

## SSC CGL 2019 Tier-I (Held On : 4 March 2020 Shift 2) English Paper

## Question No. 1

- **Imposed:** (past tense) force on someone
- **Curbed:** (past tense) restrain or keep in check
- **Reposed:** (past tense) be situated or kept in a particular place
- **Adorned:** (past tense) make more beautiful or attractive

## Question No. 2

**Key Points**

- **The bee's knees** mean an outstandingly good person or thing.
  - Example: *Natural lighting in all the wards, air-conditioning throughout, it was meant to be **the bee's knees**.*

Thus **Extraordinary** is the correct meaning of **the bee's knees**. Other options are incorrect in their usage in the context.

**Additional Information**

- **Extraordinary:** remarkable; exceptional, amazing
- **Foolish:** lacking good sense or judgement; unwise.
- **Observant:** quick to notice or perceive things; alert, sharp
- **Problematic:** constituting or presenting a problem; difficult, taxing

## Question No. 3

No effort has been made by the Indian cricket team to cash off on its vibrant image in the World Cup.

to cash up on

for cash through in

for cashing off on

✓ to cash in on

## Question No. 4

**Encouragement** is correctly spelt. It means the action of giving someone support, confidence, or hope; the act of trying to stimulate the development of an activity, state, or belief.

Other words are incorrectly spelt. Given below are the correctly spelt word along with its meaning.

- **Commotion:** a state of confused and noisy disturbance.
- **Conscientious:** wishing to do one's work or duty well and thoroughly.
- **Embarrassment:** a feeling of self-consciousness, shame, or awkwardness.

## Question No. 5

- **Virtue:** behaviour showing high moral standards
- **Disadvantage:** an unfavourable circumstance or condition that reduces the chances of success or effectiveness.
- **Dream:** a series of thoughts, images & sensations occurring in a person's mind during sleep.
- **Curse:** a solemn utterance intended to invoke a supernatural power to inflict harm or punishment on someone or something.

## Question No. 6

To throw a fit

✓ Express extreme anger

Become unconscious

Faint and fall down

Caution someone about fitness

## Question No. 7

Obsolete

Rigid

✓ Recent

Remote

Outdated

## Question No. 8

- **Obsolete:** no longer produced or used; out of date.
- **Recent:** having happened, begun, or been done not long ago; belonging to a past period comparatively close to the present.
- **Rigid:** unable to bend or be forced out of shape; not flexible; not able to be changed or adapted.
- **Remote:** (of a place) situated far from the main centres of population; distant
- **Outdated:** out of date

## Question No. 9

**Veterinary** is correctly spelt. It relates to the diseases, injuries and treatment of farm and domestic animals.

The correct spelling of other words and their meaning are given below:

- **Employed:** (of a person) having a paid job
- **Separable:** able to be separated or treated separately
- **Rehearsal:** a practice or trial performance of a play or other work for public performance

## Question No. 10

- **Malicious:** characterized by malice, intending or intended to do harm
- **Exemplary:** serving as a desirable model, very good
- **Conducive:** making a certain situation or outcome likely or possible
- **Benevolent:** well-meaning and kind

## Question No. 11

Select the most appropriate word to fill in the blank.

A reward is a \_\_\_\_\_ which motivates a person to achieve excellence in his field.

✗ memorial

monument

collection

✓ recognition

## Question No. 12

- **Recognition:** identification of someone or something or person from previous encounters or knowledge; acknowledgement
- **Memorial:** a statue or structure established to remind people of a person or event.
- **Monument:** a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a notable person or event; a building, structure, or site that is of historical importance or interest.
- **Collection:** the action or process of collecting someone or something; a group of things or people

## Question No. 13

Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word.

Derogatory

Insulting

Depreciating

Intricate

✓ Complimentary

## Question No. 14

- **Derogatory:** showing a critical or disrespectful attitude.
- **Insulting:** disrespectful or scornfully abusive.
- **Depreciating:** diminishing in value over a period of time.
- **Intricate:** very complicated or detailed.
- **Complimentary:** expressing a compliment; praising or approving.

## Question No. 15

- **Happily:** in a happy way; joyfully
- **Proudly:** with a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction in one's own achievements, qualities, or possessions or those of someone with whom one is closely associated.
- **Slowly:** at a slow speed; not quickly
- **Usually:** under normal conditions; generally

## Question No. 16

A sudden rush of a large number of frightened people or animals.

Lunacy

Scapegoat

Recluse

✓ Stampede

#### Question No. 17

- **Stampede:** a sudden panicked rush; rush wildly in a sudden mass panic
- **Lunacy:** the state of being a lunatic; insanity (not in technical use); extreme folly or eccentricity.
- **Scapegoat:** a person who is blamed for the wrongdoings, mistakes, or faults of others, especially for reasons of expediency.
- **Recluse:** a person who lives a solitary life and tends to avoid other people.

#### Question No. 18

- **Acknowledgement:** acceptance of the truth or existence of something; recognition of the importance or quality of something
- **Confirmation:** the action of confirming something or the state of being confirmed
- **Confusion:** uncertainty about what is happening, intended or required; hesitation; puzzlement
- **Compensation:** something, typically money awarded to someone in recognition of loss, or injury
- **Elimination:** the complete removal or destruction of something

#### Question No. 19

Select the word which means the same as the given group of words.

One who loads and unloads ships.

✓ Stevedore

Rustic

Spinster

Captain

#### Question No. 20

- **Stevedore:** a person employed at a dock to load and unload ships.  
Other words mean:
- **Rustic:** relating to the countryside; rural; made in a plain and simple fashion.
- **Spinster:** an unmarried woman, typically an older woman beyond the usual age for marriage.
- **Captain:** the person in command of a ship; the leader of a team, especially in sports.