

Set 04

1. In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the word which best expresses the meaning of the given word and click the button corresponding to it.

LABYRINTH

- (a) MAZE (b) PATH
(c) SKYSCRAPER (d) IMPASSE

Ans: (a) MAZE

[LABYRINTH- inner ear / complex system of paths or tunnels in which it easy to get lost.; PATH- way; SKYSCRAPER- a very tall building with many stories; IMPASSE- deadlock/stalemate]

2. In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the word which is opposite in meaning to the given word and click the button corresponding to it.

BARREN

- (a) FERTILE (b) ABUNDANT
(c) HARSH (d) FALLOW

Ans : (a) FERTILE- productive

[Barren- Wasteland/stark; Fallow- undeveloped but potentially useful]

3. Four words are given, out of which only one word is spelt correctly. Choose the correctly spelt word and click the button corresponding to it.

- (a) Mysogynous (b) Misogynous
(c) Mysoginous (d) Misoginous

Ans: (b) Misogynous- hatred of women

(Questions 4 to 6) In the following questions, one part of the sentence may have an error . Find out which part of the sentence has an error and click the button corresponding to it. If the sentence is free error, click the "No error" option.

4. According to scientists (a)/ there are a lot of (b)/ answers about it (c)/ No error (d)

Ans: (C) no use of 'about it'

5. They are coming (a)/ to (b)/ our direction (c)/ No error (d)

Ans : (B) Use 'towards' in place of 'to'

6. The building collapsed (a)/ at the afternoon (b)/ at about 4 o'clock (c)/ No error(d)

Ans : (B) Use 'in' in place of 'at'.

(Question: 7 to 9) The sentences given with blanks are to be filled with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. For each question, choose the correct alternative and click the button corresponding to it.

7. The police is _____ one his activities.

- (a) keeping an eye
(b) keeping watchful eyes
(c) keeping both eyes
(d) keeping one eye

Ans : (a) keeping an eye (idiom/phrases) – to watch over attentively.

8. Are you _____ stamp collecting ?
(a) interested by (b) interested in
(c) interested at (d) interested about

Ans : (b) interested in

9. Your report _____ my statement.
(a) conforms (b) conforming
(c) confirms (d) comforting

Ans : (c) confirms

(Questions 10 to 12) In each of the questions, four alternatives are given for the Idiom/Phrase. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase and click the button corresponding to it.

10. To get cold feet
(a) Drenched (b) Fear
(c) Felicitate (d) Fever

Ans : (b) Fear

[Drenched- wet through and through/ saturated/ soaked; Felicitate- happy]

11. Beside the mark
(a) Perfect (b) Not to the point
(c) Relevant (d) Charming

Ans : (b) Not to the point

12. On tenterhooks
(a) Happy and excited
(b) In suspense and anxiety
(c) Angry and shocked
(d) Surprised and shocked

Ans : (b) In suspense and anxiety

(Questions 13 to 15) Out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/ sentences and click the button corresponding to it.

13. Property inherited from one's father or ancestors.
(a) Patrimony (b) Mercenary
(c) Hereditary (d) Aristocracy

Ans : (a) Patrimony

[Mercenary- materialistic / used of soldiers hired by a foreign army; Hereditary- genetic/inherited; Aristocracy- gentry/ nobility]

14. A person who is womanish in his habits
(a) Feminist (b) Philologist
(c) Effeminate (d) Feminine

Ans : (c) Effeminate

[Feminist- women's rightist/ a supporter of feminism; Philologist- a humanistic study of language and literature; Feminine- womanly]

15. One who is converted from one religion to another.

- (a) Pilgrim (b) Polytheist
(c) Proselyte (d) Presbyte

Ans : (c) Presbyte

[Polytheist - worshipping or believing in more than one god; Presbyte- a follower of Calvinism as

taught in the Presbyterian Church]

(Question : 16 to 20) A sentence / a part of the sentence is underlined. Four alternatives are given to the underlined part which will improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative and click the button corresponding to it. In case no improvement is needed, click the button corresponding to "No improvement".

