SSC CHSL (Held On 9 March 2023 Shift 3) English Paper

Question No. 1

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

Amiss

Impeccable

Marred

Gaily

Vitiated

Question No. 2

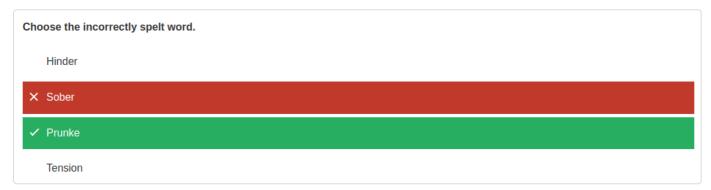


- · Amiss means not quite right or inappropriate.
 - o For example, "Something seems amiss with this plan."
- · Impeccable means perfect or faultless.
 - For example, ""Her work is always impeccable."
- · Overall, the opposite of amiss is something that is perfect or faultless, which is why the correct answer is Impeccable.

눩 Additional Information

- Option 2, Marred, means damaged or spoiled. For example, "The painting was marred by a scratch."
- . Option 3, Gaily, means in a cheerful or lighthearted manner. For example, "She skipped gaily down the street."
- Option 4, Vitiated, means weakened or impaired. For example, "The medicine was vitiated by exposure to heat."

Question No. 3



Question No. 4



- The incorrectly spelt word is option 3, "Prunke". The correct spelling is "Prune".
- Meaning: To prune means to trim or cut back parts of a plant, tree, or shrub to promote growth or maintain its shape.
 - Example sentence: The gardener **pruned** the rose bushes to encourage new growth.
- Option 1: "Hinder" is correctly spelled. It means to create obstacles or difficulties for someone or something.
 - o Example sentence: The heavy traffic hindered our progress on the way to the airport.
- Option 2: "Sober" is correctly spelled. It means not being under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or being serious and solemn.
 - · Example sentence: After a night of heavy drinking, he woke up feeling sober and regretful.
- Option 4: "Tension" is correctly spelled. It means a state of mental or emotional strain or stress.
 - · Example sentence: The tension in the room was palpable as the two sides argued over the issue.
- Therefore, the correct answer is option 3, "Prunke", which is incorrectly spelled.

Improve the underlined part of the sentence. Choose 'No improvement' as an answer if the sentence is grammatically correct.

Fashion is not something that exists in dresses only.

that exist of

that existing at

No improvement

Your first attempt

46% answered correctly

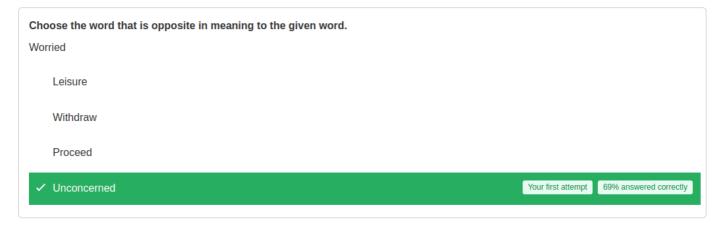
which exist on

Question No. 6



- Option 3, "No improvement," is the correct answer.
- The original sentence is grammatically correct.
- "Exists in" is the correct phrasal verb to use with "fashion" in this context.
- . The sentence means that fashion is not limited to dresses only, but can be found in other areas as well.
- There is no need to change "exists in" to "exist of," "existing at," or "which exist on" as they do not convey the intended meaning of the sentence. Therefore, option 3 is the correct answer.

Question No. 7



Question No. 8



- Worried means feeling anxious or concerned about something.
 - For example, "I am worried about my upcoming exam."

房 Additional Information

- Option 1, Leisure, means free time or relaxation.
 - $\circ~$ For example, "I enjoy spending my leisure time reading books."
- . Option 2, Withdraw, means to remove or take back.
 - For example, "I decided to withdraw my application for the job."
- . Option 3, Proceed, means to continue or move forward.
 - $\circ~$ For example, "We can proceed with the project once we have all the necessary resources."
- Option 4, Unconcerned, means not worried or not caring about something.
 - $\circ~$ For example, "He seemed unconcerned about the potential risks of the activity."
- Overall, option 4 is the opposite of worried because it suggests a lack of concern or anxiety.

