Section : Verbal Usage & Reading Comprehension

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Question No. : 101

The policy **implementation** at our end was **lacks** of and required serious **tightening** on the part of **regulators.**

A) policy ✓B) lacks C) tightening D) regulators E) All correct

Explanation:- *'lacks' is being used incorrectly. It should be 'lacking' as the sentence is in Past Continous tense*

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Question No. : 102

My heart isn't **simple** or **straightforward,** it's a **complicated mess** of wants and needs.

A) simple B) straightforward C) complicated D) mess ✓E) All correct

Explanation:- *All correct*

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Question No. : 104

Tears **gushed** from my eyes and a **piercing pain crept** up my throat like a spider.

A) gushed B) piercing C) pain D) crept ✓E) All correct

Explanation:- *All correct*

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Question No. : 105

Gazing up into the darkness I saw myself as a creature driven and **derided** by **vanity,** and my eyes burned with **anguish** and anger.

A) Gazing B) Derided C) anity D) Anguish ✓E) All correct

Explanation:- *All correct*

DIRECTIONS for the question: *In the question, there are five sentences (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E). Four of these five sentences contribute to one main idea when these sentences are formed into a paragraph. One sentence does not contribute to that main idea. That sentence is your answer.*

Question No. : 106

Which of the following sentences does not contribute to the main idea of the paragraph?

A. Software is eating the world but we are presented with an abundance of value being generated for consumers.
B. Except that this time, there hasn't been half as much noise from, internet users- or in the media- as there was in the case of Free Basics plan.
C. As per a news article, Telecom companies wish to curb Internet speed to 64 Kbps in order to ensure fair usage.
D. While the debate around Net neutrality in the country seems to have been settled for now, Internet activists and telecom companies could be at loggerheads very soon once again.
E. This was in response to a Trai Consultation paper that recommended download speed in a broadband connection to ensure equitable access to usage.

✓A) A B) B C) C D) D E) E

Explanation:- *Statement A is the misfit as it talks about software whereas the rest of the statements talk about internet and telecom industry*

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Which of the following sentences does not contribute to the main idea of the paragraph?

A. Scientists are about to learn exactly what spending a year in space does to a person, after two astronauts returned from a

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Question No. : 108

Which of the following sentences does not contribute to the main idea of the paragraph?

A. The authorities will soon make it difficult for so-called wilful defaulters from reading fresh equity or debt from the public.
B. Bad credit loans can offer a number of advantages that can make one's life easier.
C. The move will mark yet another offset by the Government to crack down on the problem of bad loans.
D. A wilful defaulter is a company or individual who borrowed money and has no intention of paying it back.
E. The authorities will, however, allow such entities to raise funds through rights issues or share sales to institutional investors.

A) A B) B C) C D) D ✓E) E

Explanation:- *In E option, 'such entities' is mentioned and nowhere it is being talked about, so it is an odd one out.*

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Which of the following sentences does not contribute to the main idea of the paragraph?

A. Houses these days provide very limited space to develop such interests such as gardening or growing smaller farm animals.
B. Home sales rose about 15% in the October-December quarter to 78 million sq. ft. from the preceding quarter across the country's top eight property markets.
C. After a full of almost two years in the luxury residential sector, high-end developments are making a comeback in the city.
D. The country's most valuable property has been spurred by rising demand.
E. In a slightly slow market, both the pricing of the product and the project itself matter to end-users.

✓A) A B) B C) C D) D E) E

Explanation:- *All the statements talk about house selling whereas A talks about other activities.*

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Question No. : 110

Which of the following sentences does not contribute to the main idea of the paragraph?

A. From next year, two-wheelers will have to have a headlight that will light up as soon as the engine is turned on.
B. The Government has issued a notification that all new two-wheelers manufactured in the company from next year must have a provision of automatic headlamp on (AHD) like Daytime Running Lamps found on cars.
C. No horsepower figures have been released but the two wheeler manufacturer has conveyed that its new range of bikes is among the safest ones across the globe.
D. Once this system is fitted in two-wheelers, riders won't have a switch to turn the headlight off as it would be automatic.
E. Two-wheelers , without AHD, as a single category of vehicles accounted for the highest number of total road crashes (32,524) in 2014.

