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Direction: A sentence with two blanks, each blank indicating that something has been omitted, is given. Choose the set of words that best fit the meaning of the sentence as a whole.

1. Please _____ the grease _____ the floor.
A. wipe, in B. scour, off
C. take, from D. remove, at
E. remove, up

#Direction: Each question below has two blanks. There are five pairs of words below each sentence. Choose the pair of words which can be filled up in the blanks in the sentence in the same order so as to complete the sentence meaningfully.

2. Man needs food not _____ for the body but for the soul too, as the sole satisfaction of his physical wants does not imply his _____.
A. merely-contentment
B. properly-superiority
C. only-spirituality
D. necessarily-commitment
E. certainly-entitlement

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3. The hunger for power is _____ and therefore most difficult to _____.
A. accumulative, subsume
B. enormous, apply
C. empowering, delegate
D. insatiable, contain
E. evolutionary, rationalize

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4. The parents have approached the high court to _____ the government order after their children, who passed LKG, were _____ admission by a school.

- A. Void, given B. Quash, approved
C. Annul, refused D. Stay, denied
E. Lift, offered

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5. Overlords' income, despite the _____ in rice production among their tenant farmers, failed to keep pace with their _____.
A. Increase, expenses
B. Decrease, savings
C. Increasing, storage
D. Increases, spending
E. Decreased, earnings

Direction (6 – 10) : 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 have been suggested, one of which fills the blanks appropriately.

A sparrow couple lived on the branches of a huge tree, deep in the jungle. They had worked very hard in building their nest, and it was a comfortable home that protected them in all weathers. One day, during the winter, as they were enjoying the **__(###Q1###)__** of their nest, it started raining outside.

Sometime later, a monkey came to take shelter under the very same tree. The monkey was all **__(###Q2###)__** in the rain, and his teeth were chattering in the cold.

When the female sparrow saw this, she felt pity on him and said from her nest, "O Monkey, You have hands and feet similar to humans. You can use them for many reasons. Why don't you make yourself a protected home?"

The monkey was already suffering from the rain and the cold, and was in no mood for an advice. He replied, "You **__(###Q3###)__** sparrow! Why can't you keep your mouth shut?"



But the female sparrow continued her advice. She explained how she was able to enjoy the comforts of her home, and how she did not suffer from either heat, or cold, or rain. This made the monkey very angry.

The monkey thought, "What a wicked female bird! She talks as if she has mastered all **(###Q4###)** and philosophies, and simply won't stop chirping. She is making me so angry, that I might as well kill her. I am already suffering from this rain and cold, I do not wish to hear any advice."

The female sparrow, however, continued chattering and did not cease to advice.

At one moment, the monkey became so angry, that he **(###Q5###)** up the tree and tore up her nest to pieces.

6. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. static
- B. comforts
- C. annoyance
- D. joyful
- E. distress

7. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. unclad
- B. stripped
- C. shorn
- D. drenched
- E. peeled

8. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. good
- B. wicked
- C. confused
- D. moral
- E. decent

Direction: In the given question, a part of the sentence is printed in bold. Below the sentence alternatives to the bold part are given at (A), (B), (C) and (D) which may help improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case the given sentence is correct, your answer is (E) i.e. No correction required.

9. An entrepreneur **may keep his fingers** on the pulse of the market to be successful.

- A. Might keep his fingers
- B. May kept his fingers
- C. Must keep his fingers

- D. Must kept the fingers.
- E. No correction required.

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10. The film hit the box office with a **flying starting** and collected the highest revenue on day 1.

- A. Flying start
- B. Fly starting
- C. Flying started
- D. Fly started
- E. No correction required

Direction: In the given question, a part of the sentence is printed in bold. Below the sentence alternatives to the bold part are given at (A), (B), (C) and (D) which may help improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case the given sentence is correct, your answer is (E) i.e. No correction required.

11. The boss examined my report with a **fine teeth comb** before submitting it to the senior management.

- A. Finer teeth comb
- B. Fine tooth comb
- C. Finely teeth comb
- D. Fine tooth combs
- E. No correction required

Direction: In the given question, a part of the sentence is printed in bold. Below the sentence alternatives to the bold part are given at (A), (B), (C) and (D) which may help improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case the given sentence is correct, your answer is (E) i.e. No correction required.

12. We have important issues to deal with, but these petty arguments keep getting **in the way**.

- A. because manner of
- B. since ways are
- C. by way of
- D. in the way of

E. no correction required

Direction: In the given question, a part of the sentence is printed in bold. Below the sentence alternatives to the bold part are given at (A), (B), (C) and (D) which may help improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case the given sentence is correct, your answer is (E), i.e., "No correction required".

