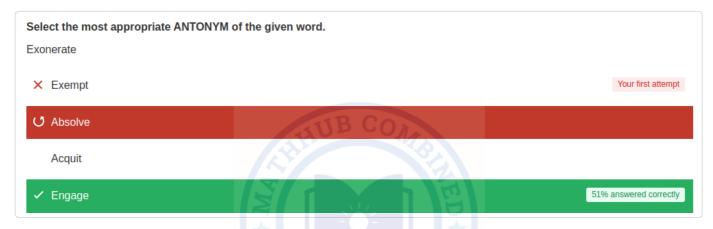
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Question No. 1



Question No. 2



Question No. 3

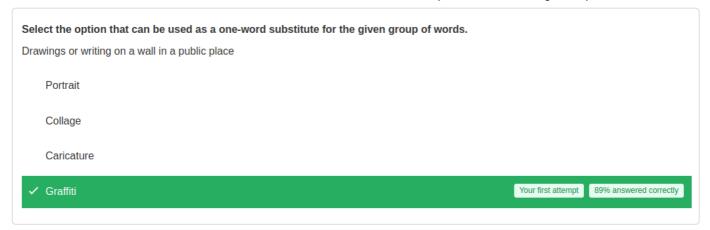


- The most appropriate antonym of the given word 'Exonerate' is 'Engage'.
- Exonerate: to say officially that somebody was not responsible for something bad that happened. (आधिकारिक रूप से दोषमुक्त घोषित करना) Example: Lyndon was exonerated from the accusation of cheating.
- Engage: to interest or attract somebody. [(किसी को) आकृष्ट करना या (काम में) लगाना]
 - Example: You need to **engage** the students' attention right from the start.

Correct Answer: Engage.

눩 Additional Information

- · Let's look at the meaning of other words:
 - Exempt: free from having to do something or pay for something. (किसी बाध्यता से मुक्त)
 - **Absolve**: to say formally that somebody does not have to take responsibility for something. (अपराध, पाप, उत्तरदायित्व आदि से मुक्त करना; दोषमुक्त करना, निरपराध वहरना)
 - Acquit: to state formally that a person is not guilty of a crime. (किसी के निर्दोष होने की विधिवत घोषणा करना) OR free (someone) from a criminal charge by a verdict of not guilty.



- · Let's look at the meaning of other words:
 - Portrait: a picture, painting or photograph of a person. (किसी व्यक्ति का चित्र, पेंटिंग या फ़ोटो)
 - **Collage**: a picture made by fixing pieces of paper, cloth, photographs, etc. onto a surface; the art of making a picture like this. (किसी सतह पर काग़ज, कपड़े, फ़ोटोचित्रों आदि के टुकड़ों को साथ चिपकाकर बनाया गया चित्र; इस प्रकार से चित्र बनाने की कला; समुचित चित्र; कोलाज)
 - Caricature: a picture or description of somebody that makes his/her appearance or behaviour funnier and more extreme than it really is. (किसी व्यक्ति का हास्यजनक चित्र या वर्णन जो उसके रूप-रंग या आचरण को उपहासात्मक रूप से बढ़ा-चढ़ा कर पेश करता है; विद्रूप, व्यंग्यचित्र, उपहासचित्र)

Question No. 6



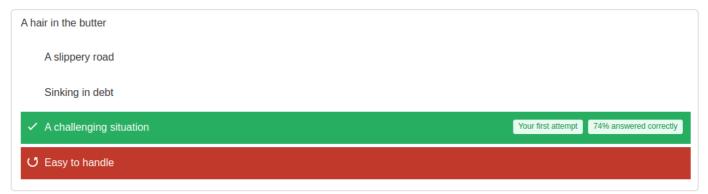
- The most appropriate synonym of the given word 'Final' is 'Concluding'.
- Final: last (in a series). [अंतिम (क्रम की दृष्टि से)]
 - Example: This will be the final lesson of our course.
- Concluding: to end or to bring something to an end. (समाप्त करना या होना)
 - o Example: The President concluded his tour with a visit to a charity concert.

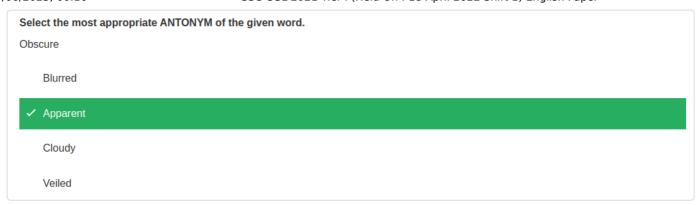
Correct Answer: Concluding.

Additional Information

- · Let's look at the meaning of other words:
 - ॰ Forbidden: to not allow something. (किसी बात की मनाही होना; निषिद्ध, वर्जित होना)
 - ॰ Former: of an earlier time; belonging to the past. (पूर्वकाल का; अतीतकालीन)
 - **Allowed**: to give permission for somebody/something to do something or for something to happen. (कुछ करने की अनुमति देना, कुछ होने देना)

Question No. 7





The correct answer is 'Apparent'.



- . The most appropriate antonym of the given word 'Obscure' is 'Apparent'.
- Obscure: not easy to see or understand. (जो आसानी से दिखाई न पड़े या समझ में न आए, धुँधला या दुर्बोध)
 - Example: For some obscure reason, he decided to give up his well-paid job, to become a writer.
- Apparent: that seems to be real or true but may not be. (वास्तविक जैसा, आभासी)
 - Example: It quickly became **apparent** to us that our teacher could not speak French.

Correct Answer: Apparent.