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

A bull market

A fertile field

A market where cattle is traded

To boast

Market where prices are rising

Question No. 10

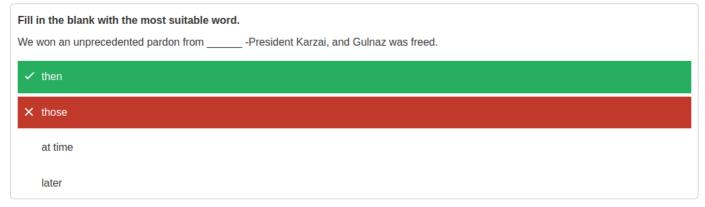
Key Points

- A bull market refers to a financial market where prices of securities, such as stocks, are rising or expected to rise. (बुल मार्केट के माध्यम से निवेशक, मार्केट में बढ़ोतरी की उम्मीद करते हैं और अपने पैसे का निवेश करते हैं।)
- This is usually due to positive economic indicators, such as low unemployment rates, high consumer confidence, and strong corporate earnings. In a bull market, investors are optimistic and willing to buy stocks, which drives up demand and prices.
 - Example: The stock market has been in a bull market for the past year, with the S&P 500 index reaching record highs.

Additional Information

- Option 1 "A fertile field" This phrase refers to a piece of land that is rich in nutrients and suitable for growing crops.
 - Example: The farmer's land was a fertile field, producing abundant crops every year.
- Option 2 "A market where cattle is traded" This phrase refers to a market where livestock, such as cows and bulls, are bought and sold.
 - Example: The farmer took his bulls to the cattle market to sell them to other farmers.
- . Option 3 "To boast" This phrase means to talk about one's achievements or abilities in a proud or self-admiring way.
 - · Example: John likes to boast about his accomplishments at work, even though it annoys his colleagues.

Question No. 11



Key Points

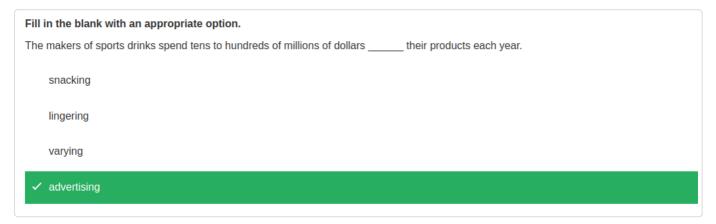
- . The correct answer to fill in the blank is "then."
- . The word 'won' should indicate the granting of pardon from the president of the past time.
- . Then means (at) that time (in the past or in the future).
 - · Example: I wanted to live in the city, but my then husband (= the man who was my husband at that time) preferred the country.
- · So "then-President Karzai" means that at the time when this event happened, Karzai was the president.
- . Thus, the correct answer is Option 1.

Correct Sentence: We won an unprecedented pardon from then-President Karzai, and Gulnaz was freed.

눩 Additional Information

- The other options do not fit grammatically or contextually:
- "Those" is a pronoun that refers to a specific group of people or things.
- "At time" is a phrase that does not provide a clear sense of time or indicate a specific point in time. It lacks the specificity required in this sentence.
- "Later" is an adverb that indicates a subsequent time or a point in the future.

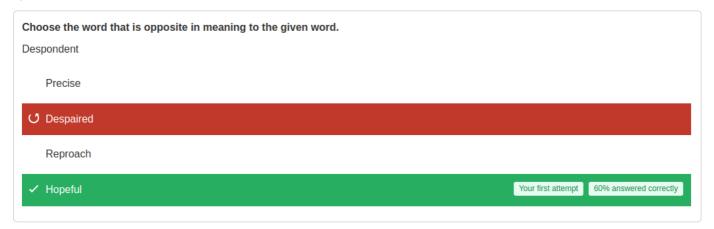
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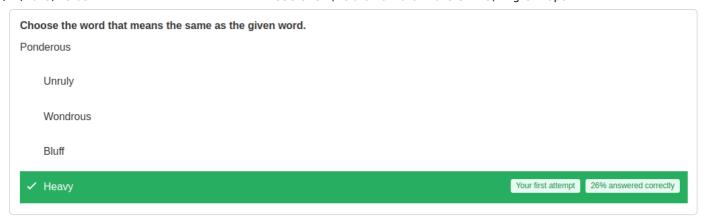


Question No. 14

- Option 1, snacking, is not relevant to the context of the sentence as it does not relate to the promotion of sports drinks.
- Option 2, lingering, does not fit the context either as it implies a sense of staying or remaining in a place, which is not applicable to the sentence.
- Option 3, varying, is also not appropriate as it does not relate to the promotion of sports drinks. It suggests a sense of changing or altering something, which is not relevant to the context.