13. Although my cousin invited me, **I choose not** to go to the reunion.

- A. I chose not
- B. I will choose not
- C. I would choose not
- D. I am choosing not
- E. No correction required

14. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. things
- B. knowledge
- C. sciences
- D. bold
- E. immodest

15. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. moved
- B. stopped
- C. walked
- D. towards
- E. climbed

Direction (16 – 20) : Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

It is an old saying that knowledge is power. Education is an instrument which imparts knowledge and, therefore, indirectly controls power. Therefore, ever since the dawn of civilization persons in power have always tried to supervise or control education. It has been the **handmaid of the ruling class**. During the Christian era, the ecclesiastics controlled the institution of education and diffused among the people the gospel of the Bible and religious teachings. These gospels and teachings were no other than a philosophy for the maintenance of the existing society. It taught the poor man to be meek and to earn his bread with the **sweat of his brow**, while the priests and the landlords lived in luxury and fought duels for the slightest offence. During the

Renaissance, Education passed more from the clutches of the priest into the hand of the prince. In other words it became more secular. It was also due to the growth of the nation-state and powerful monarchs who united the country under their rule. Thus, under the control of the monarch, education began to devise and preach the **infallibility** of its masters, the monarch or king. It also invented and supported fantastic theories like the Divine Right Theory and that the king can do no wrong etc. With the advent of the industrial revolution education took a different turn and had to please the new masters. It now no longer remained the privilege of the baron class but was thrown open to the new rich merchant class of society. Yet education was still confined to the few elite. The philosophy which was in vogue during this period was that of 'Laissez Faire' restricting the function of the State to a mere keeping of law and order while, on the other hand, in practice the law of the jungle prevailed in the form of free competition and the survival of the fittest.

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16. Who controlled education during the era after the industrial revolution?

- A. The baron class
- B. The priests
- C. The prince
- D. The monarch
- E. None of these

17. What does the theory of Divine Right of king stipulate?

- A. That kings are gods.
- B. They have the right to be worshipped like gods by their subjects.
- C. That the right of governing is conferred upon kings by god.
- D. That the rights of kings are divine and therefore sacred.
- E. None of these

18. What does the expression '**handmaid of the ruling class**' mean?

- A. Private Mistress of the prince
- B. Something fully under the control of the ruling class
- C. Private maid-servants of the prince
- D. The symbol of authority of the prince



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E. None of these

19. Who controlled education during the Renaissance?

- A. The common people
- B. The prince
- C. The church and the priests
- D. The secular leaders of the society
- E. None of these

20. What does the word "infallibility" mean?

- A. That every man is open to error
- B. That some divine power is responsible for determining the fate of men
- C. The virtue of not making any mistake
- D. Sensitivity
- E. None of these

Direction (21 – 25) : Rearrange the following six sentences (A), (B), (C), (D), (E) and (F) in a proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph and answer the questions that follow.

A) Expressing her views on the decision, the information commissioner said, "We shouldn't have to prevent our children from being able to use the internet, but we must demand that they are protected when they do. This code does that."

B) One of the other important recommendations under the ICO's proposed code of practice for internet firms, which the platforms would be responsible for enforcing, includes limiting how children's personal data is _____, used and shared by social media companies.

C) Turning off the "like" function, and limiting data collection and geolocation tools on popular platforms are among a 16-point list of recommendations for age-appropriate design released by the Information Commissioner's Office.

D) Under the proposed guidelines to improve child internet safety in the UK, Facebook and other social media firms are supposed to alert children if their parent or caretaker is monitoring their online activity.

E) It said "nudge" techniques, which platforms employ to encourage users to engage in a certain way, should not be

used to try to keep under-18s online for longer.

F) Companies that do not stick to the code could face fines of up to 4% of their global turnover, around \$1.6bn for Facebook.

21. Which of the following will be the **Fourth** sentence after rearrangement?

- A. A
- B. B
- C. C
- D. D
- E. E

22. Which of the following will be the **Second** sentence after rearrangement?

- A. A
- B. B
- C. C
- D. D
- E. F

23. Which of the following will be the **Third** sentence after rearrangement?

- A. E
- B. A
- C. C
- D. D
- E. B

24. Which of the following will be the **First** sentence after rearrangement?

- A. D
- B. F
- C. A
- D. E
- E. B

25. Which of the following words will fill the blank in sentence B?

- A. Allotted
- B. Divided
- C. Utilized
- D. Collected
- E. Embraced

Direction (26 – 30) : In the following passage, there are blanks each of which has been numbered. These numbers correspond to the question numbers; against each question, five words have been suggested, one of which fills the blanks appropriately.

The events and happenings in the two constituencies differed in degree, and not in type, from what occurred elsewhere in the State. As reports from different parts of Tamil Nadu suggested, there were few constitutencies if any, that were totally free of the (###Q1###), influence of money and other inducements. Therefore, the EC's action in these two

constituencies may be (###Q2###) as one that did little but carried symbolic weight. A Commission with better resources and more manpower on the ground for the entire State — not to mention much greater courage — may have considered (###Q3###) of the entire Assembly election. But such a drastic course of action would have had serious ramifications for the democratic process. Even so, it must be granted that the EC went well beyond merely delivering a mild (###Q4###) to the parties. Its detailed order clearly recorded its displeasure with Tamil Nadu Governor K. Rosaiah, who broke both convention and propriety by asking that the polls be held before June 1, or in time for the Rajya Sabha election. In doing so, the EC underlined its independence and authority and signalled that it would not be (###Q5###) down by political pressure. In taking on the Governor for his overreach and refusing to quietly acquiesce in this matter, the EC deserves to be commended.

