

IBPS PO 2020 Para Jumble & Cloze Test Questions PDF



Direction (1 – 5) : The following question carries four statements, each of which have been jumbled. You have to rearrange these sentences in the correct order and answer the questions that follow.

1) culture, most of Millenials would (A)/ time to pay attention to their health (B)/ the findings suggest that in today's work (C)/ rather be seen working to no end instead of taking the (D)

2) perceived as less productive, hard-working and weak (A)/ lunch breaks is that they are afraid of being (B)/ reason millennials refrain from taking (C)/ the survey also revealed that the (D)

3) of a survey by a company (A)/ according to the results (B)/ afraid of taking lunch breaks at work (C)/ called Tork, millennials are (D)

4) let a basic necessity like (A)/ they're not ready to (B)/ professional reputation and advancement (C)/ food come between their (D)

1. What should be the correct sequence of statement 1?

- A. CDAB
- B. BACD
- C. ACDB
- D. ADCB
- E. CADB

2. What should be the correct sequence of statement 2?

- A. DCBA
- B. CDBA
- C. BADC
- D. ADCB
- E. DBCA

3. What should be the correct sequence of statement 3?

- A. BACD
- B. DCBA
- C. BADC
- D. ADCB
- E. DBAC

4. What should be the correct sequence of statement 4?

- A. DCAB
- B. BACD

- C. ACDB
- D. BADC
- E. DBAC

5. All the given sentences, when rearranged, form a coherent paragraph. From the given options choose the one which represents the correct order of the sentences?

- A. 3214
- B. 4213
- C. 1342
- D. 2341
- E. None of the above

Direction (6 – 10) : Rearrange the following six sentences A, B, C, D, E and F in a proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph and then answer the questions that follow.

A. If China is the world's factory, India has become the world's outsourcing center – keeping in line with this image

B. But India's future depends critically on its compete fully in the creative economy – not just in technology and software, but across design and entrepreneurship; arts, culture and entertainment; and the knowledge-based professions of medicine, finance and law.

C. While its creative assets outstrip those of other emerging competitors, India must address several challenges to increase its international competitiveness as the world is in the midst of a sweeping transformation.

D. This transformation is evident in the fact that the world is moving from an industrial economy to a creative economy that generates wealth by harnessing intellectual labour, intangible goods and human creative capabilities.

E. Its software industry is the world's second-largest, its technology outsourcing accounts for more than half of the \$300 billion global industry, according to a technology expert.

F. If the meeting of world leaders at Davos is any indication, India is rapidly becoming an economic 'rock star'.

6. Which of the following should be the SIXTH sentence after rearrangement?

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

7. Which of the following should be the THIRD sentence after rearrangement?

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

8. Which of the following should be the FIFTH sentence after rearrangement?

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

9. Which of the following should be the FIRST sentence after rearrangement?

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

10. Which of the following should be the SECOND sentence after rearrangement?

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

Direction (11 – 15) : Rearrange the following six sentences A, B, C, D, E and F in a proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph and then answer the questions given below.

A. It is a programming language, which inherits its object-oriented features from C++.

B. Java has a slogan that is 'write once, compile once, and run anywhere'.

C. This slogan means once a program is compiled and run successfully on a platform then that program can easily be executed on any other operating system.

D. It was developed in 1991 and was first called Oak.

E. The name got changed to Java in 1995, when it was first released for public use.

F. Java is a platform-independent, object-oriented programming language originally developed by Sun Microsystems and now owned by Oracle.

11. Which of the following should be the FIRST sentence after rearrangement?

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

12. Which of the following should be the FOURTH sentence after rearrangement?

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

13. Which of the following should be the THIRD sentence after rearrangement?

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

14. Which of the following should be the SECOND sentence after rearrangement?

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

15. Which of the following should be the FIFTH sentence after rearrangement?

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

Direction (16 – 20) : 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 are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately.

The issue of triple talaq is definitely (###Q1###) in India. For decades, many Muslim women activists have been (###Q2###) in a struggle to change discriminatory family laws. The agenda had been holistic, covering (###Q3###) only one form of talaq but traditions like halala and polygamy and demanding a more comprehensive 'gender just law'. The intention was to (###Q4###) Muslim women into the gamut of secular family laws, which are applicable to all other women from all (###Q5###) in India. However, the current act is a far cry from such an objection.

16. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. Superficial
- B. Unreal
- C. Real
- D. Focus
- E. Bogus

17. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. Engaged
- B. Avoiding
- C. Planning
- D. Planned
- E. Tussle

18. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. Just
- B. The
- C. Mere
- D. Merely
- E. Not

19. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. Remove
- B. Bring
- C. Escape
- D. Add
- E. Getting

20. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

- A. Regions
- B. States
- C. Castes
- D. Religions
- E. Origins

Direction (21 – 25) : 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 are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately.

The reservoir storage (###Q1###) from rain can support irrigated wheat, rice, and sugarcane. There is no deficit on the west coast, so reservoirs will get filled up. We need to worry about the yield of rain-fed areas of pulses, oilseeds and cereals. Crops need at least 70 mm of rain to ensure (###Q2###) soil moisture for sowing to take place. We are preparing a crop calendar, by observing when sowing actually happens for a particular crop in a district. Once we put a (###Q3###) crop calendar in our advisory support system, we can tell which week up to the 13th week (normal crop cycle), the crop needs (###Q4###) rainfall and whether it's likely to happen or not. If there is forecast of a dry spell and soil moisture is not expected to last that long, then we can advocate supplementary irrigation locally. IMD (###Q5###) the soil moisture daily and predicts the soil moisture for the next 10 days based on the rainfall forecast.

21. Find the appropriate word in each case.

- A. Inflow
- B. Inside
- C. Volume
- D. Increase
- E. Exodus

22. Find the appropriate word in each case.

- A. Exorbitant
- B. Far
- C. Enough
- D. Scarce

E. Want

23. Find the appropriate word in each case.

- A. Arbitrary
- B. Static
- C. Clumsy
- D. Dynamic
- E. Elegant

24. Find the appropriate word in each case.

- A. Smart
- B. Mandatory
- C. Evaluates
- D. Forced
- E. Inevitable

25. Find the appropriate word in each case.

- A. Evaluates
- B. Deducts
- C. Deciphers
- D. Reports
- E. Revises

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.

A guillotine is an apparatus designed for efficiently (###Q1###) by beheading. The device consists of a tall, upright frame in which a weighted and angled blade is raised to the top and suspended. The condemned person is secured with stocks at the bottom of the frame, positioning the neck directly below the blade. The blade is then released, to quickly (###Q2###) decapitate the victim with a single, clean pass so that the head falls into a basket below. The device is best known for its use in France, in particular during the French Revolution, (###Q3###) as the people's avenger by supporters of the revolution (###Q4###) the pre-eminent symbol of the Reign of Terror by

opponents. The name dates from this period, but similar devices had been used elsewhere in Europe over several centuries. The display of severed heads had long been one of the most common ways a European (###Q5###) its power to its subjects.

26. Find the appropriate phrase in each case.

- A. Carrying out executions
- B. Implementing laws and orders
- C. Ratifying agreements
- D. Paying patronage
- E. Solving computational problems

27. Find the appropriate phrase in each case.

- A. Trot and gently
- B. Slide and unexpectedly
- C. Drop and gradually
- D. Rise and vigorously
- E. Fall and forcefully

28. Find the appropriate phrase in each case.

- A. As to where it was condemned
- B. When it was obscured
- C. Where it was celebrated
- D. Where it was obliterated
- E. When it were caroused

29. Find the appropriate phrase in each case.

- A. And praised as
- B. And vilified as
- C. And were renowned
- D. And libeled as
- E. And indeed was underpinned

30. Find the appropriate phrase in each case.

- A. Authority made
- B. Autocracy rose
- C. Regiment showed
- D. Sovereignty displayed
- E. Legion reminded

###ANSWERS###

1. Ans. E.

The correct logical order is CADB. The only possible part which can start the sentence is C. C will be followed by A, thus forming the compound noun 'work culture'.

The correct sentence is:

The findings suggest that in today's work culture, most of us would rather be seen working to no end instead of taking the time to pay attention to our health.

2. Ans. A.

The correct logical order is DCBA. The only possible part which can start the sentence is D. BA is a mandatory pair as it completes the 'being + participle' structure. Among the given options, only A agrees to the deductions.