눩 <u>Additional Information</u>

- · Let's look at the meaning of other words:
 - Blurred: unable to see or be seen clearly. (स्पष्ट रूप से देखने या देखने में असमर्थ)
 - Cloudy: (used about the sky, etc.) full of clouds. [(आकाश) मेघाच्छन्न; बादलों से ढका]
 - o Veiled: not expressed directly or clearly because you do not want your meaning to be obvious. (अप्रत्यक्ष या अस्पष्ट)

Question No. 10

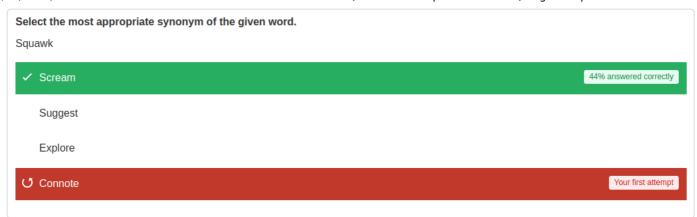
훩 Additional Information

Let's look at the correct spelling along with meaning of other given options-

- · consent- permission for something to happen or agreement to do something.
- Connect- bring together or into contact so that a real or notional link is established.
- Convict- declare (someone) to be guilty of a criminal offence by the verdict of a jury or the decision of a judge in a court of law.

Question No. 11







- The most appropriate synonym of the given word 'Squawk' is 'Scream'.
- Squawk: to make a loud unpleasant noise. (जोर से अप्रिय शोर करने के लिए)
 - Example: She gave a very loud **squawk** at this point which we considered a good sign.
- Scream: to cry out loudly in a high voice because you are afraid, excited, angry, in pain, etc. [जोर से चीख़ना (डर, उत्तेजना, गुस्सा, दर्द आदि के कारण)]
 - o Example: She saw a rat and screamed out.

Correct Answer: Scream.

눩 Additional Information

- · Let's look at the meaning of other words:
 - Suggest: to mention a plan or an idea that you have for somebody to discuss or consider. [(चर्चा या विचार हेतु) कोई सुझाव देना (किसी योजना या राय का उल्लेख करना)]
 - **Explore**: to travel around a place, etc. in order to learn about it. (किसी जगह के विषय में जानकारी प्राप्त करने के लिए उसका भ्रमण करना, खोजयात्रा करना)
 - Connote: (of a fact) imply as a consequence or condition. [(किसी तथ्य का) परिणाम या स्थिति के रूप में]

Question No. 14

Select the most appropriate option that can substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution required'.

Which movie have you watched on television when I called you?

The are you watching

No substitution required

were you watching

81% answered correctly

X did you watched

Question No. 15

Key Points

- · The underlined part in the given sentence is grammatically incorrect.
- · Here, 'were you watching' should be used instead of 'have you watched'.
- The former part of the given sentence must be in the past continuous tense so the verb must be used in its past continuous form(was/were + V-ing) and not in the present perfect form(have + V₃).
- The 'past continuous' describes actions or events in a time before now, which began in the past and were still going on when another
 event occurred.
- Thus, the correct answer is Option 3.

The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them contains an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options.

It has / been raining / since / two hours.

Your first attempt

It has

94% answered correctly

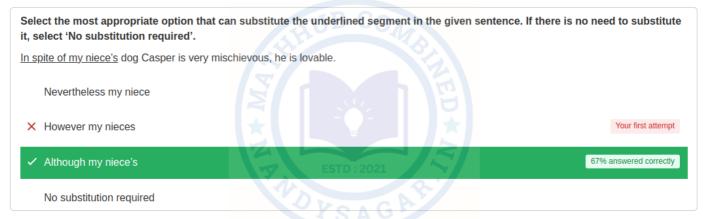
two hours

Question No. 17



- The given sentence is grammatically incorrect.
- · Here, 'for' should be used instead of 'since'.
- 'For' refers to a specific period of time or a numerical value of time, for example for 2 years, for 4 weeks, for 3 hours, etc.
- . However, in the given question, the period of time is 2 hours.
- Thus, the correct answer is Option 3.

Question No. 18



Question No. 19



- The underlined part in the given sentence is grammatically incorrect.
- The given sentence tries to convey the meaning that the narrator's niece's dog Casper is very mischievous, yet he is lovable.
- The use of 'In spite' is grammatically misfit in this context.
- . The phrase 'In spite of' will be replaced with 'although' which means 'and yet'.
- Thus, the correct answer is Option 3.

Question No. 20

The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them may contain an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options. If you don't find any error, mark 'No error' as your answer.

Every Saturday, / the workers gets / their weekly wages.

No error

Every Saturday

their weekly wages

the workers gets

Your first attempt
79% answered correctly



- · The given sentence is grammatically incorrect.
- · Here, 'the workers get' should be used instead of 'the workers gets'.
- · According to the "Subject-Verb Agreement Rule", a singular subject always takes a singular verb and a plural subject always takes a plural verb.
- In the given sentence, 'workers' is a plural subject that will take 'get' as a plural verb.
- Thus, the correct answer is Option 4.

Question No. 22

The following sentence has been split into four segments. Identify the segment that contains a grammatical error. The contrast between / Britain and other countries / of Europe / are striking. of Europe The contrast between Britain and other countries Your first attempt 67% answered correctly are striking

Question No. 23



- · The given sentence is grammatically incorrect.
- · Here, 'is striking' should be used instead of 'are striking'.
- According to the "Subject-Verb Agreement Rule", a singular subject always takes a singular verb and a plural subject always takes a plural verb.
- In the given sentence, 'contrast' is a singular subject that will take 'is' as a singular verb.
- . Thus, the correct answer is Option 4.

Question No. 24

Select the most appropriate option that can substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution required'. This TV channel has a larger viewership from another channel. from any other channel

from the other channel

No substitution required

than any other channel

Your first attempt 83% answered correctly