26. Find out the appropriate word/phrase in each case.

- A. claimed
- B. pernicious
- C. cautioned
- D. helpful
- E. innocuous

27. Find out the appropriate word/phrase in each case.

- A. construed
- B. confound
- C. palpable
- D. addled
- E. bilked

28. Find out the appropriate word/phrase in each case.

- A. conclusion
- B. adjudication
- C. tenacity
- D. postponement
- E. persistence

29. Find out the appropriate word/phrase in each case.

- A. commendation
- B. reward
- C. reprimand
- D. adulation
- E. cajolery

30. Find out the appropriate word/phrase in each case.

- A. cowed
- B. encouraged
- C. emboldened
- D. gladdened
- E. inspirited

Direction: A sentence with one blank is given, indicating that something has been omitted. Choose the word/idiom that best fits in the blank making the sentence grammatically correct and meaningful.

31. The son thought of himself as a _____, but the father knew the truth: they were direct opposites if looks were not considered.

- A. Couch potato
- B. Down- to- Earth
- C. Chip off the old block
- D. Woman of her word
- E. Wet blanket

Direction: A sentence with a blank is given, indicating that something has been omitted. Choose the words that can be filled in the blank to make the sentence grammatically correct and meaningful.

32. The global economy is in a state of _____ after the 2008 economic crisis.

- A. absolution
- B. loot
- C. affluence
- D. quagmire
- E. Nuance

Direction: A sentence with one blank is given, indicating that something has been omitted. Choose the word that best fits the blank appropriately.

33. The newspaper was sued for publishing a _____ about a popular celebrity, the facts of which were all found to be incorrect.

- A. Succumb
- B. Sleazy
- C. Jaunty
- D. Canard
- E. Revelation

Direction: A sentence with one blank is given, indicating that something has been omitted. Choose the word that best fits the blank appropriately.



34. The _____ of traditional values is apparent in the large number of criminal incidents against women.
- A. Upswing
 - B. Stipulation
 - C. Decadence
 - D. Homage
 - E. None of these

Direction: A sentence with one blank is given, indicating that something has been omitted. Choose the word that best fits the blank appropriately.

35. In the absence of formal education, one is forced to do _____ jobs for their subsistence.
- A. Congenial
 - B. Menial
 - C. Remedial
 - D. Superior
 - E. Ulterior

Direction (36 – 40) : Rearrange the following seven sentences (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F) and (G) in a proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph: then answer the questions that follow.

- A) Nearly 8.5 million asylum seekers have requests pending, with Germany, Russia and the United States receiving the highest numbers of the nearly one million new claims lodged in the first half of the year.
- B) The report, based on official figures as of mid-year before the influx of refugees and migrants crossing the Mediterranean to reach Europe peaked in October, extrapolates from trends to estimate the global total.
- C) Many refugees will live in exile for years to come. In effect, if you become a refugee today your chances of going home are lower than at any time in more than 30 years.
- D) 2015 is on track to see worldwide forced displacement exceeding 60 million for the first time, 1 in every 122 humans is today someone who has been forced to flee their homes. The total figure at the end of 2014 was 59.5 million.
- E) An estimated 34 million people were internally displaced as of mid-year, about 2 million more than the same time in 2010. Yemen, where civil war erupted in March, reported the highest number of newly uprooted people at 9,33,500.

- F) The number of people forcibly displaced worldwide is likely to have “far surpassed” a record 60 million this year, mainly driven by the Syrian war and other protracted conflicts, the United Nations said.
- G) Developing countries boarding conflict zones still host the lion’s share of the refugees, the report said, warning about growing “resentment” and “politicization of refugees”.

36. Which of the following will be the last sentence?
- A. A
 - B. B
 - C. C
 - D. D
 - E. E

37. Which of the following will be the first sentence?
- A. A
 - B. B
 - C. C
 - D. D
 - E. F

38. Which of the following will be the third sentence?
- A. A
 - B. B
 - C. C
 - D. D
 - E. E

39. Which of the following will be the fourth sentence?
- A. A
 - B. B
 - C. C
 - D. D
 - E. E

40. Which of the following will the second sentence?
- A. A
 - B. B
 - C. C
 - D. D
 - E. E

Direction (41 – 45) : In the following passage, there are blanks each of which has been numbered. These numbers correspond to the question numbers; against each question, five words have been suggested, one of which fills the blanks appropriately.

