# **TCS English Questions and Answers**

Once upon a time there ———————————————————————————————————
eventually (become) the ruler of a small city. Damocles thought, 'How
lucky my friend — (be). He — (be) now a ruler. He must —
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number of servants. I wish I — (have) his luck.' He — (decide) to
visit his friend to enjoy his hospitality. When he ————— (reach) the palace, the king
himself — (receive) him with respect and affection. Damocles then —
——————————————————————————————————————
——————————————————————————————————————
Answers
Once upon a time there <b>lived</b> a man called Damocles. A friend of his eventually <b>became</b> the ruler of a small city. Damocles thought, 'How lucky my friend <b>is</b> . He <b>is</b> now a ruler. He <b>must be having</b> a great time. He <b>must have</b> fine clothes, lots of money and a number of servants. I wish I <b>had</b> his luck.' He <b>decided</b> to visit his friend to enjoy his hospitality. When he <b>reached</b> the palace, the king himself <b>received</b> him with respect and affection. Damocles then <b>told</b> the king that he <b>was</b> indeed a lucky man. The king <b>smiled</b> . He <b>invited</b> his friend to have dinner with him.
Question 2
A greenhouse is a glass covered structure Options: uses, used, using to grow plants. It has transparent glass that allows sunlight to pass out, through, inside, but does not allow the heat inside to escape. The same affect, effect occurs on the earth. The sun's, suns, sun radiation passing, passes through the atmosphere to heat the earth's surface. When heated, the earth's surface produces infrared radiation, which has a longer wavelength than that of sunlight. This infrared radiation rises into the atmosphere where gases, such as carbon dioxide, prevents, prevented, prevent the infrared radiation from escaping into space. The concentrations of these gases, that, those, which are called greenhouse gases, control how much infrared radiation escapes.
Answer – used – as a contin. Process from the past i.e. past tense
Answer – through as it comes from out to inside which basically can represented by one word through
<b>Answer</b> – effect is for natural process affect is generally for diseases.
Answer – sun's

# **Questions 1**

Answer-passes

Answer – prevent

Answer – which

Blood transfusion for people with cancer depends on the (1)	of anemia. If you
don't have enough healthy red blood cells, you are facing a probl	em called anemia. It often
starts slow, which is not even notice symptoms at (2)	The count of hemoglobin
start getting little, it is the part of red blood cell that (3)	_ oxygen to all the cells in
your body. As soon as hemoglobin level (4), one star	rt feeling shortage of breath
or fast heart beat.	

#### **Answers**

- 1. Options
  - 1. Develops
  - 2. Had Development
  - 3. Having Development
  - 4. Development
- 2. Options
  - 1. Starting
  - 2. First
  - 3. Started
- 3. Options
  - 1. Carry
  - 2. Carries
  - 3. Carrier
  - 4. Had carried
- 4. Options
  - 1. Decrease
  - 2. Decreased
  - 3. Decreases
  - 4. Decreasing
  - 5. Had Decreased

#### **Answers**

1.development 2. first 3. carries 4. decreases

The researcher has proved the	nat positive thinki	ng is much i	more than beir	ng happy. Thinki	ng
positive can create real (1)_	in life	and help to	build quality s	skills.	
Everything (2)	around positive th	hinking e.g.	work, health,	and your life. Pos	sitive
thinking creates skill which	lasts longer (3)	a	smile. Actual	ly, positive think	ing is
a soft term which (4)	easily in the	e real world.	Push out all f	eelings that aren	't
positive when you're feeling	g down.				

- Options
  - o Joyful
  - o Joyous
  - o Joy
  - o Joyed
- Options
  - Resolve
  - Resolved
  - Resolves

- o Resolving
- Options
  - o Then
  - o Than
  - o Although
  - o Whatever
- Options
  - o dissapear
  - o dissapeared
  - o Dissapearing
  - Had disappeared

joy 2. revolves 3. than 4. disappears

# **Advanced English**

Human resource management is (1) owned by the top level management, due to key interest in stakeholders. The stakeholder to business (2)
the workers, client, customers and the managing board. The basic philosophy to hold the sole function is <b>(3)</b> to be controlled by the management office instead of the personal department. In fact, this is not a trend
now. The top management drives the agenda more <b>(4)</b> to people in an organization.
Answer
1. wholly 2. include 3. preferred 4. effectively
Question 2
Virgin wood the fiber is excellent physical properties to give strength and durability (1) paper. The Wood Pulp is processed by the Eco-friendly system to achieve brightness (2) damaging the strength. Alkaline sizing is used to make paper which has pH greater than 7. It is uniform surface size coating of starch. Use of (3) grade fillers like PCC. It gives brightness and scatters values impacting the paper a lasting freshness with (4) abrasion factor.
1.to 2. without 3. quality 4. least
Man and animals have coexisted together in the world and living alongside each other.  Dynamic relation between animals and humans can be seen in two (1)  perspectives both positively and negatively. This relation is influenced by behavior

which (2)\_\_\_\_\_ emotional, psychological, and physical interactions. To take care of animals (3)\_\_\_\_\_ under the concept of animal rights. Animals should not be treated as

human's property, what can be used as for the purpose of food, clothing, entertainment and research. Animal rights advocates believe that animals at (4) have the right to life and right to freedom.
1. different 2. include 3. comes 4. least
Question 2
Music is a special art (1) multiple meanings. It has a different meaning to different people. Music is (2) life for musicians. They spend most of the time listening music. Youngsters often enjoy music (3) they are free. There are many different types of music like rap, latin, classical and many more because of different composers. They try their best to create their (4) music. Everyone can feel the emotions and expressions of the composer in their music.
1.with 2. like 3. when 4. own
Question 1
Boil the mixture of sugar and water to a wide pan. To make a smooth dough, (1) the cheese well. Take a small portion of chenna mixture to roll (2) should be tiny and not big. Add cardamom powder and rose water to the boiling sugar syrup. Add balls one (3) the another gently. Cover the pot and cook for 10 mins on a medium high flame. Stir every 3 minutes to ensure puffing. Wait (4) the rasgulla to rest and cool completely.
1.knead 2. which 3. after 4. for
Question 2
What is intelligence? In a survey of Robert J. Sternber, a group of people was asked to define what (1) meant be intelligence. There answer consists of three major components of intelligence which were problem-solving ability, the second was verbal abilities and the last one was social competence. Problem-solving ability tries to find out alternate solutions to (2) problem. Verbal ability though to exemplify intelligence. Social competence is the ability to show interest in (3) So intelligence can be explained in many ways as it is an abstract concept. Formal and informal ways help to judge intellectual activities to (4) individual intelligence.
1.they 2. the 3. others 4. measure
Set-6
Question 1
Alexander the Great was a successful ruler because his actions created long lasting on
cultures that continue to the present day. One example of his legacy was the creation of a
Hellenistic society. Hellenism was the of Greek, Persian, and Egyptian cultures.

During this remarkable time period, people were ......... to pursue a formal education and produce many different kinds of art. New forms of math, science, and design made a great impact on society. If this new way of life had not been as successful as it was, Alexander's legacy would not be as memorable and ground breaking as it is even today. Because he conquered many countries and blended together many different cultures, Alexander the Great is widely recognized for his ....... and credited with being one of the greatest rulers the history has ever seen.

A.

- 1. effects
- 2. effect
- 3. affect

# **Correct Option: 1**

В.

- 1. combination
- 2. combinations
- 3. combining

# **Correct Option: 1**

C.

- 1. encourages
- 2. encouraged
- 3. encouragement

# **Correct Option: 2**

D.

- 1. achievements
- 2. achievement
- 3. achieve

# **Correct Option: 1**

# Question 2

**Correct Option: 2** 

C.

The Super twenty just their first baseball game of the new season; I believe there is
much to be about. Although they lost, it was against an excellent team that had won
the championship last year. The Super twenty fell behind early but excellent teamwork
and back to tie the game. The team had 15 hits and scored 8 runs, which was excellent!
Unfortunately, they made 5 fielding errors, which kept the other team in the lead the entire
game. The game ended with the umpire a bad call, and if the call had gone the other
way, The Super twenty might have actually won the game. It wasn't a victory, but I say The
Super twenty look like they have a shot at the championship, especially if they to
improve.
A.
1. played
2. plays
3. play
Correct Option: 1
B.
1. excitement
2. excited
3. excite

Correct Option: 1
D.
1. came
2. come
3. will come
Correct Option: 1
E.
1. making
2. made
3. make
Correct Option: 1
F.
1. continues
2. continue
3. continued

1. showed

2. shows

3. show

**Correct Option: 2** 

**Question 3** 

Rohan used to do well in school, and people thought he was smart because of it. But it's not true. In fact, three years ago he ....... in school. However, two years ago he decided to get serious about school and made a few changes in his lifestyle and routine. First, he ....... he ...... become interested in whatever was being taught in the class, regardless of what other people ...... He decides he would work hard every day and never give up on any assignment. He decided to never, never fall behind. Finally, he ...... school a priority over friends and fun. After the ...... these changes, he became an active participant in classroom

discussions, his test scores began to rise. Some students made fun of him because "He was

smart." How exciting! It seems that being smart is simply a matter of working hard and being

interested. After all, learning a new sport or a video game is hard work even when you are

interested. Unfortunately, learning a new video game takes you nowhere.

A.

1. struggle

2. struggled

3. struggles

**Correct Option: 2** 

B.

1. decides

2. decided

3. decide

**Correct Option: 2** 

C.

1. would

2. will

3. shall

**Correct Option: 2** 

D.

- 1. thinks
- 2. think
- 3. thought

**Correct Option: 2** 

E.

- 1. made
- 2. makes
- 3. will make

**Correct Option: 1** 

F.

- 1. implementation
- 2. implementing
- 3. implement

**Correct Option: 1** 

#### **Question 4**

The proverb "Think before you Leap" has a deep meaning, which is always useful for a successful life. It .................... the idea that we should always think before we act. Impulsive actions always lead us to embarrassing and odd situations. As we should always think before we speak, in the same way we should always think before we act. Life is full of various factors, the factors which can ............. us for the moment but may lead us to failure or the factors which can repel immediately but may be the stepping stones ......... success. For example, going to a movie or playing video games may seem an attractive thing for the time being but can, in the course of time the .............. of it will disturb the studies of a student . Therefore, we should always put some ................... on our intuitive and impulsive desires and then act according to what our mind says is right.

A.

1. convey
2. conveys
3. conveyed
Correct Option: 2
B.
1. fascinate
2. fascinates
3. fascinated
Correct Option: 1
C.
1. to
2. towards
3. for
Correct Option: 1
D.
1. excess
2. excessive
3. access
Correct Option: 1
E.
1. restrain
2. restrict
3. restriction
Correct Option: 3
Question 5
Internet is one of the most creative and popular the world has ever seen. It has
efficiently up the possibilities of further advancements in many other fields of

existence. It has made our ...... convenient and has also made the world look smaller to us. Internet allows us to ....... the information displayed on various websites. These websites who display and add information to the internet have to follow certain set ...... for ensuring cyber safety. Internet opens up the possibility of various activities such as accessing almost all the books across the world, connecting with people across oceans, providing education even in the remote areas, paying bills while sitting in the comfort of our ....., shopping for anything at just the click of a button, ordering food quickly, learning what's going around the world and more. Searching information on the internet is a quick business and is very convenient.

A.

- 1. inventions
- 2. invention
- 3. innovation

#### **Correct Option: 1**

В.

- 1. open
- 2. opened
- 3. opening

# **Correct Option: 2**

C.

- 1. life
- 2. lives
- 3. lifestyle

#### **Correct Option: 2**

D.

- 1. excess
- 2. access
- 3. excessing

# **Correct Option: 2**

E.

- 1. protocols
- 2. protocol
- 3. rules

**Correct Option: 1** 

F.

- 1. home
- 2. house
- 3. homes

**Correct Option: 3** 

Set-7

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#### Question 1

Child trafficking is the form of trafficking in which children are kidnapped, bought ... and sold for the purpose of exploitation. It is amongst the .... growing crime globally. There is a ....... of several people involved in activities of recruiting, transporting and exploiting. They use various .......to trick the children or their families. Poor children are lured by high wages or a better lifestyle. Handsome amount is paid to the .......parents to sell their children. Later they are transported to different places where they are exploited within the country or abroad. Illegal documents are used for transportation of victims across the border. And finally they are exploited mentally and sexually by several people. They are forced to work, beg and steal, verbally and physically abused and kept under worst conditions. These innocent children are taken away from the families and are deprived of love and family environment which effects the growth and development of a child. It has the most ....... and severe effect on the life of children and their families.

