

SSC CHSL (Held On 10 March 2023 Shift 4) English Paper

Question No. 1

Key Points

- The word "**wane**" means **to decrease or diminish in size, strength, or intensity**. It often refers to something gradually becoming weaker or fading away.
 - Example: "As the moon began to **wane**, the night grew darker."
 - In this example, "**wane**" is used to describe the moon's decreasing visibility or illumination as it moves through its lunar cycle.
- "**Intensify**" means **to increase or become stronger or more intense**, contrasting with the idea of decrease or fading associated with "**wane**."
 - Example: The storm began to **intensify** as dark clouds rolled in, and the wind picked up speed.
- Therefore, the correct answer is **1) Intensify** because it represents the opposite meaning to "**wane**."

Additional Information

- Now let's analyze the other options:
- Evanescence**: This word means to vanish or disappear gradually, similar to the concept of fading away. While it shares a similar idea of gradual disappearance with "**wane**," it is not an exact opposite. It is more synonymous with "**diminish**" or "**fade**."
 - Example: "The morning mist began to **evanesce** as the sun rose higher in the sky."
- Diminish**: This word means to make or become less or reduce in size, extent, or importance. It is somewhat synonymous with "**wane**" as both indicate a decrease or reduction, but it is not the exact opposite.
 - Example: "The company's profits started to **diminish** after the economic downturn."
- Contract**: This word means to become smaller or narrower or to decrease in size, extent, or quantity. While it shares the idea of decrease or reduction with "**wane**," it is not the opposite as it does not encompass the idea of increasing.
 - Example: "The muscles **contract** during exercise."



Headphones

Question No. 2

Choose the word that is opposite in meaning to the given word.

Delinquency

✗ Neglect

✓ Fulfilment

Tardiness

Default

Question No. 3

Key Points

- The word "**delinquency**" refers to **the act of failing to fulfill one's obligations or responsibilities, especially in the context of legal or moral duties**. It often connotes misconduct, negligence, or noncompliance. (कर्तव्य में चूक, अपराधवृत्ति)
 - Example: "The **delinquency** of the student in completing assignments led to a significant drop in their grades."
 - In this example, "**delinquency**" is used to describe the student's failure to fulfill their academic responsibilities, resulting in poor performance.
- "**Fulfilment**" signifies the act of meeting or completing obligations or responsibilities, which contrasts with the idea of failure or noncompliance associated with "**delinquency**." (लक्ष्य की प्राप्ति)
 - Example: "The employee's prompt and efficient work ensured the **fulfilment** of all project deadlines."
- Therefore, the correct answer is **2) Fulfilment** because it represents the opposite meaning of "**delinquency**."

Question No. 4

Additional Information

- Now let's analyze the other options:
- Neglect:** This word means to fail to care for or pay attention to something or someone, often resulting in the lack of proper maintenance or oversight. While there is a connection between neglect and delinquency, neglect is not the opposite. Neglect can contribute to delinquency but is not the exact opposite. (बिलकुल ध्यान न देना)
 - Example: "The **neglected** garden became overgrown with weeds and was in a state of disarray."
- Tardiness:** This word refers to the habit or act of being late or delayed in meeting obligations or appointments. While tardiness can be seen as a form of noncompliance, it is not the direct opposite of delinquency. (शिथिलता)
 - Example: "Her constant **tardiness** to work led to disciplinary action from her employer."
- Default:** This word typically refers to the failure to fulfill an obligation, especially in financial matters. While "default" shares some similarities with "delinquency," they are not precise antonyms. "Default" often specifically relates to a failure to meet financial obligations, whereas "delinquency" has a broader scope. (अभाव, गलती, दोष)
 - Example: "The company went into **default** on their loan payments, leading to legal consequences."

Question No. 5

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase.

Dead ringer

Game of race

In writing

✗ Detailed information

✓ An exact duplicate

Question No. 6

Fill in the blank with an appropriate option.

In some places, roads were still unfinished, as were several areas where football fans are expected to _____.

✓ congregate

Your first attempt

61% answered correctly

unravel

dissolve

clump

Question No. 7

Key Points

- The sentence suggests that there are areas where football fans are expected to gather or come together. (वाक्य से पता चलता है कि ऐसे क्षेत्र हैं जहां फुटबॉल प्रशंसकों के इकट्ठा होने या एक साथ आने की उम्मीद की जाती है)
- The word "**congregate**" means **to gather or assemble in a group**, which fits the context of the sentence. (किसी समूह में इकट्ठा होना या इकट्ठा होना, जो वाक्य के संदर्भ में फिट बैठता हो)
 - Example: After the movie, we decided to **congregate** at the nearby cafe to discuss our favorite scenes and share our thoughts.
- The other options do not fit the context of the sentence.
 - "**Unravel**" means to undo or untangle, which does not make sense in this context. (पूर्ववत करना या सुलझाना, जिसका इस संदर्भ में कोई मतलब नहीं है)
 - "**Dissolve**" means to break apart or disperse, which is the opposite of what is expected to happen with the football fans. (टूटना या तितर-बितर होना, जो फुटबॉल प्रशंसकों के साथ होने वाली अपेक्षा के विपरीत है)
 - "**Clump**" means to gather or form into a cluster, but it does not convey the idea of people coming together in a specific area. (इकट्ठा होना या समूह बनाना, लेकिन यह किसी विशिष्ट क्षेत्र में लोगों के एक साथ आने का विचार व्यक्त नहीं करता है)
- Conclusive line: The appropriate option to fill in the blank is "**congregate**," which means to gather or assemble in a group.

Question No. 8

Select the word that is opposite in meaning (ANTONYM) to the word given below.

Relentless

✗ Constant

Persistent

✓ Intermittent

Unabating

Question No. 9

Key Points

- The word "**relentless**" means **to be persistent, unyielding, or unrelenting in one's actions or efforts**. It implies a continuous and unwavering nature, often associated with determination or perseverance.
- **Examples:**
 - Despite facing numerous obstacles, he showed **relentless** determination to achieve his goals.
 - The **relentless** rain poured down for days without stopping.
- While all the options may share some similarities with "**relentless**" in terms of persistence or continuity, "**intermittent**" is the direct opposite.
- "**Intermittent**" refers to **something that occurs at irregular intervals or stops and starts periodically**. It implies a lack of consistency or continuity.
 - Example: The **intermittent** rain showers made it challenging to plan outdoor activities.
- Therefore, the antonym for "**relentless**" is **3) Intermittent**.

Question No. 10

Additional Information

- Now let's examine the other options:
- **Constant:** This word refers to something that remains the same or unchanging over a period of time. It is similar to the meaning of "relentless" in terms of consistency.
 - Example: The **constant** humming of the refrigerator could be heard throughout the house.
- **Persistent:** This word also shares a similar meaning to "relentless" as it suggests the act of continuing with an action or effort despite obstacles or setbacks. However, "persistent" may imply a less intense or prolonged level of determination compared to "relentless."
 - Example: The **persistent** student kept asking questions until he fully understood the topic.
- **Unabating:** This word means continuing without weakening or diminishing in intensity. It is similar in meaning to "relentless," emphasizing the absence of a decrease or cessation in something.
 - Example: The storm's **unabating** winds rattled the windows throughout the night.