

## SSC CHSL (Held On 9 March 2023 Shift 4) English Paper

## Question No. 1

Choose the incorrectly spelt word.

Cramp

Damp

✓ Agravate

Your first attempt

89% answered correctly

Stamp

## Question No. 2

**Key Points**

- The word "aggravate" means to make a problem or situation worse.
- Option 1, "Cramp," is spelled correctly. It refers to a sudden, painful contraction of a muscle.
- Option 2, "Damp," is also spelled correctly. It means slightly wet or moist.
- Option 4, "Stamp," is spelled correctly. It can refer to a mark made by pressing or hitting something, or to a small piece of paper with a design on it that is used to show payment or approval.

## Question No. 3

Choose the word that means the same as the given word.

Ridicule

Pathology

Resolute

✓ Derision

Your first attempt

59% answered correctly

Derivation

## Question No. 4

**Key Points**

- **Ridicule** means to mock or make fun of someone or something in a contemptuous or sarcastic manner. (उपहास करना)
- **Pathology** refers to the study of diseases and their effects on the body. (रोग-विज्ञान, विकृति विज्ञान)
- **Resolute** means determined and unwavering in purpose or opinion. (दृढ़, कृतसंकल्प, अटल)
- **Derision** means contemptuous ridicule or mockery. (उपहास, हास्यास्पद)
- **Derivation** refers to the process of obtaining something from a source or origin. (व्युत्पत्ति, उत्पत्ति)
- From the meanings of all the words, it is clear that "**Derision**" is the most appropriate synonym for "**ridicule**".
- Hence, option 3 is correct.

## Question No. 5

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

Nadir

✓ Climax

Your first attempt

61% answered correctly

Base

Bottom

Docile

### Question No. 6

The opposite of "nadir" is "climax". Explanation: - Nadir means the lowest point or the bottom of something. - Climax means the highest point or the peak of something. Option 2: Base - This word is not the opposite of nadir. Base means the foundation or the starting point of something. Option 3: Bottom - This word is synonymous with nadir, so it is not the opposite. Option 4: Docile - This word is unrelated to nadir and means submissive or easily managed. Therefore, the correct answer is option 1: Climax.

### Question No. 7

Find the part of the given sentence that has an error in it. If there is no error, choose 'No error'.

No doubt, human minds are good on predicting the worst.

No error

No doubt, human minds

predicting the worst.

✓ are good on

### Question No. 8

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

Knack

Vile

Process

Lesson

✓ Inability

### Question No. 9

### Key Points

- **Knack** means a natural skill or talent for doing something.
- **Inability** means the lack of ability or skill to do something.
- Therefore, inability is the opposite of knack.

### Additional Information

- **Vile** means extremely unpleasant or disgusting, which is not related to knack.
- **Process** means a series of actions or steps taken to achieve a particular end, which is not opposite to knack.
- **Lesson** means a period of learning or teaching, which is not opposite to knack.

### Important Points

- It is important to note that the **opposite of a word depends on the context** in which it is used.
- In this case, the opposite of **knack** is **inability** because it refers to the ability or skill to do something.
- However, in a different context, the opposite of knack could be a different word.

#### Question No. 10

Find the part of the given sentence that has an error in it. If there is no error, choose 'No error'.

Plastic debris in the ocean can become coated with algae and other marine microbes that produces a chemical scent.

coated with algae and other

✓ marine microbes that produces a chemical scent.

41% answered correctly

Plastic debris in the ocean can become

✗ No error

Your first attempt

#### Question No. 11

### Key Points

- The error is in "**marine microbes that produces a chemical scent**".
- The subject "**marine microbes**" is plural, but the verb "**produces**" is singular. It should be "**produce**" to agree with the subject.
- Option 1 ("coated with algae and other") is grammatically correct.
- Option 3 ("Plastic debris in the ocean can become") is also grammatically correct.
- Option 4 ("No error") is not the correct answer in this case, as there is an error in the sentence.
- Therefore, option 2 is correct.

Correct sentence: Plastic debris in the ocean can become coated with algae and other marine microbes that **produce** a chemical scent.

### Additional Information

- The sentence is discussing how plastic debris in the ocean can absorb and retain a chemical scent due to the growth of algae and other marine microbes on its surface. This can attract marine animals, leading to ingestion of the plastic and potential harm to the animals.

#### Question No. 12

Fill in the blank with an appropriate option.

Wash, rinse and drain water from quinoa and \_\_\_\_\_.

set upon

set off

✓ set aside

set in

#### Question No. 13

Explanation: The sentence is giving instructions on what to do with quinoa after washing, rinsing, and draining it. The phrase "set aside" means to put something to the side or out of the way for later use. In this case, it means to put the quinoa to the side after washing, rinsing, and draining it.

Option 1, "set upon," means to attack or assault someone or something. This does not make sense in the context of the sentence.

Option 2, "set off," means to start or trigger something. This also does not make sense in the context of the sentence.

Option 4, "set in," means to become established or settled in a particular place or situation. This does not make sense in the context of the sentence.

#### Question No. 14

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

Anomalous

Endemic

Outlandish

✓ Customary

✗ Alien

#### Question No. 15

##### Key Points

- Anomalous means something that is unusual or not expected(सामान्य से भिन्न, असामान्य, बेमेल, असंगत). Therefore, the opposite of anomalous would be something that is normal or expected, which is "customary".
- Option 1: Endemic means something that is native or restricted to a particular place or region(किसी विशेष स्थान या व्यक्ति वर्ग में नियमित रूप से पाया जाने वाला और जिससे छुटकारा मुश्किल है; जातीय, स्थानिक)
- Option 2: Outlandish means something that is bizarre or unconventional(अति विचित्र या असाधारण, अजीबोगरीब या गैर-मामूली).
- Option 4: Alien means something that is foreign or unfamiliar(अन्य लोकवासी, दूसरे ग्रह का वासी).

#### Question No. 16

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

To shake in one's shoes

✓ To be afraid

To leave no remark

An unpleasant scenario

To fail to understand