Prevention of child trafficking is a global issue. Severe laws must be set against the grave problem of child trafficking. Legal processes must also stringently be implemented to prevent the crime and save the victims of child trafficking.

A.

1.

transported

2.

transport

3.

transporting

# Correct

# Option: 1

B.

- 1. fast
- 2. faster

3.

fastest

#### Correct

# Option: 3

C.

1.

passage

- 2. group
- 3. chain

#### Correct

# Option: 3

D.

1. ways

٠,	

mathods

3. paths

**Correct** 

Option: 1

E.

- 1. weak
- 2. vulnerable
- 3. defenceless

**Correct** 

Option: 2

F.

- 1. distressed
- 2. distressing
- 3. distress

**Correct** 

Option: 1

# **Question 2**

There are ....... issues on the way of women empowerment. ...... number of crimes against women in the society are raising the issues of rights of women in India. For the ...... of women empowerment in India, it needs to remove all the issues and challenges from the root that every women is facing over the years since independence. Most common issues are related to the education, poverty, health and safety of the women. After the independence, India has faced many challenges which created a huge difference between men and women especially in the field of education. The ratio between educated adult men and women in India is 82.14% and 65.46%. Women in India have been the ...... of exploitation for many

years despite of UN Charter of Human Rights and provisions of the Indian Constitution. This ratio in the education system can be ....... by educating women and making them independent. This will break the wall of inequality, negligence, intolerance, social taboo and exploitation of women in our society. Generally women are exploited in the home as domestic helps. If poverty, health, safety, crime and other issues related to women are ......, then we can see the real dream of women empowerment in near future.

# A.

- 1. many
- 2. more
- 3. several

#### **Correct**

#### Option: 3

B.

- 1. Rising
- 2. Increasing
- 3. Alarming

#### Correct

# Option: 2

C.

- 1. profit
- 2. betterment
- 3. benefit

#### Correct

# Option: 3

D.

- 1. victim
- 2. slave
- 3. sufferer

#### Correct

# Option: 1

E.

- 1. optimised
- 2. optimise
- 3. reduce

#### **Correct**

#### Option: 1

F.

- 1. removing
- 2. remove
- 3. removed

#### **Correct**

Option: 3

# **Question 3**

'Knowledge is Power' is a well-known ultimate

fact. Without knowledge it would have been impossible for human civilizations to ....... We live in the modern, .......

nation where one cannot cope with lack of knowledge. To compete and transform in the evolving scenario it is very important to stay up to dated. We are in a tech-savvy ....... where the use of new technology and gadgets is not obligatory but essential. One can only use technology if he/she is well-informed about how to use it ...... or we might just feel helpless and dependent on others. Knowledge is the key ...... progress and achieve success in life. One can gain knowledge not just by reading books but also by the practical experience they face in everyday life. Knowledge is more powerful than the physical strength as it gives us the ability to deal effectively with any situation in life. One can

achieve anything in life with the power of knowledge. Knowledge is a powerful
resource that we can gain and use in and the good news is it won't get
depleted.
A.
1. evolve
2. evolution
3. evolved
Correct
Option: 1
B.
1. urbanized
2. urban
3. urbanization
Correct
Option: 1
C.
1. era
2. generation
3. both 1 and 2
Correct
Option: 3
D.
1. well
2. wisely
3. without difficulty
Correct
Option: 1

E.

1. for

- 2. to
- 3. towards

#### Correct

Option: 2

F.

- 1. quantity
- 2. abundance
- 3. access

Correct

Option: 2

#### **Question 4**

Science is an integral part to ...... and

scientific temper among children, the youth and peor

a scientific temper among children, the youth and people in general is essential. Physics, chemistry, and biology are the basic streams of science introduced to children at school. Scientific experiments make the study of the different sciences interesting and easy to understand. They also help to make children more aware of and ....... to learn more of the world around them. Scientific studies and experimentation help in making

technological ..... that are adapted to create products and techniques to make

our day-to-day life more easy and comfortable. Technological advancement helps
in carrying out various processes and activities in a quicker and more reliable
way.
A.
1. education
2. teaching
3. schooling
Correct
Option: 1
B.
1. explanations
2. observations
3. remarks
Correct
Option: 2

C.

1. miracle

2. marvel

Correct

Option: 3

1. developing

2. develop

Correct

Option: 1

E.

3. developed

D.

3. phenomenon

- 1. curious
- 2. inquisitive
- 3. both 1 and 2

Correct

Option: 3

F.

- 1. discoveries
- 2. discovery
- 3. discovering

Correct

Option: 1

# **Question 5**

Drug addiction is a ..... disorder

that refers to the condition in which a person feels a strong need of drugs and can't keep from consuming the same. Drug addiction is a growing trend among young adults and is a major concern for the society. It is characterized by ............ engagement in desired spur despite its adverse consequences. The addictive stimuli are characterized by two factors – one is positive reinforcement and second is perceived to be intrinsically rewarding. A person develops and feels increasing pleasure in ....... drugs. The initial decision to take drugs is mostly voluntary for most of the people but with repeated use of drugs one develops the habit and ....... self-control that eventually leads to dependency. The dependency and over consumption of drugs can lead to ....... brain changes. Long term use of drugs can also affect the brain functions that include behaviour, learning, stress, anxiety and memory. Despite being aware of the adverse consequences people addicted to drugs continue using it as they simply cannot resist them. If one loses control over oneself and gets ...... in drug addiction one should definitely

A.
1. lingering
2. lasting
3. chronic
Correct
Option: 3
B.
1. neurotic
2. obsessive
3. access
Correct
Option: 2
C.
1. consuming
2. consumption
3. consume
Correct
Option: 1
D.
1. deprives
2. denies
3. withdraws
Correct
Option: 1
E.

consult a doctor. Right treatment and healthy lifestyle can help get rid of

drugs.

1. permanent

- 2. lifelong
- 3. Both 1 and 2

**Correct** 

Option: 3

F.

- 1. trapped
- 2. both 1 and 3
- 3. caught

**Correct** 

Option: 1

Set-8

### **Question 1**

Unemployment is an issue that plagues almost every country. When the number of jobs ...... by the youth and others in a country exceeds the number of available jobs, it gives rise to unemployment. Unemployment has harmful effects on the society and the economy of the country. Unemployed persons are unable to meet their requirements of food, clothing and shelter. The unemployed would form part of the poorer sections of society. With greater unemployment there is greater poverty. Without ...... to nutritious food, the poor and unemployed become vulnerable to develop illnesses and diseases of malnutrition that may become fatal too. Those who lack a livelihood, and are thus deprived of resources, may also lack access to hygiene and cleanliness that may make them ...... to ill health. Unemployed people are also liable to develop psychological conditions requiring medical attention. With greater unemployment there is an ...... in the number of homeless ...... and street dwellers. Unemployment is also responsible for increased beggary. When people are unable to satisfy their needs due to lack of sufficient resources, they have no other way ...... begging. With increased unemployment there is also a high rate of crime such as murder, rape, robbing, burglary and cheating in society.

Correct Option: 1
B.
1. access
2. excess
3. excessive
Correct Option: 1
C.
1. susceptible
2. subject
3. Nor 1 nor 2
Correct Option: 1
D.
1. rise
2. increase
3. grow
Correct Option: 2
E.
1. persons
2. people
3. pupils
Correct Option: 2
F.
1. accept
2. except

A.

1. demanded

3. demanding

2. demand

3. omit

**Correct Option: 2** 

**Question 2** 

Nature refers to the natural resources and natural surroundings. The life species in

nature are interrelated and create ...... in nature. They form a natural food chain

through which energy is passed from one species to the other. The series of .......

in which each organism feeds on the one below it in the sequence is called the food

chain in natural ecosystem. Food chain includes several plants, organisms, animals

and other living species. This natural food chain is the source of energy for the forest

species. The energy is passed from one creature to the other which helps them grow

and survive. For example in forest deer feeds on the grass and green plants and the

tiger feeds on the deer. Plants get their energy form sunlight and nutrients from soil.

Deer is herbivores animal. Herbivores depend on plants for energy and are

vegetarians. On the other hand tiger is a carnivorous animal. Carnivores eat

herbivores and sometimes other ...... for energy. So there is a whole chain that

includes plants, herbivores, carnivores and plants consume energy from sunlight.

And there are lots of animals that eat plants and meat both. These are called

omnivorous animals. For instance, black beer is an omnivorous animal. Some

omnivores also eat ..... animals and those are called scavengers. Thus, the chain

goes on. All the species on earth are important for the survival of entire series of

organisms and to balance the natural .....

A.

1. equivalence

2. equality

3. balance

**Correct Option: 3** 

B.

- 1. organisms
- 2. organism
- 3. organs

**Correct Option: 1** 

C.

- 1. carnivorous
- 2. carnivores
- 3. neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Option: 2** 

D.

- 1. dead
- 2. rotten
- 3. either 1 or 2

**Correct Option: 1** 

E.

- 1. cycle
- 2. not 1 nor 3
- 3. circle

**Correct Option: 1** 

#### **Question 3**

Physical fitness is really very much important in our life. Now-a-days, in the modern life, most of the people are moving towards more ..... lifestyle which is increasing the risk of diseases. Reduction in the daily activity level, gives rise to diseases such as bad cardiovascular fitness and ...... body weight. People, who are involved in the inactive lifestyle, must know the ..... of health and physical fitness so that they can involve themselves in the daily routine physical exercises in order to remain away from diseases and be fit. Being active is very necessary for keeping our body

functioning at a high level. Regular physical exercises help in maintaining the performance of lungs, heart and other major body organs. It burns off excess calories and keeps our weight under control. It also improves the muscle and bone strength, increases the joint flexibility as well as improves muscle ..... Most importantly, daily physical activities decrease the risk of heart diseases, risk of stroke, diabetes, high blood pressure, colon cancer, etc. Regular exercise increases the overall happiness in our life which keeps us mentally happy and peaceful too. It ....... the symptoms of depression, stress, anxiety and other mental disorders. We can get something good to our life, if we maintain our health and fitness. There are many activities which can keep us fit and happy for long time such as walking, cycling, swimming, biking, using gym, community centre, and other various sports

Α.

. . . . . . . .

- 1. deskbound
- 2. inactive
- 3. either 1 or 2

**Correct Option: 3** 

B.

- 1. increase
- 2. increasing
- 3. increase

**Correct Option: 2** 

C.

- 1. benefits
- 2. drawback
- 3. profit

**Correct Option: 1** 

D.

1. strength

- 2. endurance
- 3. both 1 and 2

**Correct Option: 3** 

E.

- 1. relieve
- 2. relieves
- 3. release

**Correct Option: 3** 

F.

- 1. activities
- 2. activity
- 3. Both 1 and 2

**Correct Option: 1** 

#### **Question 4**

The culture of India refers to the distinct .......of various religions' and societies in India. India has always been known for its traditions and amiability. The affection in relations and the high spirit of celebrations make our nation stand out ......... in the world. The vibrant culture of India is the fusion of different religions, cultures, food, festivals, dance, music, art and crafts. Everything from the cultures, traditions, values, beliefs, customs and rituals is unique in our country. The art of Indian culture blends all sorts of hues. India is one of the most ...... countries in the world.

Freedom to follow different religions is the phenomenon of congenial permanence of diverse cultures In India. In spite of cultural differences there is a sort of ....... in the country. India has set an example with brotherhood and cooperation across the world. The culture of our nation, India is traditional yet contemporary. The traditional Indian culture has transformed a lot with changing time and survives in modern era

with pride. Thus, India is a blend of and modern culture. People have the right
to worship and different religions.
A.
1. mixture
2. combination
3. mix
Correct Option: 1
B.
1. distinctively
2. distinct
3. different
Correct Option: 1
C.
1. secular
2. secularism
3. secular
Correct Option: 1
D.
1. unity
2. togetherness
3. Both 1 and 2
Correct Option: 1
E.
1. tradition
2. traditional
3. traditions
Correct Option: 3
F.
1. followed

2. follow

3. follows

**Correct Option: 2** 

**Question 5** 

Corruption in today's scenario is amongst the major ...... in the developing countries. One of the reasons why countries such as India and China haven't been able to come at same level with the developed nations even after having a pool of ..... minds is that corruption lies at the core of these countries. The general public in India is forced to indulge ..... corrupt practices at various phases in life. One of these is the time when the parents want to get their children admitted to a good school. School admission is a major problem especially in the country's capital, Delhi. Good education is the right of every child but is acquiring education a smooth process for children? The first step itself is extremely difficult. Parents struggle to get their children admitted to good schools. Schools demand .... donations to give admission to children. The government is very well aware about the corrupt means adopted by the schools to extract money. However, it does not take any strict action to stop the same. The ...... is not much different when the students go for university admissions. Children of big businessmen and celebrities get admission easily because of the power of money while those who deserve have actually worked hard for the admission and have to suffer. Such ...... practices must be stopped. Our nation can grow and flourish only when the problem of corruption is eradicated.