The correct sentence is:

The survey also revealed that the reason millennials refrain from taking lunch breaks is that they are afraid of being perceived as less productive, hard-working and weak.

3. Ans. C.

The correct logical order is BADC. The sentence mentions a very particular subject 'Tork', the possible name of a company. So, A will precede D. Part A mentions the phrase 'of a survey', implying something related to the survey. A feasible option to precede A is B which states 'according to the results'. C will aptly follow D. The correct sentence is: According to the results of a survey by a company called Tork, millennials are afraid of taking lunch breaks at work.

4. Ans. D.

The correct logical order is BADC. Part D uses the preposition 'between' which is used to indicate a connection or relationship involving two or more parties. The two entities have been mentioned in C. SO, DC is a mandatory pair. The usual grammatical usage involving let is "Subject + let + object + bare infinitive". Keeping this in mind we can conclude that D will come after A, "let a basic necessity like food come". Only option D has the combination ADC.

The correct sentence is:

We're not ready to let a basic necessity like food come between our professional reputation and advancement.

5. Ans. A.

The correct logical order is 3214. The passage is about a study on the habit of millennials avoiding lunch. The most appropriate sentence to start the paragraph is 3, which introduces "the survey". 3 will be followed by 2 which mentions 'the study also reveals'. 2 further mentions 'that they are afraid they might be perceived as less productive, hard-working and weak'. The same line of thought has been mentioned in 1 which states 'most of us would rather be seen working to no end'. 4 is the most appropriate concluding sentence.

6. Ans. D.

Arranging sentences in an order requires the identification of the main theme and its related context. The first statement should be 'F' as it highlights the issue being talked about. Statement 'A' should follow as it is a continuing statement to F (can be made out by the use of the words 'in line with this image'). The 'outsourcing' mentioned in the statement A is further continued in 'E' hence it follows. It is followed by statement 'B' (represents a conditional situation due to the use of the word 'but'). It is followed by statement 'C' as 'creative assets' have been continued. The last statement should be 'D' since it is a sum up of the entire thing. (the statement says 'this transformation' and 'industrial to creative economy')

So, the correct sequence is FAEBDC.

Therefore, the correct answer is option D.

7. Ans. E.

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So, the correct sequence is FAEB CD.

Therefore, the correct answer is option E.

8. Ans. C.

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So, the correct sequence is FAEB CD.

Therefore, the correct answer is option C.

9. Ans. A.

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So, the correct sequence is FAEB CD.

Therefore, the correct answer is option A.

10. Ans. A.

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So, the correct sequence is FAEB CD.

Therefore, the correct answer is option A.

11. Ans. C.

Refer to the last question of the series.

12. Ans. A.

Refer to the last question of the series.

13. Ans. A.

Refer to the last question of the series.

14. Ans. E.

Refer to the last question of the series.

15. Ans. E.

When arranging sentences into a paragraph one must draft an overview of what the given statements say. Here, we can make out that the resultant paragraph should be about JAVA language. Thus, the first statement should be about the introduction of the language, hence statement F is the first sentence. Following it is a continuing statement which talks about the language's name, hence statement D follows. Since we have talked about name in this statement, statement E which also runs on the same line follows. Statement A follows E as it gives a brief one line information about the subject. The remaining two statements are about slogan. Statement E begins with 'this slogan' which means we first need to place the statement which introduces the

slogan. So statements B and C follow respectively.

Hence, the correct sequence is FDEABC.

16. Ans. C.

We need an appropriate word indicating reality of the issue of triple talaq in India. As per context of the passage many Muslim women activists have been struggling to change discriminatory family laws. Thus, options A, B and E get eliminated. 'Focus' is contextually meaningful but grammatically incorrect for the blank. Word 'real' makes the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, option C is the correct answer.

17. Ans. A.

We need an appropriate verb (V3) for the blank, eliminating options B, C and E. 'Planned' is contextually incorrect as 'planned in struggle' is meaningless. 'Engaged' makes the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, option A is the correct answer.

18. Ans. E.

We need an appropriate adverb for the blank, eliminating options B & C. In the sentence it has been stated that agenda of struggle included traditions of polygamy and halala in addition to triple talaq. Thus, in above context, 'not' is the correct choice for the blank. Hence, option E is the correct answer.