A) A B) B ✓C) C D) D E) E

Explanation:- *The paragraph is talking about AHD for two wheelers except option C which talks about bikes and nothing about AHD.*

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DIRECTION for the question: *Read the information given and answer the question that follows.*

Question No. : 111

In this question, there are two statements which can be combined into a single statement in a number of different ways without changing their meaning. Below them are given three probable starters (A), (B) and (C) of such a combined sentence. One, two, three or none of them may be correct. Decide upon which is/are correct, if any and mark the option which denotes your answer. If none of the three starters is suitable mark none as your answer

The most common measure of inequality in the Gini co-efficient where a score of zero means perfect equality and a score of one means that one person gets everything. In only one large country, Brazil, has the co-efficient come down from 0.59 to 0.55.

A. Brazil is the only one large .... B. Being the most common measure.... C. Though a score of zero....

A) Only(A)&(B) B) Only (B)&(C) C) All (A), (B) & (C) D) Only (A) ✓E) None

Explanation:- *In this, only option C fits in best but it is not in the option, so option 5 is the best choice.*

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In 1960, Jacques Piccard, a Swiss Oceanographer, and Don Walsh reached the floor of the Mariana Trench, the Ocean's deepest point, of the Pacific Island of Guam,. It is nearly 11,000 metres down, for comparison Mount Everest rises 8,848 metres.

A. While in 1980 Jacques B. In comparison to Mount Everest C. Located off the Pacific Island, Guam....

A) Only(A) & (B) B) Only (B) C) Only (C) ✓D) Only (B) & (C) E) None

Explanation:- *Only B and C can be the probable starters which would not change the meaning.*

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In Britain housing associations got going in the mid 19th century but became really important in the 1980s when the government used them as an alternative to council owned housing. Responsive to local needs, housing associating could also borrow without adding to public debt.

A. Housing associations responsive.... B. Though the government saw.... C. In the mid 19th century....

A) Only(A) & (C) B) Only (B) C) Only (A) ✓D) All (A), (B) & (C) E) None

Explanation:- *All options can be used to join sentences.*

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While the need for rural electrification was recognised in the 1950s, the first major initiative was the establishment of the Rural Electric Corporation in 1969. Its main objective is to finance and promote rural electrification all over the country.

A. Though the need.... B. Establishing the rural electrification .... C. Rural electrification was....

A) Only(A) & (C) ✓B) Only (A) & (B) C) All (A), (B) & (C) D) Only (C) E) None

Explanation:- *Only A and B can be used as starters.*

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Many CEOs particularly in America take the view that the best view to contribute to the common good is to succeed as businesses. Furthermore, they feel that more money they can save by not being fixed so highly, the more they have to open new plants and generate jobs.

A. While one view of many CEOs.... B. The best way to.... C. Since many CEOs....

✓A) Only(A) B) Only (B) & (C) C) Only (B) D) Only (A) & (B) E) None

Explanation:- *Only A can be the starter.*

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According to the passage, what does sarcasm require

A. Its intention is to cause hurt in the most profound manner possible.
B. In order to understand it, one need to be able to grasp abstract context.
C. Its usage involves the employment of words contrary to the intended meaning.

A) Only (C) B) Only (A) C) Only (B) and (C) D) Only (A) & (B) ✓E) All the three (A), (B) & (C)

Explanation:- *All the three options are given in the passage and contributes to the definition of sarcasm.*

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According to the passage, which of the following is not true?

A. One needs to exercise restraint while using sarcasm.
B. Sarcasm has the potential to damage relationships.
C. Using sarcasm is devoid of any merits.