Α.

1. problem

2. problems

3. causes

**Correct Option: 2** 

1. in		
2. into		
3. beneath		
Correct Option: 2		
D.		
1. huge		
2. great		
3. big		
Correct Option: 1		
E.		
1. scenario		
2. picture		
3. none of these		
Correct Option: 1		
F.		
1. corruption		
2. corrupt		
3. corrupted		
C		
Correct Option: 2		
Set-9		

B.

C.

1. brilliance

2. brilliant

3. intelligence

**Correct Option: 2** 

An increasing growth rate of human population has led to a population ...... in countries like India. With increasing health care facilities and life expectancy, and an increasing birth rate and ........ death rate, there has been an increasing growth rate of human population. Population explosion leads to ..... pressure on the available limited resources. Population explosion has ...... the increase in agricultural production, housing facilities and health care facilities to meet the increased demand. Increase in agricultural output has been attempted by intensive cultivation, use of large amounts of chemical fertilizers and pesticides, and developing of genetically modified crops. This has resulted in various adverse effects. The need for increasing agricultural produce has resulted in the clearing of forests and utilizing the land thus available for growing crops. Deforestation has caused ...... imbalance. Increased use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides to increase crop output has also had a deleterious effect on the soil, the food chain and human health. Similarly, habitats like forests and grasslands have been cleared for creating housing facilities for people. High rise buildings are also built extensively to meet the high demand for housing. Likewise, the demand on limited resources like drinking water, fuel for heating in wintertime, and automobile fuel for transport puts a heavy strain on the resources. A large population also results in a high rate of unemployment as there may not be enough jobs to meet the high demand. A large population thus ...... a country's social, economic and environmental health.

A.

- 1. explosion
- 2. breakout
- 3. excessive

#### **Correct Option: 1**

B.

- 1. decline
- 2. declining
- 3. reduction

#### **Correct Option: 2**

C.

- 1. greater
- 2. increase
- 3. excess

#### **Correct Option: 1**

D.

1. necessitated

- 2. demanded
- 3. both 1 and 2

**Correct Option: 3** 

E.

- 1. environmental
- 2.ecological
- 3. Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Option: 2** 

F.

- 1. affects
- 2. effects
- 3. Either 1 or 2

**Correct Option: 1** 

# **Question 2**

world. But the television is also referred to as the idiot box, and watching it makes one
lazy and inactive. It is useful to watch the television to keep oneself abreast with the news
from around the world. Excessive watching of the television should, however, be
A.
1. methods
2. ways
3. procedure
Correct Option: 1
B.
1. happen
2. happening
3. happenings
Correct Option: 3
C.
1. reporting
2. report
3. reports
Correct Option: 2
D.
1. abreast
2. unaware
3. rest
Correct Option:1
E.
1. excessive
2. excessively
3. excess
Correct Option: 2

F.

1. avoided

2. neglected

3. abandoned

**Correct Option: 1** 

#### **Ouestion 3**

Floods are caused in water bodies as well as on land. When rains are very heavy or last for many days water bodies may receive more water than they can hold or more than their ........ Water then floods the water bodies, and also ....... its banks. The flooding of the water body then causes the land that lies beyond the water body, which is otherwise dry, to get flooded. Floods are, of course, a natural phenomenon. But ...... factors are also responsible for the incidences such as floods. For example, when trees are felled, and forests are cleared indiscriminately there is ecological damage. As trees help in holding the soil, when they are cut off the top soil becomes loose and gets easily ...... away when there are rains. This leads to silting of water bodies like lakes and rivers, and subsequently to flooding. The towns and cities in the ...... of the water bodies, also experience floods then. Floods are also an outcome of poor drainage systems in modern urban areas where there is a high density of human population. The cities' drains get clogged by the huge amounts of domestic garbage that also includes plastic waste. As plastic is nonbiodegradable it remains without getting decomposed. When there are ...... and continuous rains for some days the drains get totally choked leading to floods in the cities. Floods cause loss to life and property. Villages, towns and cities in coastal regions and near the banks of rivers are more vulnerable to floods.

Α.

- 1. capacity
- 2. strength
- 3. withstand

2. human – made
3. None of the above
Correct Option: 1
D.
1. swept
2. wash
3. washed
Correct Option: 3
E.
1. vicinity
2. enclosure
3. domain
Correct Option: 1
F.
1. less
2. torrential
3. copious
Correct Option: 2
Question 4

**Correct Option: 1** 

B.

C.

1. overflow

2. overflows

3. overflowing

1. man – made

**Correct Option: 2** 

Education sector is ....... those sectors that have benefitted immensely from the advent of computers and internet. Unlike the earlier times when the students had to take out time to visit the library and ....... through rows of books for hours and then collate the necessary information to prepare their notes, these days everything is just a click away. The time wasted in going to the library and searching and ....... important information can now be used in studying and learning the same. Distance learning has also been made easy with the help of computers. Students can now attend coaching and pursue courses via video lectures and online coaching.

Computer and internet has also made it easier for the students to find out about the future ....... of various professions and choose ....... career path accordingly. Not just students, computers have also made things easier for the teachers. They also get all the information about all they require right on their computer screen.

Knowledge sharing and ....... has also become much easier.

Α.

- 1. among
- 2. amongst
- 3. None

**Correct Option: 2** 

B.

- 1. surf
- 2.surfina
- 3. surfed

**Correct Option: 1** 

C.

- 1. collating
- 2. disperse
- 3. mix-up

**Correct Option: 1** 

D.

- 1. prospecting
- 2. prospect
- 3. prospects

E.

- 1. there
- 2. their
- 3. Both 1 and 2

**Correct Option: 2** 

F.

- 1. innovation
- 2. innovative
- 3. inventive

**Correct Option: 1** 

#### **Question 5**

Education helps in the all-round development of an individual. It helps in the mental and intellectual growth of a person. When education is accessible to all, society as a whole benefits greatly. The reach of education is an important indicator of a nation's growth. Teachers ....... the backbone of the education system. Without teachers education cannot reach the children and the youth. The nation owes it to the teachers for the spread and advancement of education and knowledge. Teachers must therefore be respected and receive due appreciation.

Α.

- 1. articulation
- 2. articulate
- 3. articulated

## **Correct Option: 3**

B.

- 1. huge
- 2. large
- 3. big

## **Correct Option: 2**

C.

- 1. prejudice
- 2. prejudices
- 3. None

### **Correct Option: 2**

D.

- 1. access
- 2. excess
- 3. axis

## **Correct Option: 1**

E.

1. skew

- 2. skewing
- 3. skewed

F.

- 1. form
- 2. forms
- 3. formed

## **Correct Option: 2**

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### **Question 1**

Poverty is lack of finance, status and other material possession. It is the ..... of overall wellbeing of a person and includes several dimensions. It refers to the deprived economic and social conditions. It indicates low income and inability to ..... the basic necessities such as food, shelter, clothing, education and healthcare. The cycle of poverty refers to the phenomenon where poverty continues for at least three generations i.e. the family has no living intimates who own and can transfer the social, cultural and intellectual capital important to change the economic condition. There are limited or no ....... for such families. There are many drawbacks that impact the circular ...... which makes it very difficult for the individual to break the cycle of poverty. Due to poor economic and social conditions and lack of education and connection it becomes impossible to get out of poverty. The main causes of cycle of poverty could be ..... of resources such as land, finance, education, knowledge and technical assistance, natural disasters, low productivity and income, unemployment, healthiness and business failure. It is something that passes to next generation and becomes a ........... Thus, it is a cycle that is hard to break.

Α.

- 1. deprivation
- 2. offer

3. bestowal
<b>Correct Option: 1</b>
B.
1. enquire
2. acquire
3. query
<b>Correct Option: 2</b>
C.
1. resources
2. resource
3. debts
Correct Option: 1
D.
1.coarse
2. coerce
3. course
<b>Correct Option: 3</b>
E.
1. lack
2. less
3. small
<b>Correct Option: 1</b>
F.
1. circle
2. trap
3. None
Correct Option: 2
Question 2

Girls' education and gender equality are the part of broader and holistic efforts made by the World Bank Group. It promotes girls' education and ...... that girls do not suffer unreasonably in poor and ....... family due to lack of support and care. It also works towards advancing the skills and creating job opportunities for young girls and women. Girls have equal ...... to education; though education system may vary in curriculum, administration and personnel, but it has a strong influence on the students they serve. Gradually, women are ...... their independence, using their rights for creating education and job opportunities for themselves. Gender inequality is clearly one of the important roadblocks in girls' education. Many communities in India still believe that boys are the only ...... of their culture and tradition; and girls are born to serve within the four walls of a home. Hence, it is important that holistic approach is adopted in order to encourage gender equality in each and every sphere whether it's home, office or any other government institution, etc. The open and honest discussion on girls' education and women empowerment can actually prove to be a solution to violence against females. Education will not only make them independent, but will also ...... their sound mental development and give them a stronger personality.

Α.

- 1. insures
- 2. ensures
- 3. ensure

**Correct Option: 2** 

B.

- 1. bad
- 2. worse
- 3. vulnerable

**Correct Option: 3** 

C.

1. rights

- 2. rite
- 3. right

D.

- 1. assertion
- 2. assert
- 3. asserting

**Correct Option: 3** 

F.

- 1. contenders
- 2. contender
- 3. contractor

**Correct Option: 2** 

F.

- 1. promote
- 2. increase
- 3. enhance

**Correct Option: 1** 

### **Question 3**

We do many different activities each day, and we need to do them on time. We have a fixed time to go to school each morning. We need to take the bus or go by bike or by foot and reach the school on time. If we are not punctual we lose out on completing all the activities we need to.

If we manage our time ....... we can accomplish all the activities and tasks we wish to. This requires drawing up a ....... time table. If we can stick to the time table we can then succeed in achieving our goals whether they are in the short term or long term. It is important that we draw up a time table that we can adopt practically. If it is impracticable we get

disappointed and ....... and discard it completely. Therefore, a time table must be one that we can go by. We also need to ...... our activities. If we give attention to the most important tasks we can achieve our long term goals easily. On the other hand, if we spend time on ..... tasks or on useless activities we reduce the productive time available for the important activities. We also need to ..... out the time of the day when we are most productive and complete important tasks at that time. For instance, the mind is the most refreshed after a good night's sleep, and that is when we can devote our time to doing our studies.

A.

- 1. effectively
- 2. efficiently
- 3. affectively

## **Correct Option: 1**

B.

- 1. practical
- 2. practice
- 3. practicable

## **Correct Option: 3**

C.

- 1. dejected
- 2. dejection
- 3. dejecting

### **Correct Option: 1**

D.

- 1. fix
- 2. priority
- 3. prioritize

## **Correct Option: 3**

E.

1. unimportant

2. less important

3. important

**Correct Option: 1** 

F.

1. find

2. figure

3. found

**Correct Option: 2** 

### **Question 4**

Moral values are ...... in children by the parents at home and the teachers at school. Childhood is when the morals take strong root and help the child ..... grow into a responsible and righteous person. Life has its ups and downs, but a morally strong person stays righteous, without giving in to pressures or temptations of any kind. Moral values help us make sound decisions in life so that we stay on the path of ......... Honesty and truthfulness are the two important pillars of moral values. Being honest and truthful requires courage and ......... When all individuals in a society are honest and truthful, the society at large is a transparent one free from corruption and ........ Honest individuals are law abiding citizens and this ensures that the society progresses in the correct direction. Being just is another important moral we should live by. When we are just we are being honest, truthful and fair. Stealing others' .......... is also a sign of dishonesty and injustice. Showing respect to others is also a moral value. It is also important to do our duties in the best possible way towards our family, society, nation and the world of which we are a part.

Α.

1. installed

2. instilled

3. inserted

**Correct Option: 2** 

B.
1. to
2. towards
3. into
Correct Option: 1
C.
1. virtue
2. disbelief
3. vies
Correct Option: 1
D.
1. None
2. boldness
3. baldness
Correct Option: 2
E.
1. decent
2. deceits
3. deceit
Correct Option: 3
F.
1. possession
2. possessions
3. poses
Correct Option: 2
Question 5
One must keep one' goals in sight and work toward reaching it. Discipline helps one
reach one's goal. Discipline can be by working in a systematic manner. For this

one must keep one's space of work neat and ......... This gives clarity to one's mind too. It is best to do one thing at a time. This helps in the efficient completion of the task at hand. Doing many ........ together creates unnecessary confusion, and one cannot derive the best from doing many activities at the same time. It is good to draw up a practicable time-table according to the goal one wants to achieve. Drawing up a schedule for each day for oneself makes it easy to be disciplined. One must stick to the time-table one draws for oneself otherwise the purpose is defeated. When one is ....... one cannot be disciplined. The attainment of one's goals also becomes difficult. Discipline requires that one follow the rules according to the activity one is ....... in. If one is driving on the road, for instance, traffic rules need to be obeyed. Similarly, at school, one needs to ....... the rules that are laid down for students by the school.