Another season of the HBO series Game of Thrones has just come to an epic end, leaving a mammoth television audience — and millions of netizens with a



pendant for the illicit happiness of near-real-time downloads — with a long, painful wait until they can start marking their calendar for the (**###Q1###**) to the next. Over six seasons, the adaptation of George R.R. Martin’s A Song of Ice and Fire has gripped the global imagination with its tapestry of history, mythology and (**###Q2###**). It has become the pop culture phenomenon of this decade since its debut in 2011, sparking feverish speculation about the cast and characters through the (**###Q3###**) period between one season and the other — U.S. President Barack Obama was among the legions who wanted to know if Jon Snow, a much-loved protagonist who ostensibly gets fatally stabbed in the Season 5 finale, would get ‘resurrected’. (Spoiler alert: he was.) In fact, in its latest season the show took Martin’s epic fantasy series into unmapped plot lines. With 26 (**###Q4###**) Emmy Awards and counting, with at least two more seasons planned, and an official viewership figure of 8.9 million for the Season 6 grand finale, what explains GoT’s critical success and phenomenal popularity? It all boils down to quality, and sheer scale. The series has an enormous (**###Q5###**) cast portraying warring families across two fictional continents. Its shooting has taken GoT to places as far apart as Northern Ireland, Croatia, Morocco, and the U.S. And its panoramic sweep and treatment of battle sequences have eclipsed most big-screen renditions.

41. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. abide
- B. countdown
- C. cessation
- D. ending
- E. completion

42. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. verisimilitude
- B. solidity
- C. fantasy
- D. realness
- E. reality

43. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. decampment
- B. quitting
- C. permanent
- D. intervening
- E. continual

44. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. primetime
- B. deterioration
- C. devolution
- D. discomfiture
- E. destruction

45. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. negligible
- B. fragile
- C. audible
- D. zilch
- E. ensemble

Direction: In the given question, there is a statement with some words in bold. Some of the bold words are correctly used, while some are not. Pick the words which have been used correctly. If all the bold words are relevant, then option E, i.e., ‘All are correct’ is your answer.

46. I used to be an **arid** (1) green tea drinker but after I found out that the high amounts of caffeine make me **jittery** (2), I bought the herbal tea that must be **parched** (3) in hot water.

- A. Only 3
- B. Both 2 and 3
- C. Only 2
- D. Both 1 and 3
- E. All are correct

Direction: In the given question, there is a statement with some words in bold. Some of the bold words are correctly used, while some are not. Pick the words which have been used correctly. If all the bold words are relevant, then option E i.e. ‘All are correct’ is your answer.

47. In the wake of a series of incidents of **vandalism** (1), leading to the destruction of property, the Centre is **mulling** (2) a few amendments to help fix responsibility for effective **demurrer** (3) of those participating in an unlawful assembly, riot or public disorder.

- A. Only 2
- B. Only 3
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Both 2 and 3
- E. All are correct



Direction: In the given question, there is a statement with some words in bold. Some of the bold words are correctly used, while some are not. Pick the words which have been used correctly. If all the bold words are relevant, then option E i.e. 'All are correct' is your answer.

48. The only reason she's **clung (1)** to power is that a significant proportion of the electorate prefers her **rapid (2)** incompetence to the ruinous dystopia Jeremy Corbyn would **foist (3)** upon us.
A. Only 1 B. Only 2
C. Both 1 and 2 D. Both 1 and 3
E. All are correct

Direction: In the given question, there is a statement with some words in bold. Some of the bold words are correctly used, while some are not. Pick the words which have been used correctly. If all the bold words are relevant, then option E i.e. 'All are correct' is your answer.

49. India's billionaire Singh brothers, already **emancipated (1)** in one international legal battle over **alleged (2)** fraud, are being accused of "diversion, siphoning and **freehold (3)** of assets" by an investor in a lawsuit filed in the high court of Delhi.
A. Only 2 B. Both 1 and 2
C. Both 2 and 3 D. Only 3
E. All are correct

Direction: In the given question, there is a statement with some words in bold. Some of the bold words are correctly used, while some are not. Pick the words which have been used correctly. If all the bold words are relevant, then option E i.e. 'All are correct' is your answer.

50. We moved from place to place, **imbibing (1)** the nectar of different cultures, much like the **opalescent (2)** hummingbird and every time we moved, my mother started from **scratch, (3)** decorating our new home as if it were the first and only.
A. Only 1 B. Only 2
C. Only 3 D. Both 1 and 3

E. All are correct

Direction (51 – 55) : Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

I decided I was a feminist and this seemed uncomplicated to me. But my recent research has shown me that feminism has become an unpopular word. Apparently, I am among the ranks of women whose expressions are seen as too strong, too aggressive, isolating, anti-men and, unattractive. Why is the word such an uncomfortable one?

I am from Britain and think it is right that as a woman I am paid the same as my male counterparts. I think it is right that I should be able to make decisions about my own body. I think it is right that women be involved on my behalf in the policies and decision-making of my country. I think it is right that socially I am afforded the same respect as men. But sadly, I can say that there is no one country in the world where all women can expect to receive these rights.