A) All (A), (B) & (C) B) Only (B) and (C) C) Only (A) ✓D) Only (C) E) Only (A) & (B)

Explanation:- *Only option C is false, rest options are true w.r.t. passage.*

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DIRECTIONS for the question: *Rearrange the following sentences (A), (B), (C), (D), (E) and (F) into a meaningful paragraph and then answer the question given below it.*

Question No. : 121

A. Apart from the presence of this pollutant, last month, as representatives from all over the world concluded their climate summit in Paris, officials in Beijing issued China's "red alerts" for smog.
B. Look of the sky in China and it's easy to think that the apocalypse is now.
C. This north-eastern city saw the harmful pollutant PM 2.5 at a level 40 times greater than what the World Health Organisation considers safe.
D. The country's dismal air isn't news to those who have to breathe it, or to the international community.
E. But recent reports about the "dooms day" smog in Shenyang were alarming.
F. As a result of this warning schools were closed and drivers were told to stay off the road every other day, depending on whether their license plate ended with an even or odd number.

Which of the following should be third sentence after the rearrangement?

A) C B) B C) A D) D ✓E) E

Explanation:- *The correct order of sentences is BDECAF. B talks about China, the country being talked about. Then B and D make mandatory pair of noun pronoun due to words "China" and "The country's". Followed by E which talks about the smog and gives contradiction to sentense D. CA makes a mandatory pair because of 'this pollutant' and F concludes the sentence.*

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Which of the following should be fourth sentence after the rearrangement?

A) A B) B ✓C) C D) E E) D

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Which of the following should be first sentence after the rearrangement?

A) F B) A ✓C) B D) E E) D

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DIRECTIONS for the question: *Rearrange the following sentences (A), (B), (C), (D), (E) and (F) into a meaningful paragraph and then answer the question given below it.*

Question No. : 125

A. Apart from the presence of this pollutant, last month, as representatives from all over the world concluded their climate summit in Paris, officials in Beijing issued China's "red alerts" for smog.
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Which of the following should be second sentence after the rearrangement?

A) B B) A C) E ✓D) D E) C

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Question No. : 126

CONVALESCENT

✓A) healing B) antithesis C) convergent D) blend E) ligament

Explanation:- *Convalescent means recovering from illness and hence, the answer should be healing i.e. synonym.*

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Question No. : 128

MITIGATE

A) insect B) entrance C) disclaim D) persuade ✓E) aggravate

Explanation:- *Mitigate means to lessen and the opposite will be 'aggravate'*

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Question No. : 129

EXEMPLIFY

A) release B) effort C) embody D) nuance ✓E) expand

Explanation:- *Exemplify means to illustrate and hence expand which means the same.*

DIRECTION for the question: *In the question, a word is given in* ***bold CAPITALS*** *is followed by five words. Find out, if any, the one which is either most* ***nearly the same*** *in meaning* ***OR opposite*** *of the word given in bold.*

Question No. : 130

GRUFF

✓A) soft B) stout C) swollen D) grass E) Round

Explanation:- *Gruff means rough and hence soft would be the antonym.*

DIRECTIONS for the question: *Read the passage and answer the question based on it.*

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Which of the following is the central theme of the passage?

A) Infrastructure in developed countries has not been maintained as it should
B) After the financial crisis, developed countries are unable to invest in infrastructure
C) Engineering and Infrastructure in Europe and America is a marvel
D) The developed economy is in the midst of a crisis from which it will not recover soon
✓E) Infrastructure improvement can lead to improvement in economy

Explanation:- *As in the passage author has tried showing the correlation of Infrastructure development and its impact on economy. The central theme comes out to be option E.*

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What does the author want to convey through the GDP?

✓A) Infrastructure development can boost the economy of developed countries tremendously
B) GDP is not a true indicator of social and economic development
C) The GDP of developing countries is growing fester than developed ones
D) Despite investment of a greater proportion of GDP in infrastructure, the impact on growth is negligible
E) Other than those given as options

Explanation:- *As per lines "But the impact in rich countries is ..... 2.5% bigger in Britain and 1.4% in the Euro zone." option 1 is the correct answer.*

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Which of the following cannot be inferred from the passage?