Α.

- 1. started
- 2. made
- 3. developed

**Correct Option: 3** 

B.

- 1. hindered
- 2. uncluttered
- 3. concealed

**Correct Option: 2** 

C.

- 1. activity
- 2. activities
- 3. actively

**Correct Option: 2** 

D.

- 1. apathetic
- 2. vivacious
- 3. diligent

E.

- 1. inoperable
- 2. disengaged
- 3. hooked

# **Correct Option: 3**

F.

- 1. follow
- 2. following
- 3. follows

# **Correct Option: 1**

Set-11

### **Question 1**

A.

- 1. passion
- 2. passions

	3.	possession			
Correct Option: 2					
В.					
	1.	Bosoms			
	2.	blossoms			
	3.	blossom			

C.

- 1. intelligence
- 2. intelligible
- 3. intelligent

# **Correct Option: 2**

D.

- 1. esteem
- 2. approbation
- 3. contempt

## **Correct Option: 3**

E.

- 1. birth
- 2. presence
- 3. creation

## **Correct Option: 1**

F.

- 1. finding
- 2. rounding
- 3. buzzing

## **Correct Option: 2**

## **Question 2**

The heavy flow of foreign talent is changing the face of American science. From 1980 to 1990 the proportion of foreign ........ students has grown from one in four to one in five of the total pool. Natural ...... are whether they crowd the workplace and whether they disproportionally contribute to U.S. science. A recent study by Sharon Levin and Paula

Stephen answers the second question in the................... They found that "foreign talent contributes significantly about what could be expected from their numbers." This was true in all the sample areas: members of the National Academies; first author of highly cited papers, of "hot" papers and of highly cited .........; and founders of biotechnology companies. Not only has the U.S. benefited from the ............ of foreign talent but also this talent is more likely to have been educated abroad than would be expected from the incidence of foreign-educated scientists and engineers in the populations. "Clearly the U.S. has benefited from the educational investment made by other countries." Still to be studied is whether native-born talent is ........ by this inflow, and, if so, whether the benefits outweigh the costs.

#### A.

- 1. doctrinal
- 2. doctored
- 3. doctoral

## **Correct Option: 3**

В.

- 1. concerns
- 2. findings
- 3. finding

## **Correct Option: 1**

C.

- 1. dissenting
- 2. affirmative
- 3. negative

### **Correct Option: 2**

D.

- 1. patents
- 2. patent
- 3. patterns

### **Correct Option: 1**

E.

- 1. influx
- 2. retreat
- 3. departure

### **Correct Option: 1**

- 1. disadvantage
- 2. disadvantaged
- 3. disadvantages

### **Question 3**

#### A.

- 1. fast
- 2. abstain
- 3. imbibing

## **Correct Option: 3**

B.

- 1. civilization
- 2. civilisation
- 3. civilize

### **Correct Option: 1**

C.

- 1. acquittal
- 2. blame
- 3. exculpation

### **Correct Option: 2**

D.

- 1. endemic
- 2. alien
- 3. foreign

E.

- 1. both 2 and 3
- 2. hoary
- 3. venerable

## **Correct Option: 1**

F.

- 1. affecting
- 2. affective
- 3. affected

### **Correct Option: 3**

## **Question 4**

Human belief in the existence of unknown and unseen power or force is religion. Etymologically religion is a belief in super ..... power. It consists of a series of performance and ...... which binds as well as links human beings with super natural power. The concept of religion is complex one. Some of its elements are :- (I) Belief is supernatural power (2) Belief in the holy or sacred; (3) Systems of rituals; (4) Sinful acts; (5) Mode of worship; (6) Liturgy and ideology and (7) Place of worship. Religion plays a significant role both for individual and Society. It has both positive and negative functions. As far as positive functions are concerned religion provides mental peace to the individuals, it ......social virtues, it promotes social solidarity, it humanized the animal in man, it is an agent of socialization, its promotes welfare, it gives recreation, it influences economy, it influences the political system and ....... self-confidences. Along with the positive functions the negative functions or dysfunctions of religion are: It ...... social progress and impedes social changes, it promotes evil practices, it is a source of exploitation, it encourages ......, it makes people fatalistic, it sometimes leads to violence and it creates a special group like saints, fakirs, sages, beggars etc.

A.

- 1. natural
- 2. nature
- 3. none

### **Correct Option: 1**

В.

- 1. practicing
- 2. practice
- 3. practices

C.

- 1. inculcate
- 2. inculcates
- 3. inculcating

## **Correct Option: 2**

D.

- 1. strengthens
- 2. strengths
- 3. strengthens

### **Correct Option: 1**

E.

- 1. facilitates
- 2. cripples
- 3. assists

## **Correct Option: 2**

F.

- 1. community
- 2. communalisms
- 3. communalism

### **Correct Option: 3**

### **Question 5**

Indian society is of average middle class people. They are worst sufferers of day to day ....... prices. Upper class people and big ...... never bother and suffer due to rising prices as their income also increases. But the income of the middle class ...... is fixed. If the income increases it is not ...... to the rising prices. The result is that they are the victims of rising prices. But the poor fellow can do nothing. After crying for some days he tries to adjust his budget accordingly. Even the government is unable to stop rising ....... It is also compelled to increase the rates of commodities under their control to reduce subsidy. Though the standard of living is also rising high in metros. To increase the demand of the new products electronic and print media is playing a major role. The purchasing power of money has ...... But there is no hope of checking the price rise.

## A.

- 1. soaring
- 2. sour
- 3. soar

# **Correct Option: 1**

B.

- 1. industrialist
- 2. industrialists
- 3. None

# **Correct Option: 2**

C.

- 1. persons
- 2. pupils
- 3. peoples

# **Correct Option: 1**

D.

- 1. proportionate
- 2. proportional
- 3. proportion

## **Correct Option: 1**

E.

- 1. pricing
- 2. price
- 3. prices

## **Correct Option: 3**

- 1.
- 2. decline
- 3. declined
- 4. declines

# **Correct Option: 2**

Set-12

## **Question 1**

#### Α.

- 1. degenerated
- 2. uncorrupted
- 3. None

### **Correct Option: 1**

B.

- 1. invigorating
- 2. enervating
- 3. slumping

### **Correct option: 1**

C.

- 1. acquitted
- 2. approved
- 3. condemned

## **Correct Option: 3**

D.

- 1. glee
- 2. acrimony
- 3. friendliness

### **Correct Option: 2**

E.

- 1. diocesan
- 2. monogamous

3. polygamy

## **Correct Option: 3**

F.

- 1. discord
- 2. unanimity
- 3. antagonism

**Correct Option: 2** 

## Question 2

While much public attention is given to identifying and measuring the ..... of chemicals, the amount of exposure is equally important. Even very toxic substances can do no harm if we are not exposed to them in sufficient amounts. The first step in exposure assessment is to determine possible pathways by which toxic chemicals may reach humans. The three most important pathways are inhalation (air transport), eating (food transport), and drinking (water transport). Pathways can involve many steps, and many substances have a number of different, often complex pathways. In the case of exposure by food, a ...... property is the tendency toward bio concentration. Bio concentration (sometimes called bioaccumulation or bio magnification) is the tendency of a substance to ...... in living tissue; it involves two steps. First, an organism takes in substance, but does not ..... or metabolize it. Then, a predator eats that organism and in the process ingests the substance already accumulated by its prey. This second step is common in fishes, shellfishes, carnivores such as eagles and cats, and other organisms that prey on smaller organisms so that the chemical is ...... by passage through the food pyramid. Mollusks, such as scallops, are exceptionally ...... to bio concentration because they feed by filtering millions of tiny plankton from the water.

Α.

- 1. wholesomeness
- 2. intuitiveness
- 3. moraines

### **Correct Option: 3**

B.

- 1. trivial
- 2. decisive
- 3. minor

**Correct Option: 2** 

C.

- 1. hoard
- 2. scatter
- 3. forfeit

D.

- 1. sanction
- 2. defecate
- 3. permit

# **Correct Option: 2**

E.

- 1. diluted
- 2. diffused
- 3. stuffed

## **Correct Option: 3**

F.

- 1. improbably
- 2. prone
- 3. upright

## **Correct Option: 2**

#### **Question 3**

Α.

- 1. prelature
- 2. multitude

	3.	handful			
Correct Option: 2					
В.					
	2.	dissimilar compatible			
	3.	synonymous			

C.

- 1. dimension
- 2. crookedness
- 3. angularity

## **Correct Option: 1**

D.

- 1. inaction
- 2. exertion
- 3. inactivity

## **Correct Option: 2**

Ε

- 1. laziness
- 2. fun
- 3. toil

## **Correct Option: 3**

F.

- 1. exclude
- 2. encompasses
- 3. free

# **Correct Option: 2**

### **Question 4**

The future prospects of the subcontinent depends to a great extent on peace and stability within the region, but one of the ............ factors hindering such peace is the ethnic conflicts which is ............ peace within South Asian nations of India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bangladesh. These ethnic conflicts can be equated with

identity conflicts where the definition or construction of threats, enemies and friends plays a pivotal role. India is long ..... by ethnic conflicts in its North-Eastern states originating mainly from identity crisis. Peace in the region would boost India's 'Look-East Policy'. Pakistan is also affected by conflicts among the groups like Mohazir; Biloch & Sindhi. The nation is already ...... by being hotbed of terrorism, military coups. So, Pakistan needs to solve these conflicts not only to establish peace in the country but also in the region. Peace would help the region to prosper and to a certain extent minimise major power interests in the region. Sri Lanka is being ravaged by ethnic conflicts between Tamils & Sinhalese. However, the Island nation is slowly returning to normalcy. Nepal, after the demise of monarchy, is still not able to frame a Constitution and is unable to accommodate the Maoists within the constitutional frameworks because of ...... differences. Bangladesh is passing through political instability over the years which is contributed by as well as contributing to the already existing conflicts within the country. These conflicts need to be gradually done away with in order to ...... in peace and stability in the subcontinent.

### Α.

- 1. inconspicuous
- 2. obscure
- 3. prominent

## **Correct Option: 3**

B.

- 1. rattle
- 2. appease
- 3. sooth

## **Correct Option: 1**

C.

- 1. effected
- 2. affected
- 3. None

# **Correct Option: 2**

D.

- 1. mended
- 2. ravaged
- 3. liberated

### **Correct Option: 2**

E.

- 1. persisting
- 2. halting
- 3. ceasing

F.

- 1. deficit
- 2. negate
- 3. usher

## **Correct Option: 3**

#### Question 5

Proteins are the polymers of amino acids which constitute the ....... structural unit of protoplasmic organelles, enzymes, and other macromolecules of biological importance. It serves as the energy source and source of nitrogen for body of organisms. Proteins in plants are synthesized within the body cells through a genetically controlled machinery by the ............ of nuclear DNA and Ribosomes. DNA produces messenger RNA by transcription. The sequence of m-RNA translates specific sequence of Amino Acids to produce a polypeptide chain which later ...... post synthetic processing transformed into primary, secondary and tertiary proteins essential for maintenance of life in a cell. DNA acts as the central ....... of protein synthesis and which especially controlled by genes present on DNA. In a protein amino acids link together by polypeptide bond in which the carboxyl group of one amino group of the other and so on. Ribosomal enzymes help in ......... of peptide bond and acts as the site for protein synthesis. The sequence of twenty different amino acids on a peptide chain is ....... by the sequence of triplet bases on the m-RNA.

Α.

- 1. prominent
- 2. trivial
- 3. envoy

### **Correct Option: 1**

B.

- 1. vice
- 2. disbelief
- 3. virtue

### **Correct Option: 3**

C.

- 1. oppose
- 2. undergo
- 3. veto

D.

- 1. dogma
- 2. ambiguity
- 3. uncertainty

## **Correct Option: 1**

E.

- 1. proletariat
- 2. formulation
- 3. elaboration

## **Correct Option: 2**

F.