No country in the world can yet say they have achieved gender equality.

These rights I consider to be human rights but I am one of the lucky ones. My life is a sheer privilege because my parents didn't love me less because I was born a daughter. My school did not limit me because I was a girl. My mentors didn't assume I would go less far because I might give birth to a child one day. These influencers were the gender equality ambassadors that made me who I am today. They may not know it, but they are the inadvertent feminists who are changing the world today. And we need more of those.

And if you still hate the word—it is not the word that is important but the idea and the ambition behind it. Because not all women have been afforded the same rights that I have. In fact, statistically, very few have been.

In 1995, Hilary Clinton made a famous speech in Beijing about women's rights. Sadly, many of the things she wanted to change are still a reality today.



But what stood out for me the most was that only 30 per cent of her audience were male. How can we affect change in the world when only half of it is invited or feel welcome to participate in the conversation?

Men—I would like to take this opportunity to extend your formal invitation. Gender equality is your issue too.

-See <https://www.unwomen.org/en/news/stories/2014/9/emma-watson-gender-equality-is-your-issue-too#sthash.sUcJYxPg.dpuf> more at:

51. Why can't all women afford the same rights of feminism today?

- A. Because of the patriarchal society
- B. Because feminism is involved with anti-men notion
- C. Because not everyone advocates for women's rights
- D. Because feminism is complicated
- E. Because feminism is an overrated topic

52. What is the difference between Gender Equality and Feminism?

- A. Feminism puts women at the top of the hierarchy since they give birth to the next generation.
- B. Feminism and Gender Equality are inter-related
- C. Feminism is an anti-men movement
- D. Both B and C

E. None of the above

53. Why is Feminism an issue for men too?

- A. Because men think they are incapable of leading the world
- B. Because men think women are more capable of leading the world
- C. Because every individual should have equal rights
- D. Because feminism directly involves men
- E. None of the above

54. Why can't any country in the world yet say they have achieved gender equality?

- A. Because women are still restricted
- B. Because women are better in household works
- C. Because world leaders are misogynist
- D. Because the reports show it clearly
- E. All of the mentioned

55. "Only 30 per cent of her audience were male". Why?

- A. Feminism is an anti-men movement
- B. Feminism is preached wrong
- C. Most men are misogynist
- D. Most men see through the problem
- E. All of the above

###ANSWERS###

1. Ans. B.

It can be logically deduced that the grease is on the surface of the floor. Hence, options A, D and E can be eliminated on the basis of the second word of the pairs.

'take the grease' is a less apt and ambiguous construction.

Scour off means clean or brighten the surface of (something) by rubbing it hard, typically with an abrasive or detergent/ remove (dirt or unwanted matter) by scouring.

Hence, option B is the correct answer.

2. Ans. A.

The use of the word 'but' suggests that the first filler should be something which means only. Corresponding to that we have merely and only in the options. Corresponding to the word 'satisfaction' is the word 'contentment' so we drop the option with the word 'only', instead go with 'merely, contentment.'

3. Ans. D.

Hunger relates to satiety or satisfaction. The need for power is something which is never satisfied. Hence, we go with 'insatiable' and 'contain'. Option D is the correct answer.

Contain means restrain

Accumulative means gathering or growing by gradual increases.

Subsume means to include or absorb (something) in something else.

Enormous means very large in size, quantity, or extent.

Empowering means to give (someone) the authority or power to do something.

Delegate means to entrust (a task or responsibility) to another person, typically one who is less senior than oneself.

Evolutionary means relating to the gradual development of something.

Rationalize means to attempt to explain or justify (behaviour or an attitude) with logical reasons, even if these are not appropriate.

4. Ans. D.

Since the parents have approached the high court, some negative incident must

have happened. Hence, options A, B and E can be ruled out.

"Annul" means declare invalid (an official agreement, decision, or result).

"Stay" means stop, delay, or prevent (something), in particular suspend or postpone (judicial proceedings) or refrain from pressing (charges).

"Stay" is a better fit in case of judicial matters. Hence option D is the most suitable response.

5. Ans. A.

Looking at the options, we can deduce that the first blank requires a noun to imply a rise/fall in the amount of rice production. This leaves only 'increase' and 'decrease' as valid options. Now, the context of the sentence is that although there was a change in amount of rice production, the income of the overlords failed to keep pace. This means it fell short of the required amount, which is aptly indicated by 'expenses'.

So, the correct answer is option A.

6. Ans. B.

'comforts' is the most suitable response. Prior statements explain that the sparrow couple had made a very comfortable nest for themselves and enjoyed living in it. 'comforts', here, means a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint. Thus, it is the correct response.

7. Ans. D.

'drenched' is the most suitable response. It means wet thoroughly; soak. Since it is written in the prior statements that it was raining outside and the monkey had come to the tree to take shelter, 'drenched' fits in aptly.

