



# English Practice PDF for CDS (II) 2018

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- Direction:** The following question consists of a sentence with an underlined word/words followed by four words. Select the option that is opposite in meaning to the underlined word/words and mark your response accordingly.  
The famous writer is always **impartial** in all his books.  
A. discourteous      B. impudent  
C. unfair              D. disrespectful
- Jagriti will often **upbraid** her husband for spending too much money at the mall.  
A. chide                B. fret  
C. disapprove        D. praise
- His humor added **zest** to the live performance.  
A. morose              B. bright  
C. intelligence       D. irritation
- The **knave** volunteered to clean the temple so he could have access to the petty cash box.  
A. jester                B. knight  
C. bachelor            D. gentlemen
- Commerce is unexpectedly confident and **serene**, alert, adventurous and unwearied.  
A. placid                B. flagrant  
C. profound            D. disturbed
- Direction:** In this question, you have a short passage. After the passage, you will find some items based on the passage. First, read a passage and answer the items based on it. You are required to select your answers based on the contents of the passage and opinion of the author only.  
It was in the early 1960s when India was facing an enormous shortage of cereals that new agricultural policies were born marking the start of the Green Revolution. In 1964, the government set up the Food Corporation of India (FCI) to procure foodgrains from farmers at remunerative prices, and through the public distribution system distribute them to consumers and also maintain buffer stock for food security. In 1965, an Agricultural Prices

- Commission was set up to advise on the pricing policy for agricultural commodities and its impact on the economy. It was then that the Price Support Policy of the Government came in, providing a foolproof solution to agricultural producers against a sharp fall in farm prices. The word *procure* as used in the passage means:
- Ponce
  - Contrive
  - Machinate
  - Obtain
- Which policy provided the solution to agricultural producers against a fall in farm prices?  
A. Price Support Policy  
B. Food Corporation Policy  
C. Agricultural Prices Policy  
D. Green Revolution Policy
  - Who gave the advice on impact of the pricing policy on the economy of India?  
A. Food Corporation of India  
B. Agricultural Prices Commission  
C. Government  
D. Farmers
  - What was the reason behind the starting the Green Revolution?  
A. No agricultural policy  
B. Maintained buffer stock  
C. Harsh Pricing Policy  
D. Shortage of cereals
  - When was the FCI established?  
A. 1960                      B. 1965  
C. 1964                      D. 1970
  - Direction:** The following sentence has a blank space and four words are given below it. Select the word you consider most appropriate for the blank and indicate your choice accordingly.  
Though Anushka broke a serious traffic rule; she was only given a slap on the \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. cheek  
B. wrist  
C. head  
D. back



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12. **Direction:** The following sentence has a blank space and four words are given below it. Select the word you consider most appropriate for the blank and indicate your choice accordingly.  
The roaring crowd in a full stadium during the World Series might be said to be \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. ebullient            B. decorous  
C. deleterious        D. magnanimous
13. **Direction:** The following sentence has a blank space and four words are given below it. Select the word you consider most appropriate for the blank and indicate your choice accordingly.  
Jassica's article about the election was less a piece of reporting than a \_\_\_\_\_ of his political views.
- A. collusion            B. depravity  
C. manifesto         D. finesse
14. **Direction:** The following sentence has a blank space and four words are given below it. Select the word you consider most appropriate for the blank and indicate your choice accordingly.  
Dogs have a \_\_\_\_\_ for chasing cats and mailmen.
- A. enigma                B. dilettante  
C. clemency            D. penchant
15. **Direction:** The following sentence has a blank space and four words are given below it. Select the word you consider most appropriate for the blank and indicate your choice accordingly.  
Letting the air force use our backyard as a bombing range created a \_\_\_\_\_ of problems.
- A. plethora              B. pivotal  
C. extraneous         D. consummate
16. **Direction:** Rearrange the parts of the sentence in the correct order.  
But this does not mean  
X-phenomena to the body  
Y-is a meaningless expression  
Z-that the reference of mental
- A. YZX                    B. ZXY  
C. YXZ                    D. XZY

17. **Direction:** Rearrange the parts of the sentence in the correct order.  
The causes and their  
X- in the same series  
Y- one order, they stand  
Z- effects belong to the
- A. ZXY                    B. YZX  
C. YXZ                    D. ZYX
18. **Direction:** Rearrange the parts of the sentence in the correct order.  
The loss of these  
P-young, and often  
Q-make us ponder  
R-bright, people must
- A. PRQ                    B. PQR  
C. QPR                    D. RPQ
19. **Direction:** Rearrange the parts of the sentence in the correct order.  
If society considers this  
P. to wonder if society itself is normal  
Q. to be normal or treats it with  
R. indifference, one has
- A. PRQ                    B. QRP  
C. RQP                    D. RPQ
20. **Direction:** Rearrange the parts of the sentence in the correct order.  
To begin with,  
P-isnot that they are 'unsmart'  
Q-theproblem with Indian cities  
R-butthat they are dysfunctional
- A. RPQ                    B. QRP  
C. QPR                    D. PRQ

**Direction (21-25):** In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer out of the four alternatives for the given blanks.

State Route 520 (SR 520) is a 13-mile (21 km) state highway and freeway in the Seattle metropolitan area in the U.S. state of Washington. **(###Q1###)** Seattle to the East side region of King County across the Evergreen Point Floating Bridge on Lake Washington, it intersects Interstate 5 (I-5) in Seattle, I-405 in Bellevue, and SR 202 in Redmond. It was **(###Q2###)** as a freeway in 1964, but was not fully constructed until the late 1970s. Increased traffic on the corridor, spurred in part by



- (###Q3###) of the Microsoft headquarters in Overlake, led to the addition of high-occupancy vehicle lanes and new (###Q4###) in the 1990s. In April 2016, the original floating bridge was replaced by a wider one as part of a multibillion-dollar expansion program that is (###Q5###) to be completed in the 2020s.
21. Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill in the blanks which are numbered.  
A. Segregating    B. Illuminating  
C. Connecting    D. Staggering
  22. Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill in the blanks which are numbered.  
A. Designated    B. Vindicated  
C. Confounded    D. Exaggerated
  23. Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill in the blanks which are numbered.  
A. Narration    B. Expansion  
C. Explanation    D. Interrogation  
E. Obligation
  24. Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill in the blanks which are numbered.  
A. Destinations    B. Numerical  
C. Priorities    D. Interchanges
  25. Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill in the blanks which are numbered.  
A. Outnumbered    B. Cancelled  
C. Scheduled    D. Exported
  26. **Direction:** *Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.*  
Any bad habit must be nipped (on) the bud.  
A. on  
B. in  
C. off  
D. No improvement
  27. **Direction:** *Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.*  
We are late because my wife took two hours to (put up) her make-up.  
A. put on  
B. put  
C. put over  
D. No improvement
  28. **Direction:** *Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.*  
Your kitchen has been your (unfailing) companion from the hazardous first attempts at cooking.  
A. Unprecedented  
B. Unfair  
C. Unavailable  
D. No improvement
  29. **Direction:** *Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.*  
The bus (had left) before I reached the stop.  
A. left  
B. leaves  
C. will have left  
D. No improvement
  30. **Direction:** *Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.*  
Hardly had she finished her dinner (then) the doorbell rang.  
A. than  
B. when  
C. while  
D. No improvement





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