A. Much of the infrastructure in Europe though ancient is in good repair.
B. At present there is no way developing countries can reduce the infrastructure deficit.
C. Infrastructure development is time consuming but need not be expensive.

A) Only (A) ✓B) Only(A) & (B) C) Only (A) & (C) D) All (A), (B) & (C) E) None of (A), (B) & (C)

Explanation:- *Option A canot be inferred as lines "Planning constraints play their part:..... last November, the website taking possible projects has yet to be launched." clearly state that projects are running slow in Europe.*
Optiob B cannot be inferred as nothing about the developing countries is mentioned in the passage

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Which of the following factors has impacted infrastructure in developed countries?

A. Sever and unusual weather conditions.
B. Sluggish project implementation.
C. Financial crisis.

A) Only (A) B) Only (A) & (B) ✓C) Only (B) & (C) D) All (A), (B) & (C) E) Only (B)

Explanation:- *Option B is mentioned in lines "Planning constraints play ..... the website taking possible projects has yet to be launched."*
Option C is mentioned in lines "If anything, the problem is becoming more acute as some governments whose finances have been racked by the crisis cut back."

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Question No. : 136

Factors that **are likely** to impact rural demand include global agricultural commodity prices and monsoons,

A) are like B) is likely C) are liked D) are liking ✓E) No correction required

Explanation:- *No correction required*

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Question No. : 138

The Central Bank has ordered banks **to get tough by** wilful defaulters and have a tough set of rules in place.

A) to getting tougher B) for getting tough C) too get tough on ✓D) to get tough with E) No correction required

Explanation:- *It should be 'to get tough with' as 'by' is used to identify the agent performing the action.*

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Question No. : 139

Demand in rural India will probably stay under stress, largely **on account off** usage of poor fertilisers,

✓A) on account of B) on account for C) accounting of D) on account from E) No correction required

Explanation:- *'on account of' means because of whereas 'off' is used when it is to be shown that something is moving away.*

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Question No. : 140

The fact that it had to issue a connection about how much coal the country burns reflects the government's failure to track emissions from coal mines.

A) A fact which B) The factual that C) Factually D) In fact that ✓E) No correction required

Explanation:- *No correction required*

DIRECTIONS for the question: *The passage given contains blanks, choose the best choice in each case from the words in the options and mark your answer accordingly.*

Question No. : 141

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A) volunteer B) suggest ✓C) proffered D) compromised E) guessing

Explanation: *As a list of options is given ahead of the blank therefore a word similar to 'given' should be used. Proffered*

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A) familiar B) comprehension C) valued D) decide ✓E) understood

Explanation:- *'understood' suits well when it comes to studying.*

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A) truthfully ✓B) correctly C) flawless D) precisely E) instead

Explanation:- *'correctly' suits well as an answer can be either correct or incorrect.*

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A) standard ✓B) determining C) shape D) discovering E) participating

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A) follows B) abides ✓C) gained D) create E) develops

Explanation:- *'gained' should be the best choice as the successive sentence talks about past.*

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Question No. : 146

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A) moral B) input C) potence ✓D) insight E) symbol

Explanation:- *'insight' means an accurate and deep understanding. Therefore its the best fit as the report offers an understanding of what has gone wrong with the policymaking.*

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A) resolved B) inclined ✓C) determined D) drive E) hamper

Explanation:- *'determined by' is the correct idiomatic usage. Also resolved cannot be used as farm production is not the solution given.*

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✓A) access B) outlet C) acquire D) pass E) advent

Explanation:- *As can be inferred form first sentence of passge it is difficult for farmers to get their produce to market due to 'rural roads', option A fits in the best*

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A) plunge ✓B) surplus C) plethora D) oversupply E) superficial

Explanation:- *Boost in production will lead to 'surplus' harvest.*

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A) raise ✓B) amplify C) halt D) lifted E) Plummet

Explanation:- *A word similar to rise should fit the blank as if farmers will sell their crop they will earn money. Therefore Amplify fits best. Although raise was also a good option but the form of tense in which the word is doesnot support it.*

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