8. Ans. B.

Since the monkey was all wet and it was raining heavily and he had no place to seek a shelter, he was not in a good mood. So when the female sparrow advised him to create a shelter for himself, he got more angry as the female sparrow appeared evil or morally wrong to him. Corresponding to it, 'wicked' is the most suitable response.

9. Ans. C.



'May' is used to show a possibility and not a mandatory action. Here the context is clearly about a compulsion and thus 'must' be used instead.

So, option C is the correct response.

10. Ans. A.

The correct phrase is 'flying start', which means 'a good beginning'. Hence, option A is the correct replacement.

11. Ans. B.

The correct phrase is 'fine tooth comb', which is used as a reference to very detailed analysis.

12. Ans. E.

in the way suggests some impediment, obstruction or the like.

The given sentence is correct as it is and no change is required. Option E is the correct answer.

13. Ans. A.

The action in the statement occurred in the past. Hence, the action in relation to it must have been taken in the past. Thus, simple past form of "choose" (chose) should be used. Therefore, option A is the correct answer.

14. Ans. C.

'sciences' fits well with philosophies. Hence, it is the most suitable response.

15. Ans. E.

A monkey's movement on the tree is best described by the word 'climb', hence 'climbed' is the most suitable response.

16. Ans. E.

It has been mentioned in the last part of the passage that during the industrial revolution, the control over education was shifted to the rich merchant class. This has not been mentioned in the options, so the correct response here would be option E.

17. Ans. E.

The Divine Right of King stipulates that the right of governing is conferred upon kings by god.

This is mentioned in the option C but is not mentioned in the passage, so the correct response is option E.

18. Ans. B.

This phrase has been used to signify the meaning of education being under the complete control of those who hold

power. So, option B is the most appropriate response.

19. Ans. B.

During the Renaissance, education passed more from the clutches of the priest into the hand of the prince.

'Prince' has been used a symbolic representation of the royals i.e. kings and monarchs.

20. Ans. C.

Infallibility is the ability that means that a person is not prone to making mistakes and failing.

21. Ans. B.

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Note that sentence C ends with the name of an institution, "Information Commissioner's Office", which is said to have released the 16-point list of recommendations. Now, the pronoun "It" in sentence E, would refer to nothing else but the institution. Thus, C and E form a pair. Sentence B also talks about one of the "other" recommendations "under the ICO's proposed code of practice", thus, the sentence should follow E.

Now, between A and F, the former follows the latter. F talks about one of the provisions under the code proposed by the Information Commissioner's Office and must follow B. Sentence A states the views of the information commissioner, who lauds the "code". A, thus, acts as the concluding sentence.

The correct sequence is DCEBFA.

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25. Ans. D.

The concerned sentence talks about one of the recommendations under the ICO's proposed code to improve child internet safety in the UK. It mentions the actions taken on the personal data of children.



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The blank is followed by a comma and the words "used and shared". So, option C can be eliminated as it mentions the synonym of "used", the usage of which would make the sentence redundant. Among all the other options, "collected" is the most appropriate choice with reference to "data" in the given context. Thus, option D is the correct answer.

Embraced => accept (a belief, theory, or change) willingly and enthusiastically.

26. Ans. B.

The given segment, 'totally free of the _____ influence of money' suggests that the word in the blank must impart a negative context to the entire segment. Hence, helpful is a clear misfit.

Claimed influence of money doesn't fit contextually.

Cautioned indicates prior warning which makes the word a misfit in the context.

Innocuous means not harmful or offensive.

Pernicious means having a harmful effect, especially in a gradual or subtle way.

Hence, pernicious is the correct answer.

27. Ans. A.

The given segment 'the EC's action in these two constituencies may be _____ as one that' indicates that the part after the blank explains the action. Hence, the word in the blank must mean something which joins the subject and its explanation.

Construed means deduced or explained.

Confound means amaze or astonish.

Palpable means noticeable.

Addled means confused.

Bilked means cheated.

Hence, construed is the correct answer.

28. Ans. D.

The segment 'may have considered _____ of the entire Assembly election. But such a drastic course of action'

It is clear from the structure that the word in the blank represents the course of action that is being talked about in the following sentence.

Conclusion doesn't specify an action in the context; hence it can be eliminated.

Adjudication means a formal judgment on a disputed matter.

Tenacity means determination.

Persistence means determination.

Postponement means the action of postponing something; deferral. Postponement of an action can have serious consequences; hence it fits the context.

Hence, postponement is the correct answer.

29. Ans. C.

To answer this question, it is important to understand the entire context. The statement following 'well beyond merely delivering a mild _____ to the parties' states that the EC clearly expressed its displeasure and is related to the given segment. This indicates that the word in the blank along with 'mild' refers to the expression of displeasure.

Hence, reward doesn't fit in.

Commendation means formal or official praise.

Reprimand means an oral punishment/ blaming/ scolding.

Adulation means excessive admiration or praise.

Cajolery means coaxing or flattery intended to persuade someone to do something.