16. Do you have some sugar?
- (a) any sugar (b) little sugar
(c) small sugar (d) No improvement
Ans : (d) No improvement
17. Iago lied to Othello about his wife.
(a) lay (b) laid (c) lain (d) No improvement
Ans : (d) No improvement
'Lied' is the 2nd form of 'lie' which means- 'tell an untruth'
18. It is not possible to tell the entire story in nutshell.
(a) in a nutshell (b) in the nut
(c) in a shell (d) No improvement
Ans : (a) in a nutshell
(**'In a nutshell' is a correct Idiom/Phrases. Which means-'summed up briefly; in very brief form; in a few words.**)
19. It is all but same to me whether I am transferred to Mumbai or Kolkata.
(a) all or same (b) all the same
(c) all one (d) No improvement
Ans : (b) all the same
(**All the same (Adverb) means- 'Despite anything to the contrary'**)
20. Despite his father's financial assistance he was always hard on.
(a) hard in (b) hard up
(c) hard out (d) No improvement
Ans : (b) hard up
Use 'hard up' in place of 'hard on'
'Hard up' (phrase) means- 'short of money/urgently in need of money...'
Question (21 to 25) A passage is given with 5 questions following it. Read the passage carefully it. Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives and click the button corresponding to it.

Even the majority of elders turn their homes into hives of worry as they have too little to do in too much time. Those who have retired thus find retirement tiresome when hobbies, instead, could have turned it into a period of creativity and contentment.

This common problem of inability to utilize leisure pleasurably and profitably is not restricted to Indians. In fact,

Japanese are the worse sufferers. Their weekends, rather than increase their enjoyment of life, have wreaked havoc on their health and happiness. Unable to while away the long, unstructured hours, many of them have become addicts to coffee or hard liquor, and have even taken to gambling.

How has this social malady come about? Ironically, the syllabus-loaded education system is the main culprit. It places a heavy workload on children and youth, laying emphasis as it does on memory rather than intelligence.

21. Why do a majority of retired elders find retirement tiresome?
(a) Because their homes have been turned into hives of worry.
(b) Because they do not have hobbies to utilize their free time
(c) Because they had nothing to do.
(d) Because they had plenty of free time.
Ans : (b) Because they do not have hobbies to utilize their free time.
22. How have the Japanese benefitted from their weekends?
(a) They have increased enjoyment in life
(b) They enjoy health and happiness
(c) They use their free time to increase their enjoyment.
(d) They become addicts to coffee or hard liquor and gambling.
Ans : (d) They become addicts to coffee or hard liquor and gambling.
23. The syllabus loaded education system
(a) Places a heavy burden on the youth
(b) Ensures that parents pay attention to the development of children
(c) Lays emphasis on intelligence.
(d) Gives students a lot of free time.
Ans : (a) Places a heavy burden on the youth.
24. The author thinks that
(a) Authorities are more appreciative of the syllabus loaded education system.
(b) Hobbies play an important role in changing the unfortunate situation.
(c) Cocurricular activities are discouraged.
(d) Only Indians suffer from inability to utilize leisure.
Ans : (b) Hobbies play an important role in changing the unfortunate situation.
25. The passage tells us that
(a) Hobbies are a waste of time
(b) Hobbies play a crucial role in physical and mental development.
(c) Hobbies wreak havoc on man's health and happiness.

DETAILED SOLUTION

If reporting verb is in the past tense and reported speech is i

37. He said, "No, I am not guilty."
A. He denied that he was guilty.
B. He denied to have been guilty.
C. He denied that he is guilty.
D. He denied that he is not guilty.

The Correct Answer is A

DETAILED SOLUTION

If reported verb is in the past tense and reported speech is in the simple present tense, then reported speech changes to simple past tense

Directions A sentence has been given in Active/Passive Voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active Voice and mark your Answer.

38. Who will help me?
A. By whom I shall be helped?
B. By whom will I be helped?
C. By whom would I be helped?
D. By whom I will be helped?

The Correct Answer is B

DETAILED SOLUTION

In case of interrogative sentences which start with 'who', the passive voice will start with 'by whom' in the form- by whom+ auxiliary verb+subject+M.V3+?

39. Who has destroyed Nagasaki?
A. By whom Nagasaki have been destroyed?
B. By whom has Nagasaki been destroyed?
C. By whom Nagasaki had been destroyed?
D. By whom Nagasaki has been destroyed?

The Correct Answer is B

DETAILED SOLUTION

In case of interrogative sentences which start with 'who', the passive voice will start with 'by whom' in the form- by whom+ auxiliary verb+subject+been+M.V3+?

Direction : Mark the correct spelling

40. A. Illusteous B. Illistrrious
C. Ilustrious D. Illustrrious

40. The Correct Answer is D

DETAILED SOLUTION

The correctly spelt word is 'illustrious'.