19. Ans. B.

'Gamut of secular family laws' means the complete range or scope of secular family laws. As per context of the passage, intention of struggling Muslim women activists was to cover Muslim women under scope of secular family laws. Thus, options A & C get eliminated. 'Add' and 'Getting' are grammatically incorrect. 'Bring' makes the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, option B is the correct answer.

20. Ans. D.

The passage is about family laws covering Muslim women. Aspect of religion has been covered. Thus, 'religion' makes the sentence contextually correct. Hence, option D is the correct answer.

21. Ans. A.

'Inflow' means the action of anything coming in or arriving at some place. Using this word would imply the **incoming rainwater** can be stored in reservoirs.

Exodus: a mass departure of people.

22. Ans. C.

Crops need a sufficient amount of moisture to grow. Hence, 'enough' will fit in the blank space perfectly.

Exorbitant- unreasonably high

23. Ans. D.

The context is that of a calendar which will help map the needs of the crops. Hence, the word to be filled in must have a positive connotation. Of the given words, 'elegant' and 'dynamic' are two such words. However, 'elegant' is used in relation to grace and beauty. 'Dynamic', which means lively and energetic, will fit in well here.

24. Ans. B.

The context here is that of putting up a dynamic calendar to map the requirement of the crops and what it needs. The word in the blank must be aligned with "need" and "crops". For the latter, rain is a necessary requirement. Hence, the word 'mandatory' fits in well.

25. Ans. A.

The passage talks about crops and soil. The sentence in question is saying that something in relation to the soil is being done daily. We cannot revise the soil daily but we can evaluate it on a daily basis for better productivity.

26. Ans. A.

As per the passage, it is evident that the device was used to behead people, thereby killing them. 'Solving computational problems' is contextually irrelevant. 'Ratification' is the action of signing or giving formal consent to a treaty, while 'patronage' is the support, encouragement, privilege, or financial aid that an organization or individual bestows to another. None of these fits the context. 'Implementing laws and orders' fits the blank but does not convey the complete meaning as to what the orders are. Option A, 'carrying out executions', not only fits the blank but also conveys the entire meaning. Therefore, option A is the required answer.

27. Ans. E.

As per the description of the machine, it is obvious that the blade goes down and does not rise. 'Trot' is inapt to describe its motion. Further, as the blank is preceded by 'quickly', the action can't be slow or gradual. 'Unexpected' is not contextually correct either, as the fall of the blade and the eventual consequences are expected. 'Forcefully decapitate' would mean that the person cannot escape the punishment. Therefore, option E is the required answer.

28. Ans. C.

'Obscured' is to keep from being seen; conceal. It is evident from the passage that the guillotine was used for public display and was not a hidden thing. 'Obliterate' is to destroy utterly; wipe out. Using it in the blank would imply that the supporters of the revolution (who thought guillotine to be people's avenger) destroyed it, which is contradictory in itself.

The sentence indicates that the incident took place in France, hence, a pronoun indicating place should be mentioned. Hence, options B and E can be eliminated as they have the pronoun "when" which indicates time. The phrase "as to where" is also grammatically incorrect in the given sentence, thus, A can also be eliminated. 'Celebrated' means to greatly admire something. Using it in the passage would imply that the people would mean and supported the device (which is what the passage hints at too). Therefore, option C is the required answer.

29. Ans. B.

The passage mentions that the supporters of the revolution thought of the device to be people's avenger, which implies that the other group of people was against it. Hence, 'praised' and 'renowned' can be eliminated. 'Libel' is a published false statement that is damaging to a person's reputation. It is mostly used in the context of a person. 'Underpin' is to support, justify, or form the basis for something, hence it can be eliminated as well. 'Vilified' is to speak or write about in an abusively disparaging manner. Not only does it fits the blank

grammatically but also represents the contempt of the people against it. Therefore, option B is the required answer.

30. Ans. D.

The passage talks about how the government has used beheading to display its powers. One would show or display one's power. Hence, options A, B and E can be eliminated.

'Regiment' is a unit of an army typically commanded by a lieutenant colonel and divided into several companies, squadrons, or batteries. As the passage does not talk about army or its units, this option can be eliminated as well. 'Sovereignty' is supreme power or authority. As sovereignty covers all the forms of government, therefore option D is the required answer.

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