Hence, reprimand is the correct answer.

30. Ans. A.

It is clear from the former part of the segment 'the EC underlined its independence and authority and signalled that it would not be _____ down by political pressure' that the EC refused to be dominated and advocated independence. This means that the word in the blank must convey submission or subservience.

Cowed means bullied. Cowed down indicates that the EC refused to be bullied or frightened.

Encouraged down doesn't make sense.

Embolden means to give (someone) the courage or confidence to do something.

Gladdened means delighted

Inspired means encouraged.

Hence, cowed is the correct answer.

31. Ans. C.

The meanings of the given idioms are as follows:

A. Couch potato- a lazy person who spends a lot of time sitting down or lying down.

B. Down-to-Earth- a practical, sensible, and realistic person.

C. Chip off the old block- someone who is very similar in character to their father or mother.

D. Woman of her word- a person you can trust because they tell the truth and keep promises.

E. Wet blanket- a person who discourages fun or enjoyment for other people.

The sentence implies that the father and son were of opposite nature even when the son considered otherwise.

The other idioms are less likely to fit as they would not represent the relationship between the first and the second sentence. "Down-to-Earth" must be used as an adjective (that is, it must be followed by a noun like "person") and not as a noun.

So, the correct answer is option C.

32. Ans. D.

The meaning of the following words are:
Absolution = formal release from guilt, obligation, or punishment.

Loot = related to stealing both as a noun as well as a verb

Affluence = the state of having a great deal of money; wealth.

Nuance=a subtle difference in or shade of meaning, expression, or sound.

Quagmire = a situation from which it is hard to escape, an awkward, complex, or hazardous situation.

Since the latter half states crisis, "affluence" can't be chosen as the answer (keeping in mind only the given context).

Hence, "quagmire" is the correct answer.

33. Ans. D.

We need a noun after the article 'a'.

Succumb- submit.

Sleazy- immoral.

Jaunty- cheerful.

Canard- a false or misleading report or story.

Revelation- a surprising and previously unknown fact that has been disclosed to others.

If a newspaper publishes a false story about a person, it will be sued. Thus,

"canard" fits appropriately in the blank. So, the correct answer is option D.

34. Ans. C.

Criminal incidents against women are extremely negative things. It definitely hampers traditional values. Thus, "decadence" fits the blank as it refers to the state of moral or artistic decline or deterioration.

Upswing- an increase in strength or quantity

Stipulation- condition

Homage- respect

35. Ans. B.

The former half of the sentence indicates a negative context. In the absence of something, a person will be forced by the circumstances to accept whatever comes his/her way.

Congenial means (of a person) pleasing or liked on account of having qualities or interests that are similar to one's own.

Menial means (of work) not requiring much skill and lacking prestige.

Remedial means giving or intended as a remedy or cure.

Superior means higher in rank, status, or quality.

Ulterior means existing beyond what is obvious or admitted; intentionally hidden.

Hence, menial is the correct answer.

36. Ans. C.

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A is the next statement as it further elaborates on the issue of displacement stating the facts and figures.

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41. Ans. B.

Abide means to accept or act in accordance with (a rule, decision, or recommendation).

Countdown means the period of time leading up to a significant event and the procedures carried out during this time.

Cessation means the fact or process of ending or being brought to an end.

The context is of the time gap between the subsequent seasons of the serial. 'Countdown' is a related term and the only suitable one in the given context.

42. Ans. C.

Verisimilitude means the appearance of being true or real.

Solidity means the quality or state of being firm or strong in structure.

Fantasy means the faculty or activity of imagining impossible or improbable things.

The context is of a serial that shown events and entities that are not possible to be found in general, 'fantasy' can be considered to give this idea and thus is the correct response.

43. Ans. D.



Decampment means the act or an instance of escaping, as from confinement or difficulty: break, breakout, escape, escapement, flight, getaway.

Quitting means to behave in a specified way.

Intervening means to occur in the time between events.

Continual means forming a sequence in which the same action or event is repeated frequently.

The context is of the time that falls between two consecutive seasons, thus 'intervening'; is the best response.

44. Ans. A.

Primetime means the time at which a radio or television audience is expected to be at its highest.

Deterioration means the process of becoming progressively worse.

Devolution means the transfer or delegation of power to a lower level, especially by central government to local or regional administration.

Discomfiture means a feeling of unease or embarrassment; awkwardness.

This blank is basically based on picking the most suitable response in context of the statement. The context is of the serial winning a lot of awards, which is obviously a positive thing. Neither of the options except option A is in the positive tone, thus the correct response is option A.

45. Ans. E.

Negligible means so small or unimportant as to be not worth considering; insignificant.

Fragile means easily destroyed or threatened.

Audible means able to be heard.

Zilch means not any; no.

Ensemble means a group of items viewed as a whole rather than individually.

Here, the context is of the collection of exemplary artists and thus the correct response would 'ensemble'.