- 1. irresolute
- 2. changeable
- 3. stead fasted

### **Correct Option: 3**

Ser-13

### **Question 1**

In most natural disasters, particularly in rural areas the number of animal deaths are very high, especially in residential areas, due to the fact that most ...... animals are kept tied up, and in the event of a disaster while the people ..... urgently, the animals left tied up have no chance of voluntary escape. As a result, they often perish. Disposal of dead animals is as important as that of humans because decaying dead bodies can be a ...... health and environment threat. Still, this aspect is usually ....... lower priority, more so in case of stray animals. The rescuers are not willing to handle animal carcasses. Yet, this must be done expeditiously by local volunteers till the authorities take charge and get the carcasses disposed. Disposal is best done by ....., at some place outside the inhabited areas. At such times, nobody should be allowed to hold on to the dead bodies for extraction of hides or bones or any other recoverable material, because the health threat is very high, and quickest disposal of the dead bodies is desirable. While burying the carcass, quick lime should be added as it will hasten the process and control the spread of any possible infection.

## A.

- 1. tamed
- 2. wild
- 3. housebroken

# **Correct Option: 1**

## B.

- 1. dawdle
- 2. flee
- 3. stay

# **Correct Option: 2**

## C.

- 1. unpromising
- 2. lurking
- 3. probable

# **Correct Option: 3**

## D.

- 1. dissent
- 2. disallowed
- 3. accorded

# **Correct Option: 3**

## E.

- 1. inefficiently
- 2. expeditiously
- 3. fleet

# **Correct Option: 2**

## F.

- 1. dumping
- 2. bury
- 3. burial

# **Correct Option: 3**

## **Question 2**

The increasing number of incidences of International Terrorism, couldn't awaken the US and the world from the ...... of overconfidence of their intelligence, and their preaching to sooth the wounds of the suffering nations was a routine political mechanism for them. The terrorist struck on the US 'heart and soul on Sept. 11, 2001 made every one aware to the grave menace of international terrorism and ...... the nations all over the world to initiate urgent measures to fight the devil. The terrorist attack on Indian Parliament on Dec 13,2001 made every leader vulnerable to any such attack and the urgency of taking measures against growth terrorism became more serious. On Sept. 21, 2002 the United Nations Security Council passed a resolution seeking all nations to enact laws to ..... terrorism. The U.K. had already passed Anti -Terrorism Act 2002 and India After independence several such laws were passed by the Union and State legislatures as per the requirements or whims of the ruling party, for varying purposes like Prevention of Detention Act 1950, Maintenance of Internal Security Act 1980. Terrorist and Disruptive Act 1985. POTO the ordinance was promulgated to a create a feeling of fear of gross penalties in the minds of terrorists and their ......, after an attack was made on Indian Parliament, later on became an Act in 2002, popularly called Prevention of Terrorism Act POTA.

### Α.

- 1. consciousness
- 2. slumber
- 3. awaken

### **Correct Option: 2**

B.

- 1. necessitate
- 2. dissuade
- 3. impede

### **Correct Option: 1**

C.

- 1. rim
- 2. ledge
- 3. centre

## **Correct Option: 2**

D.

- 1. hate
- 2. certainly
- 3. whims

### **Correct Option: 3**

### E.

- 1. promulgated
- 2. repressed
- 3. suppressed

## **Correct Option: 1**

F.

- 1. antagonist
- 2. accomplices,
- 3. adversary

## **Correct Option: 2**

### **Question 3**

Public speaking is an art; and, like every other art, it has to be learnt, both in practice and theory. For a man to say that he will never ...... a speech until he has learnt to speak is like saving that he will never go into the water until he has learnt to swim. One cannot learn to swim with-out going into the water, and one can never learn to speak in public without speaking in public. In both cases, one has to learn by practice; and no amount of theory without practice will be of any ....... A speech should always be carefully prepared before-hand. Preparation includes collection. selection and arrangement. First, collect materials for the speech—ideas, arguments, facts, illustrations bearing on the subject. Jot these down as they come to mind. Then select the most appropriate ...... the rest. Lastly, arrange the selected thoughts in an orderly and logical plan. Without all this, the speech will be badly arranged, ....., dis proportioned and full of repetitions. In public speaking the management of the voice is very important. Some speakers speak too low and cannot be heard well in a large hall. Some shout, and their voices are ...... by the echoes. Some talk so fast that they cannot be followed; and some speak so slowly as to tire their hearers' patience. The speaker should speak clearly, for all to hear; he should vary the ...... of his voice to avoid monotony and to enforce his meaning; and he should know when to make effective pauses. A speaker should watch his audience and speak to it directly, so as to "get across" to his hearers what he wants to say as persuasively and convincingly as possible.

#### Α.

- 1. bear
- 2. refrain
- 3. retain

## **Correct Option: 1**

B.

1. inappropriateness

- 2. avail
- 3. None

C.

- 1. scrap
- 2. discredit
- 3. sanction

# **Correct Option: 1**

D.

- 1. prolix
- 2. coherent
- 3. rambling

### **Correct Option: 3**

E.

- 1. sunk
- 2. drowned
- 3. Both 1 and 2

# **Correct Option: 3**

F.

- 1. None
- 2. unimportant
- 3. intonation

# **Correct Option: 3**

#### **Question 4**

Though the British intensified their policy of repressing the Extremists, they simultaneously also tried to ....... the Moderates through certain reforms. In AD 1909, they announced the Indian Councils Act, popularly known as the Morley-Minto Reforms. The reforms were named after Lord Morley, the Secretary of State for India and Lord Minto, the Indian Viceroy. Firstly, The membership of the Central Legislative Council and the Provincial Legislative Councils was...... However, less than half of the members were elected members. Also, the elected members were not to be elected by the people but by the influential sections of the society such as landlords, zamindars and businessmen. Secondly, The system of separate ........ was introduced. The Muslims were grouped into separate constituencies form where only Muslim candidates could contest elections. This .......was made to cut-off the

Muslims from the national movement by treating them as separate from the rest of the nation and to prevent Hindu-Muslim unity, something which the Congress had been trying to nurture. No significant improvement was introduced by these reforms. The British refused the Indian demand for 'swaraj'. The Congress opposed the creation of separate electorates for the Muslims. This system of separate electorates for the Muslims sowed the seeds of the policy of communalism.

- 1.
- 2. intensify
- 3. pacify
- 4. provoke

## **Correct Option: 2**

B.

- 1. inflated
- 2. contracted
- 3. shrunken

## **Correct Option: 1**

C.

- 1. Both 2 and 3
- 2. constituency
- 3. electorates

## **Correct Option: 2**

D.

- 1. removal
- 2. taking
- 3. provision

## **Correct Option: 3**

E.

- 1. sowed
- 2. scattered
- 3. strewed

## **Correct Option: 1**

### **Question 5**

India's capital, Delhi, is the most ...... city in the country. A recent survey conducted by consulting firm Ernst & Young. The study compared 48 cities on 57 parameters

including infrastructure, business, environment, standard of living and urban ....... Better infrastructure, higher per capita income and the Metro have had helped Delhi top the financial capital, Mumbai, as the place to be in India. Predictably, the capital's citizen are ..... about being on top of the heap. But hang on. It is important to place the ranking in perspective. Predictably, the capital's citizen are gung-ho about being on top of the heap. But hang on. It is important to place the ranking in perspective. A survey conducted by Mercer Human resource Consulting which included 215 cities ranked Delhi a lowly 148, Mumbai 151 and the IT hub Bangalore, at 153. None of our metros can claim to offer a minimum decent standard of living. Specific services such as health care, transport, housing and ...... are in a holy mess. Cities due to inept planning do not have the infrastructure and resources to accommodate the ...... migrant influx. Radical changes have to be wheeled in quickly in order to avoid a series of impending disasters. Urban ...... is bound to increase as India's economy expands. One way of easing the pressure on the metros is to focus on developing infrastructure and public services in tier- 2 cities, making them an attractive destination.

#### Α.

- 1. homey
- 2. fit
- 3. satisfactory

## **Correct Option: 1**

B.

- 1. impotence
- 2. yielding
- 3. governance.

## **Correct Option: 3**

C.

- 1. calm
- 2. gung-ho
- 3. aloof

### **Correct Option: 2**

D.

- 1. drudgery
- 2. vocation
- 3. recreation

### **Correct Option: 3**

E.

- 1. surge
- 2. decline
- 3. surf

F.

- 1. idleness
- 2. trek
- 3. exodus

## **Correct Option: 3**

Set-14

### **Question 1**

The word democracy is ...... from a conjunction of two Greek words "demos" meaning people and "kasha" which means rule. Thus democracy is when people choose to rule themselves or in the words of Abraham Lincoln, "government by the people, of the people, for the people". Obviously everyone in the country cannot possible take part in the government so the people elect those by whom they want to be governed. What is criticism? Any opinion against the ...... scheme is criticism. Criticism can be of two types — constructive and destructive. The purpose of ...... criticism is to improve the present for the good of all. This is a positive approach. Destructive criticism is usually criticism for the sake of criticism. It is a negative approach which is disconcerting at the individual level and destructive in general. Constructive criticism is a must for all democracies. It encourages ..... participation in the government, which is the hallmark of any democracy. Moreover, it ...... the politicians to accept responsibility for their actions and gauge the public response. It is a system of feedback by which the public pulse can be felt. When these forms are alive and active we may say democracy .......

A.

- 1. taken
- 2. derived
- 3. found

### **Correct Option: 2**

В.

- 1. existent
- 2. living
- 3. existents

### **Correct Option: 1**

C.

- 1. effective
- 2. constructive
- 3. Both 1 and 2

D.

- 1. peoples
- 2. local
- 3. public

## **Correct Option: 3**

E.

- 1. compels
- 2. dissuade
- 3. oblige

### **Correct Option: 1**

F.

- 1. cease
- 2. wither
- 3. thrives

### **Correct Option: 3**

### **Question 2**

The phrase 'Time is money' is very commonly used now a days and is very true when seen in the present scenarios and the current state of the society and the market as a general example. The economic shifts in terms of up's and down's are seen very ....... every day. The economic shift and the stock market value increase and decrease are now seen to be seen basically dependent on the functionalities and the various working ...... of the people associated with the company. Where every employee contributes a huge sum towards the development of the company and this helps in the understanding of the fact that every single moment the employee works in the company contributes if not a large sum but at least a little sum for the development of the company and thus contributing a sum and thus can be said that every moment contributes a sum and thus the term -time is money. Apart from this example various other more commonly ...... examples too can be given where it can be said that every single moment of hard work if not presently but definitely pays in the long run and thus every moment is ....... and thus the term money is a measure of time or a penny saved is a penny earned is very ..... with the father of all these terms that is 'time is money'.

A.

1. mildly

- 2. trivially
- 3. drastically

В.

- 1. lack
- 2. prowess
- 3. cowardice

## **Correct Option: 2**

C.

- 1. affiliated
- 2. detached
- 3. avoided

### **Correct Option: 1**

D.

- 1. impaired
- 2. adored
- 3. precious

### **Correct Option: 3**

E.

- 1. inapt
- 2. apropos
- 3. stupid

### **Correct Option: 2**

#### **Question 3**

Perhaps, the most fundamental question which divides sociologists is the ..... sociology as a science. The founding fathers of sociology took it for granted that sociology a science. Comte, the father of sociology, called sociology as the "queen of sciences". Since then many sociologists has come to view sociology in terms of natural sciences. But however there have been differences of opinion regarding the scientific nature of sociology. There is lot of ...... about the nature of sociology as a science. There are two schools thought or group regarding the nature of sociology as a science; some ....... claim that sociology is a science in its own rights. It is as much a science like other social sciences such History, Economics, Political science etc. Others deny its scientific status. Before forming an opinion on this subject, let us enquiry into what constitutes "Science". A science is "a branch of knowledge or study dealing with a body of facts truths systematically arranged and showing the operation of

general laws. It ...... facts and links them together in their causal sequence with a view to draw valid inferences. Scientific knowledge is based on reason and ........ According to William Estlinger, what distinguishes a science is that "it is exclusive and methodically based on reason". Experimentation and prediction are not its requirement it only signifies the instance of systematic methods of enquiry. According to Huxley a science is a systematic body of knowledge based on reason and evidences.

#### A.

- 1. lowliness
- 2. status
- 3. tag

## **Correct Option: 2**

В.

- 1. concurrence
- 2. controversy
- 3. forbearance

## **Correct Option: 2**

C.

- 1. amateur
- 2. complementary
- 3. reviewer

## **Correct Option: 3**

D

- 1. brings
- 2. distributes
- 3. collects

### **Correct Option: 3**

E.

- 1. concealment
- 2. evidences
- 3. disproof

## **Correct Option: 2**

F.