Question No. 15





Question No. 17



- Despondent means feeling extremely unhappy and without hope (अत्यधिक दुखी और आशाहीन महसूस करना).
 - For example, "After failing his exam, he became despondent and didn't want to leave his room."
- The correct answer is option 4, Hopeful, which means feeling optimistic and confident about the future.
 - For example, "Despite the setbacks, she remained hopeful that things would improve."
- · It is the correct antonym because it is the opposite of feeling despondent, which is to feel hopeless and pessimistic.

Additional Information

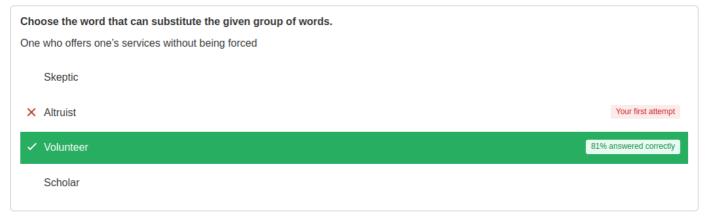
- Option 1, Precise, means exact and accurate (एकदम सही).
 - o For example, "The surgeon had to be very precise during the operation."
- Option 2, Despaired, means to have lost all hope (सारी आशा खो देना).
 - o For example, "She despaired when she realized she had lost her wallet."
- Option 3, Reproach, means to express disapproval or disappointment (अस्वीकृति या निराशा व्यक्त करना).
 - For example, "The teacher reproached the student for not completing their homework."

Question No. 18



- "Ponderous" means something that is very heavy and difficult to move or carry.
 - For example, "The elephant's ponderous footsteps shook the ground."
- Heavy having great weight or density.
 - For example, "The elephant was too **heavy** for the small bridge to support."
- . Option 1, "Unruly," means something that is difficult to control or manage.
 - For example, "The unruly children refused to sit still in class."
- . Option 2, "Wondrous," means something that is amazing or awe-inspiring.
 - $\circ~$ For example, "The wondrous beauty of the sunset took my breath away."
- Option 3, "Bluff," means something that is a steep cliff or a steep slope.
 - For example, "The hikers had to climb a steep **bluff** to reach the top of the mountain."
- Thus, the correct answer is Option 4.

Question No. 19



Key Points

- A volunteer is someone who offers their services without being forced or paid. स्वयंसेवक (बिना किसी शुल्क अथवा दबाव के कुछ करने को तैयार)
 - For example, a person who volunteers at a soup kitchen or a hospital is offering their time and skills without expecting anything in return.
- · Overall, the best word to substitute for "One who offers one's services without being forced" is Volunteer.

Additional Information

- Option 1, Skeptic, refers to someone who doubts or questions something. किस बात की सच्चाई, औचित्य आदि में संशय करने वाला; संशयवादी, संशयात्मा
 - For example, a skeptic might question the validity of a scientific study.
- Option 2, Altruist, refers to someone who is selfless and puts the needs of others before their own. एक निःस्वार्थ व्यक्ति जिसके कार्यों में दूसरों के कल्याण की चिंता झलकती है।
 - · For example, a person who donates a large sum of money to a charity is acting altruistically.
- Option 4, Scholar, refers to someone who is knowledgeable in a particular field of study. विद्वान, पंडित (विषय-विशेष का)
 - o For example, a scholar of literature might be an expert in Shakespearean plays.

Question No. 21

Choose the word that can substitute the given group of words.

A person who is indifferent to pain and pleasures of life

Vagabond

Amateur



Recluse

Question No. 22

Key Points

- Stoic refers to a person who is indifferent to pain and pleasures of life. They believe in enduring pain and hardship without showing any emotion or complaint. (अडिग, आत्मसंयमी)
 - For example, a stoic person may not react to physical pain or emotional distress and may remain calm and composed in difficult situations.
- Option 1, Vagabond, refers to a person who wanders from place to place without a home or job. (आवारा, घुमक्कड़)
 - For example, a person who travels from city to city without a permanent residence or job can be called a vagabond.
- Option 2, Amateur, refers to a person who engages in a particular activity for pleasure rather than as a profession. (शौकीन, अनुभवहीन)
 - For example, a person who plays sports or music as a hobby rather than as a career can be called an amateur.
- Option 4, Recluse, refers to a person who lives in seclusion or isolation from society. (एकांतवासी)
 - For example, a person who lives alone in a remote area and avoids social interaction can be called a recluse.
- Thus, the correct answer is Option 3.