surge in the company’s stock” = share price rising.

Why others don’t work:

- (b) supply: “supply the warehouses” works, but “expired supply,” “supply replies,” and “company’s supply” don’t.
- (c) standard: Doesn’t fit warehouses or inventory; “standard replies” is possible, but the other blanks fail.
- (d) share: “share the warehouses” is wrong; only the last blank would fit.
- (e) stuff: Informal; “expired stuff” and “company’s stuff” are inappropriate.

S72. Ans.(e)

Sol. Correct answer: (e) record

Why (record) fits all blanks:

- “asked to record every decision accurately” — natural verb collocation.
- “reported a record profit” — idiomatic for highest-ever profit.
- “checked the attendance record” — standard phrase for attendance history.
- “would stay on an employee’s record” — common expression for documented history.

Why others don’t fit all:

- (a) count — doesn’t suit profit/attendance/employee history.
- (b) file — “file every decision” is odd; “file profit” is incorrect.
- (c) register — verb works in (1), but “register profit” and “employee’s register” are unnatural; noun form “attendance register” works regionally but breaks others.
- (d) log — works for (1) and (3), but “log profit” and “employee’s log” are not idiomatic for (2) and (4).

S73. Ans.(e)

Sol. The correct answer is:

(e) Their cognitive growth may be positively influenced when gameplay is balanced with academic and social activities.

Explanation:

The passage emphasizes the *dual nature* of video games — they can be both beneficial and harmful depending on **how** they are used.

- In **paragraph 1**, the author highlights that when used *judiciously*, games can enhance **critical thinking, problem-solving, reflexes, attention**, and even **communication skills**.
- However, in **paragraph 2**, the author warns that *excessive indulgence* can lead to **addiction, academic neglect, social isolation**, and **emotional stagnation**.
- Finally, the conclusion clearly states that video games are a *powerful yet ambivalent influence* and that the *key lies in equilibrium and discernment*.

Hence, the passage implies that **students’ cognitive and emotional development benefits most when gaming is balanced with other aspects of life**, aligning directly with option **(e)**.

Why the other options are incorrect:

- **(a)** The passage states the opposite — *extended hours* cause *musculoskeletal strain* and *visual fatigue*, harming physical well-being.
- **(b)** Exposure to violent content *diminishes empathy* and *fosters irritability*, not the opposite.
- **(c)** Excessive gaming causes students to *neglect responsibilities* and lose time-management control.
- **(d)** Academic performance *deteriorates* when gaming becomes excessive, so motivation doesn’t remain stable.

Thus, **only option (e)** is consistent with the author’s viewpoint.

S74. Ans.(c)

Sol. The correct answer is:

(c) Both (I) and (II)

Explanation:

The second paragraph of the passage explicitly describes the **negative consequences** of excessive gaming:

“Prolonged exposure often leads to addictive tendencies, causing students to neglect academic responsibilities and social interactions. Extended screen time may trigger visual fatigue, musculoskeletal strain, and disrupted circadian rhythms. Moreover, recurrent engagement with violent or aggressive content can desensitize young minds, fostering irritability and diminishing empathic sensitivity.”

From this, we can infer the following:

- **Statement (I):**
- **Correct.** The passage clearly mentions that repeated exposure to violent content *desensitizes young minds* and *diminishes empathic sensitivity*. This aligns perfectly with the idea of *affective desensitization* and reduced empathy.
- **Statement (II):**
- **Correct.** The text refers to *visual fatigue* (ocular exhaustion) and *musculoskeletal strain* (postural discomfort) as physical effects of prolonged screen exposure.
- **Statement (III):**
- **Incorrect.** The passage states the opposite — that excessive gaming *leads to neglect of academic and social interactions* and even *social alienation*, not increased interpersonal participation.

Conclusion:

Hence, only **(I)** and **(II)** can be logically inferred from the passage.

Answer: (c) Both (I) and (II)

S75. Ans.(d)

Sol. The correct answer is:

(d) The amplification of empathic receptivity and affective discernment resulting from recurrent exposure to violent digital scenarios.

Explanation:

The **first paragraph** of the passage lists several *constructive benefits* of video gaming **when practiced in moderation**:

“Educational and strategy-based games enhance critical thinking, problem-solving aptitude, and spatial awareness, while also fostering collaborative and communicative skills through multiplayer formats. Furthermore, gaming can serve as a therapeutic escape, helping students alleviate stress and rejuvenate their minds after intense academic exertion. Studies even suggest that certain action-oriented games bolster reflexes, hand-eye coordination, and attentional focus...”

From this, we can match each correct point:

- **(a) Mentioned** — “*enhance critical thinking, problem-solving aptitude, and spatial awareness*” = analytical and visuospatial improvement.
- **(b) Mentioned** — “*fostering collaborative and communicative skills through multiplayer formats*” = cooperative and interpersonal enhancement.
- **(c) Mentioned** — “*action-oriented games bolster reflexes, hand-eye coordination, and attentional focus*” = psychomotor and attentional development.
- **(e) Mentioned** — “*helping students alleviate stress and rejuvenate their minds*” = reduction of psychological strain and cognitive refreshment.

However:

- **(d) The passage states the opposite:**

“Recurrent engagement with violent or aggressive content can desensitize young minds, fostering irritability and diminishing empathic sensitivity.”

So, rather than **amplifying empathy**, violent gaming **reduces** empathic responsiveness.

Conclusion:

The only option **not supported** — and directly contradicted — by the passage is:

(d)

