SSC CGL (Held On 13 Dec 2022 Shift 1) English Paper

Question No. 1

Select the most appropriate synonym of the underlined word.

The poet managed to paint a vivid picture of the landscape by the river through words.

× Metaphoric

Evocative

Contemporary

Blurred

Question No. 2



- The most appropriate synonym of the underlined word 'Vivid' is 'Evocative'.
- Vivid (जीवंत) producing powerful mental images or clear, intense impressions in the mind.
 - Example: The writer used vivid descriptions to transport the reader to a different time and place.
- **Evocative** (उत्प्रेरक) bringing strong memories, images or feelings to mind.
 - Example: The evocative scent of the ocean reminded him of childhood summer vacations.

Correct Answer: Evocative.

Additional Information

- · Let's look at the meaning of other words:
 - o **Contemporary** (समकालीन) relating to the present time or modern day.
 - o Blurred (धुंधला) not clear or sharply defined.
 - o **Metaphoric** (लाक्षणिक) using metaphorical language to describe something, meaning something other than its literal definition.

Question No. 3

The following sentence has been split into four segments. Identify the segment that contains a grammatical error.

The man who / was committed / the theft last night / was caught this evening.

was caught this evening.

✓ was committed

The man who

X the theft last night

Question No. 4



- · The given sentence is grammatically incorrect.
- Here, 'committed' should be used instead of 'was committed'.
- The error in the given sentence is that the verb "was committed" is in the passive voice, which means that it is unclear who committed the theft. To correct the sentence, the passive voice should be changed to the active voice 'committed'.
- The verb "commit" is a regular verb, which means that it follows the typical conjugation pattern for English verbs. In the past simple tense, the verb "commit" takes the form "committed." In the past participle form, the verb "commit" also takes the form "committed."
- Thus, the correct answer is Option 2.

Question No. 5



Question No. 6



Question No. 7

Select the most appropriate option that can substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence.

Health club membership has grown by leaps and bounds after the pandemic.

slowly and gradually

full of speed and excitement

hurriedly

very quickly

Question No. 8

Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

Steer clear of

Show someone how to do a job or activity

Be very easy

Avoid someone or something because it is dangerous for you

Be mentally and physically exhausted

Question No. 9

Select the most appropriate synonym of the underlined word in the given sentence.

The efforts of the doctors came to a futile end with the death of the patient.

Fruitless

Enriching

Startling

Terrifying

Question No. 10

Key Points

- · The most appropriate synonym of the given word 'Futile' is 'Fruitless'.
- Futile: producing no result, unsuccessful, or incapable of producing any useful result. It refers to something that is pointless, fruitless or useless. (कोई परिणाम न देने वाला, असफल, या कोई उपयोगी परिणाम उत्पन्न करने में असमर्थ। यह किसी ऐसी चीज को संदर्भित करता है जो व्यर्थ, फलहीन या बेकार है)
 - · Example: Attempts to get supplies to the region are futile because troops will not allow the aid convoy to enter the city.
- Fruitless: producing poor or no results; not successful. (अपर्याप्त अथवा शून्य परिणाम देने वाला, निष्फल; विफल, असफल)
 - Example: a fruitless search...

Correct Answer: Fruitless.

눩 Additional Information

- · Let's look at the meaning of other words:
 - **Enriching**: improving or enhancing someone's knowledge, experience, or understanding. (किसी के ज्ञान, अनुभव या समझ को सुधारना या बढ़ाना)
 - o Startling: causing surprise, alarm, or a feeling of being taken aback. (आश्चर्य, अलार्म, या अचंभित होने की भावना पैदा करना)
 - o Terrifying: causing extreme fear or alarm. (अत्यधिक भय पैदा करना)

Question No. 11

Complete the following collocation. When I got the job, I knew what money really is.
effort-earned
soft-earned
✓ hard-earned
× honest-earned

Question No. 12

Select the most appropriate synonym of the underlined word. Marcella seemed morose and downcast when she refused to have dinner.	
	Jocund
	Excited
~	Gloomy
	Liberal

Question No. 13

Key Points

- The most appropriate synonym of the underlined word 'Morose' is 'Gloomy'.
- Morose: "Morose" is an adjective that describes a person who is sullen, sad, and not cheerful. In Hindi, it can be translated as "उदास" or "अवसादी"
 - Example: The team was in a morose mood after losing the championship game.
- Gloomy: The word "gloomy" means dark, dim, or depressing. In Hindi, it can be translated as "उदास" or "अंधेरा".
 - Example: Sarah's face looked gloomy and sad when she heard the bad news about her grandfather.

Correct Answer: Gloomy.

눩 Additional Information

- · Let's look at the meaning of other words:
 - ॰ "**Jocund**" This means cheerful or merry. In Hindi, it can be translated as "खुशमिजाज" or "प्रफुल्लित".
 - ॰ "Excited" This means feeling or showing enthusiasm or eagerness. In Hindi, it can be translated as "उत्साहित" or "उत्कंठित".
 - o "**Liberal**" This means open to new behavior or opinions and willing to discard traditional values. In Hindi, it can be translated as "उदार" or "आजाद-ख्याली".