

Set 05

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.

ABORTIVE

- (a) PLENTIFUL (b) LAWFUL
(c) UNSUCCESSFUL (d) FRUITFUL

Answer. (c) UNSUCCESSFUL (FUTILE, USELESS)

'PLENTIFUL-AMPLE,RICH'

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.

IRASCIBLE

- (a) CRANKY (b) CHOLERIC
(c) AMIABLE (d) WASPISH

Answer .(c) AMIABLE (PLEASANT, CHEERFUL, PLACID), ('Irascible-unpleasant, Choleric;/ Cranky-irritable;/ Waspish- Bristly, irritable)

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) Thoroughly (b) Thoroughly
(c) Thoroughly (d) Thoroughly

Answer : (b) Thoroughly

(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. The trek is difficult (a)/ but it is far worth (b)/ the endeavour (c)/ No error (d)

Answer : (b) Use 'well worth' in place of 'war worth'

5. What man can die (a)/ better than (b)/ serving his country ? (c)/ No error (d)

Answer : (a) Use 'how can man die' in place of 'what man can die'. Because sentence is interrogative, helping verb will be used before subject.

6. The teacher prevented (a)/ the boys (b)/ to go there (c)/ No error(d)

Answer : (c) Use 'from going' in place of 'to go' [Prevent is followed by an object+from+gerund]

(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. He has no recommendations he will _____, get the job.

- (a) however (b) whatsoever

- (c) whereas (d) whatever

Answer : (a) however

8. Leaves _____ in autumn.

- (a) fall down (b) fall of
(c) fall on (d) fall off

Answer : (d) fall off

9. Each time he tired to climb the tree, he failed to do_____ .

- (a) thus (b) then (c) so (d) this

Answer : (c) so

(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. A cuckoo in the nest

- (a) One who likes to stay at home
(b) A view from a high place
(c) An unwelcome intruder
(d) One who is chosen as the leader of the group

Answer : (c) An unwelcome intruder

11. A house of cards

- (a) An insecure scheme
(b) A gambling house
(c) A plan with high stakes
(d) A place where cards are printed

Answer : (a) An insecure scheme

12. To smell a rat

- (a) To see signs of plague epidemic
(b) To get the bad smell of a dead rat
(c) To suspect foul dealings
(d) To be in a bad mood

Answer : (c) To suspect foul dealings

(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. A small shop that sells fashionable clothes, cosmetics etc.

- (a) Store (b) Stall
(c) Boutique (d) Booth

Answer : (c) Boutique

14. Interval between two events

- (a) Recess (b) Interlude
(c) Shuttle (d) Prelude

Answer : (b) Interlude

15. A person's peculiar habit

- (a) Peculiarity (b) Trait
(c) Distinction (d) Idiosyncrasy

Answer : (d) Idiosyncrasy

[Distinction- a distinguishing quality/ eminence; peculiarity- speciality]

(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. The priest told the devotees that the wages of sin are death.

(a) was (b) is (c) were (d) No improvement

Answer : (b) is

[Singular helping verb is used after these nouns like- News/Gallows/Summons/Wages etc...]

17. Careful drivers never take eyes of the road.

(a) by (b) from (c) off (d) No improvement

Answer : (c) Off

[Takes eyes off means – 'when you take your eyes off the thing you have been watching or looking at, you stop looking at it.]

18. For all his wealth, he has no joy in life.

(a) with (b) Beside
(c) Despite of (d) No improvement

Answer : (a) Use 'with' in place of 'for'. [Despite can be used but 'of' is after 'despite' so we can not use 'option(c) despite of]

19. The teacher asked him where did he live?

(a) he has been living
(b) he lives
(c) he lived
(d) No improvement

Answer : (c) he lived

20. The meeting was advanced until the following Monday.

(a) adjourned (b) suspended
(c) forwarded (d) No improvement

Answer : (a) 'adjourned' means- break off

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.