1. enquiry

- 2. inquiry
- 3. None

### **Question 4**

In order to prevent the spread of microbial diseases, we must take steps to check the growth of disease-causing micro-organisms and to prevent the microbial carriers like houseflies, mosquitoes and cockroaches from ....... For this, we must follow some guidelines. Eating a balanced diet: A balanced diet increases the ...... of our body against diseases. Proper storage of food and water: We must store food and water in closed containers to protect them from micro-organisms and insects. Maintaining personal ......: We must keep ourselves clean to prevent micro-organisms from entering our body. Vaccination: Diseases like T.B. (tuberculosis), measles, polio, chicken pox, typhoid, whooping cough and tetanus can be prevented by vaccinating children against them. Maintaining clean environment: Keeping our home and neighbourhood clean prevents the growth of both micro-organisms and their carriers. Proper disposal of wastes: Proper disposal of human ...... and domestic waste prevents the contamination of water which would otherwise cause many ....... diseases like cholera, jaundice, diarrhoea, etc.

#### A.

- 1. breeding
- 2. flying
- 3. raising

## **Correct Option: 1**

В.

- 1. compliance
- 2. resistance
- 3. assistance

### **Correct Option: 2**

C.

- 1. foulness
- 2. hygiene
- 3. solitariness

## **Correct Option: 2**

D.

- 1. waste
- 2. excreta
- 3. excretion

E.

- 1. water-borne
- 2. water-born
- 3. water-bourn

## **Correct Option: 1**

### **Question 5**

In less than a century, the British occupied a large part of India. The reason for the success of the British can be explained by a number of factors. The Indian states lacked unity. Powerful states such as Punjab, Mysore and the Marathas ....... to act unitedly against a common foreign ....... All of them fell prey to the British policy of 'Divide and Rule'. The British, on the other hand, were a united lot and under a unified command. The Indian rulers failed to create a stable social, political and economic order. Most of them were short-sighted in the ....... of their goals. They failed to win the loyalty of their subjects. The badly-trained and poorly-paid Indian armies were no match for the ....... and well-trained British forces. The Indians were technologically backward whereas, the British had developed new techniques of ........ The British were strong at sea. None of the Indian states had a strong navy. By the middle of the nineteenth century AD, the British had firmly established their position in India. A large part of the country was under direct British rule. The areas that remained independent were indirectly under British influence. India was subjugated politically as well as economically. The economic exploitation of India was a result of its political subjugation.

#### A.

- 1. ascended
- 2. failed
- 3. lost

#### **Correct Option: 2**

В.

- 1. army
- 2. enemy
- 3. associate

## **Correct Option: 2**

C.

- 1. trail
- 2. retreat
- 3. pursuit

### **Correct Option: 3**

- 1. disciplined
- 2. imprecise
- 3. unmethodical

## **Correct Option: 1**

E.

- 1. ceasefire
- 2. truce
- 3. warfare

### **Correct Option: 3**

F.

- 1. thrall
- 2. subjugation
- 3. retreat

## **Correct Option: 2**

Set-15

### **Question 1**

As opposed to the idea of 'counter' salesmanship, ...... salesmanship is outdoor salesmanship. It is the kind of salesmanship under which the salesman moves from his head branch office to the customers of a particular area which is generally called as sales ...... which is assigned to him. Traveling salesmanship is basically a creative salesmanship than competitive as he is to hunt the customers meet them, sell his ideas and clinch an order. His work is ..... type as he cuts new ice and he educates the customers and converts prospects into customers. He ...... the seeds to harvest the rich profits in due course of time. The life of a traveling salesman is not easy and cosy; instead it is really hard as he has to be always away from his family and his associates. He is always on the move staying at different places in the entire sales territory where he faces the basic problems of food and drinking water that has impact on his health both physical and mental. Because of this arduous work, his remuneration is so much higher for the sacrifices he makes for the company he works. This job is challenging, thrilling and rewarding. This type of salesmanship is more suitable to those who are interested in meeting new people, new places, learning new languages, and generating the committed class of customers by ...... of hard work and taint of impressive presentation and palatable persuasion.

Α.

1. moving

- 2. walking
- 3. travelling

## **Correct Option: 3**

B.

- 1. office
- 2. territory
- 3. branch

## **Correct Option: 2**

C.

- 1. terminating
- 2. ceasing
- 3. pioneering

## **Correct Option: 3**

D.

- 1. antagonists
- 2. rivals
- 3. associates

## **Correct Option: 3**

E.

- 1. dig
- 2. sows
- 3. raze

## **Correct Option: 2**

F.

- 1. dint
- 2. idleness
- 3. lethargy

## **Correct Option: 1**

## **Question 2**

Food preservation adds variety to the food. For example, in the ...... of fresh peas during the hot summer months, canned or dehydrated peas may be made use of. Food preservation **increases the shelf life** of food. Pineapples, cherries and other

fruits and vegetables may be preserved by different ...... for long periods of time. Food preservation **increases the food supply.** Food preservation **decreases the ......** of food. Excess foods which would have otherwise been wasted, when processed and preserved add to the existing supplies, thus also decreasing the wastage of food. Food preservation **decreases dietary ........** Variety in diet is brought about with the help of preserved foods. For example, some Middle-East countries do not grow any vegetables due to arid soil conditions, this shortcoming is overcome through the import of fresh and preserved fruits and vegetables. However, the Middle East countries are the chief exporters of dates and dry fruits. Likewise, certain regions of a country which may be lacking in a particular food item, can make good the deficiency by ....... them from various regions where it is plentiful. In the snow-bound areas of the Himalayas most often, food is brought in from other parts of the country.

#### Α.

- 1. absence
- 2. abundance
- 3. existence

## **Correct Option: 1**

B.

- 1. Both 2 and 3
- 2. methods
- 3. ways

### **Correct Option: 1**

C.

- 1. wastage
- 2. usage
- 3. None

## **Correct Option: 1**

D.

- 1. excess
- 2. abundance
- 3. inadequacies

## **Correct Option: 3**

E.

- 1. disengage
- 2. procuring

### 3. blocking

## **Correct Option: 2**

#### **Question 3**

When a cell is kept in water or in a solution less ....... than the cell sap, water enters the cell. This increases the volume of the cell and the protoplasm ...... pressure against the cell wall. As a result of this the cell wall becomes ....... This state of the cell is termed turgid condition. *Turgidity is the fully expanded condition of a cell with its wall stretched due to excessive accumulation of water. The ........ pressure exerted by the cell fluid on the cell wall is called turgor pressure. The inward pressure exerted on the cell contents by the stretched cell wall is called wall pressure.* Normally these two pressures counterbalance each other and a state of ....... is maintained between them. Three factors influence the turgidity of a living cell. These are: (a) formation of osmotically active substances inside the cell, (b) an adequate supply of water, and (c) a semi-permeable membrane. It helps in the movement of nutrient solutions from cell to cell. This is because of the difference in the concentration of the cell ...... between one cell and the other. It is necessary for the growth of different organs.

### Α.

- 1. condensed
- 2. saturated
- 3. fragile

## **Correct Option: 2**

B.

- 1. lazes
- 2. conceals
- 3. exerts

### **Correct Option: 3**

C.

- 1. stretched
- 2. compressed
- 3. bloated

## **Correct Option: 1**

D.

- 1. None
- 2. outward
- 3. inward

## **Correct Option: 2**

E.

- 1. equilibrium
- 2. agitation
- 3. excitement

## **Correct Option: 1**

F.

- 1. sapling
- 2. sap
- 3. sampling

## **Correct Option: 2**

#### Question 4

This realm consists of all water bodies, including the vast oceans, lakes, seas, rivers and ponds. They cover 71 per cent of the earth's surface. The oceans are large salt water bodies separated by continents. The largest and deepest ocean is the Pacific. Its ...... point is the Mariana Trench. This ocean fills the gap between Asia and Australia on the west and America on the east. The Atlantic Oceans is an 'S' shaped water body between the America on the west, and Europe and Africa on its east. Its waters enter through the narrow ..... of Gibraltar into the Mediterranean Sea which separates Africa from Europe. It is a narrow neck of water between two landmasses that join two water bodies. The Indian Ocean is located at the head of the Indian subcontinent. It ........... from the edge of Africa to Australia in the east. .... are small water bodies surrounded by land while others of larger size are called seas, e.g. Caspian Sea, Aral Sea and Dead Sea. Locate them in your atlas. Apart from seas there are gulfs and bays. A gulf is a body of water jutting deep into the land e.g. Persian gulf and Gulf of Guinea while a bay is an inlet of the sea wider than a gulf, e.g. Bay of Bengal and Bay of Biscay.

#### Α.

- 1. highest
- 2. steepest
- 3. deepest

## **Correct Option: 3**

B.

- 1. closure
- 2. strait
- 3. ease

## **Correct Option: 2**

C.

- 1. moves
- 2. stretches
- 3. starts

## **Correct Option: 2**

D.

- 1. rivers
- 2. ponds
- 3. lakes

## **Correct Option: 3**

E.

- 1. inlet
- 2. slew
- 3. loch

## **Correct Option: 1**

### **Question 5**

Curzon came to India in December 1898. He ...... unpopular measures which intensified the opposition to British rule. The partition of Bengal's object was given out as administrative ....... But the real object of division was to create hatred among the Hindus and Muslims to make the nationalist movement weak. The group which led to the extremists in the Congress consisted of Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Bipin Chandra Pal and Lala Lajpat Rai. They were popularly known as 'Lal Bal Pal'. They ...... the past of India in order to inculcate self confidence and national pride in the Indians. In 1897 Tilak was prosecuted and sentenced to 18 months .......... imprisonment for his ......writings and speeches. He had started Kesari and Maratha newspapers. He also revived the Ganpati and Shivaji festivals and made use of them for arousing national feelings. In Bengal, the cult of the goddess Kali was adopted. The extremists condemned the old leadership of the Congress for their praise of Western culture and their faith in the British government. There were a lot of differences in ...... between the extremists and the moderates. The 'extremist' leaders drew masses into the struggle, particularly in urban areas. The mobilization of youth, for the struggle was a main contribution of the 'extremists.'

Α.

- 1. overlook
- 2. imposed
- 3. prevent

Correct Option: 2
B.
<ol> <li>hindrance</li> <li>in utility</li> <li>convenience</li> </ol>
Correct Option: 3
C.
<ol> <li>extolled</li> <li>castigate</li> <li>condemn</li> </ol>
Correct Option: 1
D.
<ol> <li>lenient</li> <li>imprecise</li> <li>rigorous</li> </ol>
Correct Option: 3
E.
<ol> <li>alienated</li> <li>seditious</li> <li>estranged</li> </ol>
Correct Option: 2
F.
<ol> <li>dovishness</li> <li>hawkishness</li> <li>outlook</li> </ol>
Correct Option: 3
Set-16
Question 1
I do remember it. And I'm grateful. But I can't help feeling that a woman capable of taking other people's lives and juggling with them as if they were India-rubber balls as she did with ours, is likely at any moment to break out in a new place. My gratitude to her is the sort of (1) [hat tip] you would feel toward a cyclone if

you were walking home late for dinner and it caught you up and deposited you on your doorstep. Your Aunt Lora is a human (2) \_\_\_\_\_[storm]. No, on the whole, she's more like an earthquake. She has a habit of splitting up and altering the face of the world whenever she feels like it, and I'm too well satisfied with my world at present to (3) \_\_\_\_\_[enjoy] the idea of having it changed."

Little by little the garrison of the studio had been (4) \_\_\_\_\_ [small slice] down. Except for Steve, the community had no regular members outside the family itself. Hank was generally out of town. Bailey paid one more visit, then seemed to consider that he could now absent himself altogether. And the members of Kirk's bachelor circle stayed away to a man.

### Q 1.

- 1. A) Tippy
- 2. B) Gratitude
- 3. C) Excellence.
- 4. D) Battle.

Answer: Gratitude

### Q 2.

- 1. A) Cyclone
- 2. B) giant
- 3. C) Chin
- 4. D) Hunter

Answer: Cyclone

### Q 3.

- 1. A) Good
- 2. B) relish
- 3. C) delicious
- 4. D) Happy

Answer: relish

### Q 4.

- 1. A) slice
- 2. B) whittled
- 3. C) Cut
- 4. D) levelled

Answer: whittled

## Question 2

Complete the following paragraph with the help of the words given at the end.

## Q 1.

- 1. A) birds
- 2. B) women
- 3. C) students
- 4. D) nice people

Answer: B) women

## Q 2.

- 1. A) Diction
- 2. B) linguistics
- 3. C) Word well
- 4. D) vocabulary

Answer: D) vocabulary.