46. Ans. C.

(1): Arid is an adjective which means lacking in interest, excitement, or meaning. This does not fit with the context of the sentence. Instead, it

should be replaced by a word which means addictive or keen interest or enthusiasm for green tea.

(2): Jittery is an adjective which means nervous or unable to relax. Thus, this word is correctly used in the context of the sentence.

(3): Parched means to make or to become dry through intense heat. 'Parched in hot water' makes no sense. It should be replaced by a word which means 'soaked'. Thus, apart from the word "soaked", "infusion" can also be used.

The correct word usage would be avid, jittery and steeped respectively to give proper meaning to the statement.

Therefore, option C is the apt answer.

47. Ans. C.

(1): Vandalism is a noun which is an action involving deliberate destruction of or damage to public or private property. From 'leading to the destruction of property,' one can decipher that this word is correctly used.

(2): Mulling is a verb which means to think about something deeply and at length. From 'a few amendments to help fix responsibility,' one can decipher that this word is correctly used.

(3): A demurrer is a pleading in a lawsuit that objects to or challenges a pleading filed by an opposing party. The word 'demur' means "to object"; a demurrer is a document that makes the objection. One can clearly decipher from the sentence that the word here should mean 'conducting of legal proceedings against someone in respect of a criminal charge.' The correct word usage would be vandalism, mulling and prosecution respectively to give proper meaning to the statement.

Therefore, option C is the apt answer.

48. Ans. D.

(1): Clung is a verb which means to hold on tightly to something. The lady who is referred in the sentence is holding power because a significant proportion of the electorate prefers her. Thus, this word is correctly used.

(2): Rapid is an adjective which means something happening in a short time or

at a great rate. Incompetence is a noun which means inability to do something successfully; ineptitude. Thus, 'rapid incompetence' makes no sense.

(3): Foist is a verb which means to impose an unwelcome or unnecessary person or thing on someone or something. From 'the ruinous dystopia,' one can decipher that this word is correctly used.

The correct word usage would be clung, vapid and foist respectively to give proper meaning to the statement.

Therefore, option D is the apt answer.

49. Ans. A.

(1): Emancipated is a verb which means to set free, especially from legal, social, or political restrictions. Thus, it does not fit with the context of the sentence and should be replaced by a word which means 'involved.'

(2): Alleged refers to a claim or assert that someone has done something illegal or wrong, typically without proof. Thus, this word is correctly used.

(3): Freehold is a noun which means a permanent and absolute tenure of land or property with the freedom to dispose of it at will. Diversion refers to the action of turning something aside from its course. Siphoning means to draw off or transfer over a period of time, especially illegally or unfairly. Diversion and siphoning are seemed to be synonyms of each other. Thus, freehold does not fit into the context and should be replaced by a word which means 'depart or departure.'

The correct word usage would be embroiled, alleged and digression respectively to give proper meaning to the statement.

Therefore, option D is the apt answer.

50. Ans. E.

(1): Imbibing is a verb which means to absorb or assimilate ideas or knowledge. From 'the nectar of different cultures,' one can decipher that this word is correctly used.

(2): Opalescent is an adjective which means having a play of lustrous rainbow colours. From 'hummingbird,' whose feathers come in a wide variety of colours and appear to have multiple tones and an

iridescent glow, one can decipher that this word is correctly used.

(3): To start from scratch is to begin from the beginning, to set out on some action or process without any prior preparation, knowledge or advantage. Thus, this word is also correct in the context of the sentence.

Therefore, option E is the apt answer.

51. Ans. C.

As mentioned in the passage, our narrator was never considered fragile, weaker than boys by her parents or her other mentors. But not everyone in the society is blessed with such mentality, that's why our narrator considers herself privileged than most other women in the world. There is a section of population who put restrictions on women's education, outfits, prerogatives. Some men even consider women as mere slaves/ sex slaves. Thus, not all women can afford the same rights of feminism today. But it needs to change.

52. Ans. B.

Feminism, as what it reads doesn't mean putting the women on top of the hierarchy. Neither it is an anti-men movement. The sole idea of feminism is that men and women are equal and they have equal rights in every strata of life. Feminism discourages the idea of differentiation based on the differences of genders. Thus Feminism and Gender quality are inter related.

53. Ans. C.

Feminism is preached wrong. Feminism is not an anti-men movement. It deals with gender equality and discourages the idea of differentiation based on gender differences. Every single human deserves to have equal rights and as the most evolved race it is our responsibility to take care of each other, respect each other and make the world a better place.

54. Ans. A.

Some people still believe in patriarchy and put restrictions on women's education, outfits, prerogatives. So, women instead of being adroit in their respective forte are sometimes neglected. Thankfully, some women are



breaking barriers and inspiring others to do so.

55. Ans. B.

Feminism is not an anti-men movement. Sometimes women preach feminism wrong by attacking and mud-slinging men considering feminism a shield of

protection. Some people think Feminism is about putting women on the top of the hierarchy. Instead it actually supports gender equality.

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