Of the many changes that have taken place thanks to liberalisation, a major one is that today's youngsters are earning more than ever before. In some cases, they draw even fatter salaries than their parents. But are they blowing it up or sensibly saving it? Though some tend to splurge there are many who have started saving. Some of them go in for mutual funds and tax saving bonds. Some even go in for investments which give them tax breaks insurance, home loans, mutual fund savings scheme. In fact the average age of a person taking a housing loan has come down from 41 to 28 in the last five years. Now, where do they get their investment advice from ? Some feel it's a combination of friends, family, broker advisors, the media and the net.

21. Liberalisation has enabled our youngsters to :

(a) Be paid more (b) work hard
(c) Blow up money (d) Look after their money

Answer : (a) Be paid more

22. 'Blowing it up' means :

(a) Spending extravagantly
(b) Exaggerating
(c) Spending on smoking
(d) Donating liberally

Answer : (a) Spending extravagantly

23. The average of a person taking housing loan has come down because he

(a) Gets fat salaries even at a young age
(b) Has wealthy parents
(c) Goes in for mutual funds
(d) Buys lottery tickets.

Answer : (a) Gets fat salaries

24. Which of the following is 'False'?

(a) Mutual funds (b) Home loans
(c) Savings scheme (d) Purchasing jewellery

Answer : (d) Purchasing jewellery

25. Which of the following is true?

(a) The youngsters today spend all the money they get
(b) All the youngsters save all the money they get
(c) Many youngsters save all the money they get
(d) A few youngsters spend more while some save

Answer : (d) A few youngsters spend more while some save

Directions : Cloze Test

Our national leaders are still trapped in the slogans and clichés of the freedom struggle. Day in and day out, they extol the .. '26'.. of nationalism, patriotism and service to the motherland and .. '27'.. on the great sacrifices made by our leaders in the cause of India's freedom. Mercifully, we still have .. '28'.. of freedom fighters among us, whose number .. '29'.. keeps increasing despite the country having won freedom half a century back. Politicians are .. '30'.. to be down-to-earth people, with their finger on the .. '31'.. of the masses. They should have an uncanny knack of .. '32'.. the nebulous desires and aspirations of the people. In other words, they have to be .. '33'.. in tune with the times, But what sort of .. '34'.. repeated appeals to patriotism, nationalism and sacrifices made during the freedom struggle strike in the heart of the post-Independence generation ? It grew up when the country had already won Independence and the freedom struggle had .. '35'.. into history. Since it has grown up in a sovereign, democratic republic, nationalism and patriotism are nice words that do not quite inspire it.

26. Fill 'A'.

A. standard B. targets
C. ideals D. goals

The Correct Answer is C

DETAILED SOLUTION

Ideals here means the standards or principles to be aimed at.

27. Fill 'B'.

- A. enlarge B. dwell
C. insist D. expatiate

The Correct Answer is D

DETAILED SOLUTION

Expatriate on means to write or speak in detail.

28. Fill 'C'.

- A. majority B. groups
C. tribes D. hordes

The Correct Answer is A

DETAILED SOLUTION

Majority of freedom fighters among us and hence correct answer is 'A'. It may be noted that tribes is plural noun used to show a social division in a traditional society.

29. Fill 'D'.

- A. steadily B. generally
C. normally D. periodically

The Correct Answer is A

DETAILED SOLUTION

Steadily means continuous

30. Fill 'E'.

- A. required B. supposed
C. observed D. saw

The Correct Answer is B

DETAILED SOLUTION

Supposed here is a transitive verb used to demand that somebody will do something because they are expected by people to perform in certain way.

31. Fill 'F'.

- A. mood B. heart
C. pulse D. mind

The Correct Answer is C

DETAILED SOLUTION

to keep/have finger on the pulse is a Idiom, which means to be always aware of the most recent developments.

32. Fill 'G'.

- A. leading B. representing
C. reflecting D. articulating

The Correct Answer is B

DETAILED SOLUTION

represent means to be entitled or appointed to act or speak for (someone), especially in an official capacity.