### Q 3

- 1. A) intermediate
- 2. B) middle
- 3. C) half
- 4. D) split

## Q 4

- 1. A) broken
- 2. B) damaged
- 3. C) Clear
- 4. D) fragile

Answer: Fragile

### **Question 3**

Read the following paragraph and complete it using the words given in the options:

He was a manly man, free from any strong (1) [mother] strain, and he had loved his dark-eyed, dainty bright-coloured, and active little wife with a real vein of passion in his sentiment. But he had always felt (he had never allowed himself to think of it) that the promptitude of their family was a little (2) [insensitive] of her, and in a sense an intrusion. He had, however, planned brilliant careers for his two sons, and, with a certain human amount of warping and delay, they were pursuing these. One was in the Indian Civil Service and one in the rapidly developing motor business. The daughters, he had hoped, would be their mother's care.
Q 1.
<ol> <li>A) maternal</li> <li>B) Paternal</li> <li>C) Mother</li> <li>D) Childish</li> </ol>
Ans: A) maternal
Q 2.
<ol> <li>A) tactful</li> <li>B) indelicate</li> <li>C) insensitive</li> <li>D) non-proportionate</li> </ol>
Question 4
Smile, they say, and soon there will be miles and miles of smiles. If we keep(1) ourselves and do not mix with others, we shall soon be left alone to ponder(2) the misfortunes of life. Nobody likes to come across a(3) and self-centred person. People(4) gregarious and outgoing souls who are prepared to share their joys and sorrows(5) if they have the capacity to laugh(6) their problems and miseries. Laughter brings people(7) whereas keeping to oneself distances people. It has(8) been rightly said that laughter is the shortest distance between two persons. Once two persons(9) together, the circle of acquaintance and consequently friendship(10), thus making the world a happy place to live in.
<ol> <li>(a) by (b) to (c) with (d) into (e) across</li> <li>(a) over (b) on (c) at (d) upon (e) above</li> <li>(a) sad (b) serious (c) glum (d) selfish (e) resent</li> <li>(a) like (b) love (c) hate (d) dislike (e) resent</li> <li>(a) disappear (b) vanish (c) increase (d) fade out (e) develop</li> <li>(a) at (b) over (c) away (d) on (e) above</li> </ol>

Answers: (1) b. (2) a. (3) c. (4) b. (5) b. (6) c. (7) c. (8) d. (9) b. (10). D

10. (a) widens (b) broadens (c) increases (d) grows (e) narrows

7. (a) close (b) near (c) together (d) apart (e) different 8. (a) hence (b) so (c) however (d) therefore (e) thus

9. (a) get (b) come (c) sit (d) are (e) go

### **Question 5**

It is niether the size nor the length of life which makes man ...1... The growth of mind and intellect in ..2.. in proportion to the growth of the human body. The man may ...3... physically the state of a giant, yet he may remain ..4.. a dwarf. The true worth of man ...5... upon his action, dead and thought. Man is not like a tree. An oak tree ...

- 1. (a) human
  - (b) polite
  - (c) better
  - (d) humble
- 2. (a) roughly
  - (b) usually
  - (c) ever
  - (d) never
- 3. (a) earn
  - (b) attain
  - (c) keep
  - (d) grow
- 4. (a) morally
  - (b) spiritually
  - (c) socially
  - (d) intellectually
- 5. (a) depends
  - (b) lies
  - (c) revolves
  - (d) gatheres

Set-17

# **TCS English Questions and Answers**

### Question 1

Most of us are (\_ 1 \_) of open conflict and avoid it if we can. And there is a (2\_) to expressing and working through conflict. If the working through involves harsh words

and name-calling people feel deeply hurt and relationships can be ( 3\_). Sometimes permanently. Some group members may be afraid that if they really( 4\_) their anger, they may go out of control and become violent, or they may do this. These fears can be very ( 5\_) and based on experience. So why take the risk? Why not avoid conflict at all costs? Conflict is rather like disease ( 6\_\_\_) is best, that means attuning to areas where ( 7\_) may occur before they become an issue. If you have, not (\_\_\_8\_) a conflict happening, your next choice is to treat it early, or hope that it goes away. If it goes away over time fine. If it ( 9\_). then you will still have to handle (treat) it and it is likely to be more (\_\_\_10\_\_\_).

1. (a) scared

(b) careful

areas where (7_) may a conflict happening, y it goes away over time is likely to be more (
1. (a) <b>scared</b>
(b) careful
(c) reckless
(d) aware
(e) worried
2. (a) challenge
(b) measure
(c) principle
(d) chance
(e) risk
3. (a) established
(b)maligned
(c)damaged
(d) rebuilt
(e) involved
4. (a) sublimate
(b) express
(c) minimize

(d) regulate

(e) control

5. (a) baseless
(b) imaginary
(c)exaggerative
(d) <b>real</b>
(e) national
6. (a) cure
(b) diagnosis
(c)prescription
(d)prevention
(e) medicine
7. (a) harmony
(b) discomfiture
(c)disagreement
(d)consensus
(e) statement
8. (a) expressed
(b) <b>ignored</b>
(c) induced
(d) seen
(e)perverted
9. (a) <b>doesn't</b>
(b) wont
(c) don't
(d) not
(e)hasnt

### 10. (a) credible

- (b) serious
- (c) fraudulent
- (d) urgent

## **Question 2**

My mother waved me goodbye and the bus (1). The man sitting (2) to me was a doctor (3) to Kannur, (4) participate in a conference.

- 1. (1) going (2) **started** (3) arrived(4) stopped (5) travelling
- 2. (1) **next** (2) besides (3) near
- (4) side (5) neighbour
- 3. (1) coming (2) arriving (3) going
- (4) visiting (5) flying
- 4. (1) **to** (2) for (3) so
- (4) and (5) then

### **Question 3**

Essentially I am interested in (1) world, in this (2), not in some other (3) or a future life.

- 1. (1) **this** (2) that (3) real
- (4) imaginary (5) our
- 2. (1) life (2) reality (3) existence
- (4) truth (5) faith
- 3. (1) reality (2) world (3) life
- (4) plan (5) universe

### **Question 4**

Whether there is such a (1) as a soul, or whether there is survival after (2) or not, I do not know; and important as these (3) are, they do not trouble men in (4).

- 1. (1) fact (2) **thing** (3) reality
- (4) idea (5) organ

- 2. (1) life (2) existence (3) death
- (4) reality (5) birth
- 3. (1) problems (2) situations (3) questions
- (4) queries (5) facts
- 4. (1) **the least** (2) the most (3) not at all
- (4) actually the best (5) least

### **Question 5**

Operation Flood was (1) with the primary objective of (2) rural milk producers with urban milk consumers, by (3) viable producer co-operatives in the milk sheds, and thus (4) the rural milk producers to earn higher income from milk.

- 1. (1) launched (2) devised (3) started
- (4) begun (5) visualised
- 2. (1) making (2) joining (3) linking
- (4) connecting (5) planning
- 3. (1) **creating** (2) exposing (3) generating
- (4) providing (5) giving
- 4. (1) making (2) hoping (3) enabling
- (4) giving (5) offering

Set-18

#### Question 1

In all kinds of writings (1) is the most (2) virtue. You should write in a simple and (3) manner. The words chosen should be (4) in meaning. Try not to use (5) words merely because they are (6).

- 1. (1) simplicity
- (2) complexity
- (3) vagueness
- (4) toughness
- (5) difficulty
- 2. (1) natural
- (2) romantic

(4) hidden
(5) noticeable
3. (1) tough
(2) natural
(3) straightforward
(4) showy
(5) powerful
4. (1) correct
(2) clear
(3) apt
(4) suitable
(5) powerful
20. (1) difficult
(2) fine
(3) lengthy
(4) small
(5) beautiful
6. (1) easy
(2) familiar
(3) good
(4) literary
(5) showy  Question 2
QUESTION 2

(3) admired

Taking a strong view \_(a)\_(defending) the Centre's recent notification, which has banned the sale of cattle for \_(b)\_(farming) in animal markets, the Congress-ruled Karnataka's Law Minister told the State Cabinet that the new rules are "\_(c)\_ (constitutional) and will not stand the test of law." He briefed the Cabinet about legal issues related to the Centre's new rules, observed that The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act and the new rules framed by the Centre are \_(d)\_(contradictory) as the former does not support such rules. The Centre should have \_(e)\_(eliminated) the Act itself if it wanted to bring \_(f)\_ (down) such rules.

- 1. Mark the correct option for blank \_(a)\_.
- 2. for
- 3. in favour of
- 4. upholding
- 5. against
- 6. Given option is correct
- 2. Mark the correct option for blank \_(b)\_.
- 3. agriculture
- 4. rearing
- 5. milk products
- 6. slaughter
- 7. Given option is correct
- 3. Mark the correct option for blank \_(c)\_.
- 4. anti-constitutional
- 5. legal
- 6. justified
- 7. innovative
- 8. Given option is correct
- 4. Mark the correct option for blank \_(d)\_.
- 5. in accordance
- 6. complementary
- 7. additional
- 8. superfluous
- 9. Given option is correct
- 5. Mark the correct option for blank \_(e)\_.
- 6. amended
- 7. discarded
- 8. deserted
- 9. addressed
- 10. Given option is correct
- 6. Mark the correct option for blank \_(f)\_.
- 7. about
- 8. up
- 9. out
- 10. in
- 11. Given option is correct

### **Question 3**

Ahead of the likely visit of Prime Minister Naendra Modi to Israel in June, India has approved a deal to \_(a)\_(separately) develop a medium range surface-to-air missile

(MR-SAM) system for the Army in a ₹17,000-crore deal. This is the \_(b)\_(strongest) in a series of other variants of SAM systems for the Navy and the Air Force being jointly developed with Israeli help \_(c)\_(under) deals estimated at billions of dollars. The Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS), \_(d)\_(comprised) by Mr. Modi, at a meeting gave the \_(e)\_ (go-ahead) for the deal to be executed by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and Israel Aerospace Industries. (IAI) .

	1	.Mark	the	correct	option	for	blank	(a)	) .
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- 1. single-handedly
- 2. in advance
- 3. openly
- 4. jointly
- 5. Given option is correct
- 2. Mark the correct option for blank \_(b)\_.
- 3. more vehement
- 4. declared
- 5. oldest
- 6. latest
- 7. Given option is correct
- 3. Mark the correct option for blank \_(c)\_.
- 4. for
- 5. from
- 6. of
- 7. on
- 8. Given option is correct
- 4. Mark the correct option for blank \_(d)\_.
- 5. headed
- 6. attended
- 7. designed
- 8. consisted
- 9. Given option is correct
- 5. Mark the correct option for blank \_(e)\_.
- 6. idea
- 7. hint
- 8. suggestions
- 9. proposals
- 10. Given option is correct

## **Question 4**

Started as a _	(a) in	itiative of the D	epartment of	f Agriculture a	and Indian	
Farmers fertili	zers Coopera	tive Limited (II	FFCO) Bihar	government l	has started a ca	۱l
centre to(	b) various	s difficulties fac	ced by the far	ming commu	nity. The call	
centre will	(c) a tear	n of 12 agricul	tural experts	who will answ	ver the farmer's	;

rainfal crops, farmin	on 10 available phone lines. In a state like Bihar where floods caused by I and water released by Nepal act as a major(d) of the standing these kind of small but supporting initiatives will definitely encourage the g community as well as the young people to come ahead and work hand in with the government in increasing the agricultural productivity and(e) of ate.
1.	Select the correct option for blank(a)
2.	Inaugural
3.	Significant
4.	Popular
5.	unanimous
6.	joint
2.	Select the correct option for blank(b)
3.	resolve
4.	face
5.	analyse
6.	highlight
7.	scrutinize
3.	Select the correct option for blank(c)
	comprise
5.	comprise of
6.	contain
7.	consist
8.	allow
4.	Select the correct option for blank(d)
5.	nourishment
6.	source
	destroyer
	aid
	supplement
	Select the correct option for blank(e)
	yield
	dearth
8.	barrenness

## **Question 5**

9. austerity10. prosperity

The government has done well to end the exchange of old notes for new and ask people, (1), to deposit the old currency in their (2) bank accounts. This could well have been done right at the (3) as well All that would have been required was to set up additional Aadhaar-issuing counters and bank account —opening counters to (4) people without know-your-customer documents or bank accounts acquire the bank accounts needed to deposit their cash.

1. A)despite B)instead C)however D)rather E)nevertheless
2) A)accounts B)banks C)books D)possession E)credit
3) A)outset B)onset C)move D)beginning E)end
4) A)block B)hurt C)stop D)check E)help
Set-19
Question 1
(i), even in Delhi, however, takes place in small (ii) shanties, where workers wear no (iii) clothing and the process can be as (iv) as chopping the material, making it into long strings, and then beads which can be later (v)
Q1. (a) Reviving (b) Recycling (c) Restoring (d) Replenishing
Q2.