"for purposes of litigation, an infant can and must be represented by an adult"

synonyms: be elected by, be the councillor/ MP for, have the vote of

33. Fill 'H'.

- A. collectively B. wholly

C. inevitably

D. substantially

The Correct Answer is B

DETAILED SOLUTION

Inevitable which can't be avoided, Wholly means completely.

34. Fill 'T'.

- A. tune B. rhythm
C. chord D. music

The Correct Answer is A

DETAILED SOLUTION

what sort of tune..... is the correct usage.

35. Fill 'J'.

- A. retired B. receded
C. retreated D. returned

The Correct Answer is B

DETAILED SOLUTION

Receded means to go or move back or further away from a previous position and hence B is the correct answer.

Also, Retire चले जाना, Reced/ Retreat पूर्ववर्ती स्थान पर वापस लौटना

Directions: In the following question, the sentence/passage is split into four part and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence and find out which of the four combinations is correct and mark it

36. P. ignored these sorts

Q. scientists largely

R. most of the 20th century

S. of debates for

- A. QRPS B. SPRQ
C. SQPR D. QPSR

The Correct Answer is D

37. P. they hope to understand

Q. about these, the better

R. the more they know

S. what consciousness is

- A. RQPS B. RQSP
C. SQPR D. QPSR

The Correct Answer is A

38. P. stories, because administering

Q. are full of such horror

R. studies of anesthesia awareness

S. anesthesia is a tightrope walk

- A. RQSP B. SPRQ
C. RQPS D. SPRQ

The Correct Answer is C

DETAILED SOLUTION

'...such horror' (in Q) is followed by 'stories...' (in P). Thus, option 'C' is correct.

39. P. pressure, but exactly why

Q. it was to all those looking on

R. was as baffling to her as

S. she was crumbling under

- A. PQRS B. SPRQ
C. SQPR D. QPSR

The Correct Answer is B
DETAILED SOLUTION

40. P. as someone once said, it
Q. sang were those that sang best
R. indeed if the only birds that
S. would be a very quiet forest
A. PSQR B. SPRQ
C. RPSQ D. PSRQ

The Correct Answer is D

Directions : In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect Speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct Speech and select your answer

41. The mother said to her son, "You must leave me and go on."
A. The mother said to her son that he must leave me and go on.
B. The mother said that her son must leave her and went on.
C. The mother ordered her son to leave her and go on.
D. The mother asked her son that he must leave her and go on.

The Correct Answer is C
DETAILED SOLUTION

This is an imperative sentence where a command (must) is given. None other than option (3) which consists of 'ordered' is the bes

42. The teacher said to me, "If you work hard, you will pass."
A. The teacher said to me that if I work hard, I will pass.
B. The teacher said to me if I work hard, I will pass.
C. The teacher told me that if I worked hard, I would pass.
D. The teacher said if I worked hard, I would pass.

The Correct Answer is C
DETAILED SOLUTION

The simple present conditional sentence in the reported speech will change to simple past conditional as per the simple past reporting

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.

43. Do not insult the poor.
A. The poor are not insulted.
B. The poor is not insulted.
C. Let the poor be not insulted.
D. Let the poor not be insulted.

The Correct Answer is D
DETAILED SOLUTION

In case of imperative sentences with object, the passive voice will be—let+obj+be+V1

44. Do not disturb me.
A. Let me be distrubed not.
B. Let me not disturbed.
C. Let me not be disturbed.
D. Let I not be disturbed.

The Correct Answer is C
DETAILED SOLUTION

In case of imperative sentences with object, the passive voice will be—let+obj+be+V1

Direction: Mark the correct spelling

45. A. Puerille B. Puerrile
C. Puerile D. Purrile

The Correct Answer is C
DETAILED SOLUTION

The correctly spelt word is 'puerile', that means