(a) Clandestine (b) Concentrated

(c) Closed (d) Fetid
Q3. (a) Conservative (b) Sheathing (c) Protective (d) Enclosing
Q4. (a) Cumbersome (b) Crude (c) Strong (d) Difficult
Q5. (a) moulded (b) structured (c) manufactured (d) differentiative
Question 2
The fact is that democracy is the only (i) system that can preserve the Indian entity, constitute its whole beyond the sum of the various fragments that go into its making and (ii) its invaluable genius of stumbling along (iii) a humane order. If democracy in India is done (iv) with, India itself will (v) in the morass of the various particularities that constitute it.
Q1. (a) viable (b) fundamental (c) possible

(d) acceptable

Q2. (a) suggest (b) promote (c) inscribe (d) incite
Q3. (a) with (b) towards (c) to (d) for
Q4. (a) off (b) up (c) away (d) out
Q5. (a) vanish (b) sink (c) surrender (d) finish
Question 3
To spoil a heritage is not difficult but to maintain it in its (i) form is becoming (ii) difficult. While it was in tune with the times to hold the Republic Day parades marking the (iii) of India as the new Republic, and while it is lovely to see families and children gathering around the (iv) of India. Gate during summer evenings, none of these things have (v) the formal design of the place or its ambience and atmosphere.
Q1. (a) truce

(b) realm (c) original (d) lega
Q2. (a) infinitely (b) increasingly (c) incessantly (d) introvertly
Q3. (a) incoming (b) entrance (c) emergence (d) appearance
Q4. (a) proximity (b) premises (c) pavilion (d) precincts
Q5. (a) suffocated (b) mutilated (c) mentioned (d) differentiated
Question 4
There is a school of thought that some kinds of complex governance/policy making functions should be insulated from the tumult of partisan politics by (A) them to technocrats. Giving in to the seductive appeal of this argument to the

	(B) of breaking the line of accountability of policymakers to the people altogether would undermine democracy and run the risk of these technocratic bodies being captured by (C) interests, instead of practicing fidelity to professionalism. The proposal of the RBI Urjit Patel committee to entrust monetary policy (D) to a committee of wise men in which even the RBI governor would have just one vote and can be overruled (E) to this school.
	1. Which of the following option be replaced in(A)?
a)	imposing
b)	holding
c)	entrusting
d)	allocating
e)	None of these
	2. Which of the following option be replaced in(B)?
a)	length
b)	stretch
c)	term
d)	extent
e)	None of these
	3. Which of the following option be replaced in(C)?
a)	vested
b)	simple
c)	any
d)	compound

e)	None of these
	4. Which of the following option be replaced in(D)?
a)	beginning
b)	building
c)	setting
d)	initiating
e)	None of these
	5. Which of the following option be replaced in(E)?
a)	associates
b)	agrees
c)	concerned
d)	belongs
e)	None of these
	Question 5
	If everyone in India rises to the Prime Minister's challenge to usher in a spotlessly clean India in the next few years, the logistical (A) will be mind –
	boggling. Hopefully, civic agencies all over the country are gearing up for such an eventuality well in advances, unlike their lackadaisical (B) to the annual
	monsoon deluge (C). For, even without India being primed to take up the broom revolution, garbage dumps and landfill sites do not take (D) to fill
	up and overflow. It is only to be expected, therefore, that if a billion-plus Indians

	sweep into action, there will be more trash and garbage in need of (E) than ever before.
	1. Which of the following option be replaced in(A)?
a)	Reference
b)	connections
c)	implications
d)	requirements
e)	None of these
	2. Which of the following option be replaced in(B)?
a)	path
b)	approach
	access
c)	
c) d)	access
c) d)	access movement
c) d)	access movement
c) d) e)	access movement None of these
c) d) e)	access movement None of these  3. Which of the following option be replaced in(C)?
c) d) e)	access movement None of these  3. Which of the following option be replaced in(C)? safety
c) d) e) a) b)	access movement None of these  3. Which of the following option be replaced in(C)? safety provisions

a)	space
b)	period
c)	labor
d)	long
e)	None of these
	5. Which of the following option be replaced in(E)?
a)	holding
b)	dump
c)	disposal
d)	retention
e)	None of these
	set-20
	Question 1.
	In economics, the term recession generally describes the reduction of a countrys Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for at least two quarters. A recession is(1) by rising unemployment, increase in government borrowing,(2), of share and stock prices, and falling investment. All of these characteristics have effects on people. Some recessions have been anticipated by stock market declines. The real – estate market also usually(3) before a recession. During an economic decline, high(4) stocks such as financial services, pharmaceuticals and tobacco(5) to hold up better.
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4. Which of the following option be replaced in  $\dots$ (D) $\dots$ ?

(B) variance	
(C) more	
(D) decrease	
(E) abundance	
3. (A) weakens	
(B) intiates	
(C) awakens	
(D) strengthens	
(E) volatile	
4. (A) maintained	
(B) yield	
(C) heavy	
(D) result	
(E) payment	
5. (A) are	
<ul><li>5. (A) are</li><li>(B) want</li></ul>	
(B) want	

(C) shown

(D) visualized

(E) characterized

2. (A) Increase

(D) yearn
(E) made
Question 2.
Mr. Chamberlain had come to get gift to thirtyfive million pounds from South Africa and to win the hearts of Englishmen and Boers. So he gave a(1) shoulder to the Indian deputation. You know, he said, that the Imperial Government has little control over selfgoverning colonies. Your grievances seem to be genuine. I shall do what I can, but you must try your(2) to placate the Europeans, if you wish to live in their midst. The reply cast a chill over the members of the(3) I was also disappointed. It was an eye opener for us all, and I saw that we should start with our work do novo. I(4) the situation to my colleagues. As a matter of fact there was nothing wrong about Mr. Chamberlains reply. It was well that he did not mince(5) He had brought home to us in a rather gentle way the rule of might being(6), or the law of the sword.
1. <b>(A) cold</b>
(B) cool
(C) hot
(D) warm
(E) left
2. (A) hard
(B) best
(C) least
(D) fate
(E) hate
3. (A) reputation
(B) crowd

(D) leader
(E) deputation
4. (A) expressed
(B) said
(C) explained
(D) exclaimed
(E) denied
5. (A) lectures
(B) matter
(C) topic
(D) words
(E) deals
6. (A) wrong
(B) right
(C) rite
(D) bright
(E) weak
Question 3.
Martin Luther King, Jr. was born Michael Luther King, Jr.,(1) his grandfather

had his name ...(2)... to Martin. Martin Luther attended segregated public schools in Georgia, ...(3)... from high school at the age of fifteen; he received the B.A. degree in 1948 ...(4)... Morehouse College, a distinguished Negro institution of Atlanta from

(C) delegate

which both his father and grand father and grandfather had graduated. After three ania where he ded the B.D. in studies at n 1953 and retta Scott, a

years of(5) study at Crozer Theological Seminary in Pennsylva was elected president of a(6) white senior class, he was award 1951(7) a fellowship won at Ebenezer he enrolled in graduate Boston University, completing his residence(8) the doctorate in receiving the degree in 1955. In Boston he(9) and married Coryoung woman of(10) intellectual and artistic attainments.
1. (A) and
(B) so
(C) since
(D) but
(E) also
2. (A) given
(B) changed
(C) become
(D) made
(E) build

- 3. (A) graduating
- (B) finishing
- (C) graduated
- (D) finished
- (E) finish
  - 4. (A) in
- (B) from

(B) intellectual
(C) educational
(D) psychological
(E) education
6. (A) predetermined
(B) predominantly
(C) significantly
(D) somewhat
(E) somewhere
7. (A) From
(B) By
(C) With
(D) Through
(E) to
8. (A) for
(B) of
(C) about

(C) by

(D) with

5. (A) theological

(E) for

- (D) to
- (E) by
  - 9. (A) saw
- (B) eloped
- (C) met
- (D) Watched
- (E) seem
  - 10. (A) common
- (B) particular
- (C) uncommon
- (D) general
- (E) great

### Question 4.

Good sense appears to have (1) at last. With a fresh set of draft rules to replace last year's poorly conceived ones, the Centre has sought to withdraw the ban on sale of cattle for slaughter in animal markets. The draft rules are now open for comments and suggestions. When the Union Ministry for Environment, Forests and Climate Change notified the rules under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act on May 23, 2017, there was (2) that in the name of preventing cruelty to animals and regulating (3) markets the government was surreptitiously throttling the cattle trade and furthering the BJP's cow protection agenda. The rules were criticised for restricting legitimate animal trade and interfering with (4) habits. The new draft makes a welcome departure from the earlier rules, seeking to provide great relief to buyers of animals from (5) paperwork and procedural requirements. Some distance-specific conditions to curb inter-State and cross-border movement of animals are to be dropped, as also rules barring animal markets within 25 km of a State border and 50 km of the international boundary. The definition of 'animal markets' will no more include any lairage (6) a slaughter-house, thereby removing curbs on the sale of animals in a resting place in the vicinity of a market. The draft retains good provisions in the earlier notification barring cruelty in the treatment and transport of animals.

The notification had set off a (7) last year, with some Chief Ministers stridently opposing it on the ground that regulating (8) trade was essentially a State subject. Even assuming that the Centre had jurisdiction under the law against animal cruelty to notify the rules, it was obvious that only the States could enforce them. With the Supreme Court expanding a stay granted by the Madras High Court into a nationwide bar on the rules, and some States taking a clear stand that they would not implement the regulations, the notification was a non-starter. There was further concern whether the regulations would adversely impact poor villagers, as animal markets are (9) in the countryside. There was an impression that under the guise of stiff regulations, the Centre was making it impossible for cattle, a term that covers cows, buffalo, bulls and camels, to be slaughtered even for food, despite the PCA Act recognising explicitly that animals can be food for humans. The meat trade, valued at thousands of crores of rupees, would have suffered a serious setback had the rules been implemented. Any transformation from a tendency to advance pet causes to an approach based on economic and legal considerations would be a welcome change. Good governance is not only about regulating human and economic activities, but also about avoiding (10) of sectarianism.

- 1. 1) intemperance
  - 2) prevailed
  - 3) abandonment
  - 4) abdication
  - 5) relinquishment
- 1. 1) supplications
  - 2) disregard
  - 3) concern
  - 4) acquiescence
  - 5) provoke
- 1. 1) diligent
  - 2) emotionlessness
  - 3) appeasement
  - 4) livestock
  - 5) cessation
- 1. 1) relenting
  - 2) impassibility
  - 3) dedition
  - 4) dietary
  - 5) perception

- 1. 1) stupidity
  - 2) renunciation
  - 3) capitulation
  - 4) impassivity
  - 5) cumbersome

# 1. 1) adjoining

- 2) forbearance
- 3) inability
- 4) kowtowing
- 5) obtuseness
- 1. 1) ignorance
  - 2) fondling
  - 3) submission
  - 4) storm
  - 5) yielding
- 8. 1) immoderation
  - 2) denseness
  - 3) ineptness
  - 4) lethargy
  - 5) livestock
- 9. 1) indifference
  - 2) predominantly
  - 3) succumbing
  - 4) phlegm
  - 5) coddling

## 10. 1) perceptions

- 2) inattention
- 3) lassitude
- 4) appeasement
- 5) endurance

#### Question 5.

As international oil prices head higher, India will have to ..(1).. itself for the economic risks of expensive energy. Brent crude oil futures were trading at about \$70 a barrel on Friday, marking a four-year high and a price increase of close to 6% since the start of the year. The rise in international prices has been particularly sharp given that oil had been selling at below \$45 in June. This is a rally of about 55% in a matter of just months. Oil price ..(2).. have often been explained by changes in the supply outlook ..(3).. by the decisions of major oil producers. Oil trading at \$70 should offer some ..(4).. to traditional oil producers like the OPEC members, which have suffered the ..(5).. of U.S. shale producers. According to the IMF, last year, for instance, Saudi Arabia would break even on its budget with oil at \$70. The recent spurt in oil prices, however, seems to be more the result of a weakening of the U.S. dollar than anything else. The dollar has been gradually weakening against major global currencies since the beginning of last year. But the trend was given a new push following comments by U.S. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin in favour of a weakdollar policy. At Davos this week, Mr. Mnuchin noted that a weaker dollar would be good for American trade. However, given that the U.S. is right in the middle of a monetary tightening cycle, it is unlikely that the dollar will continue to boost oil prices. unless the Federal Reserve slows the projected pace of interest rate increases. Consumers in India are already beginning to feel the pinch as petrol and diesel prices have hit multi-year highs. The retail selling price of both petrol and diesel in Delhi, for instance, has risen by close to ₹3 a litre since the ..(6).. of 2018. The rise in domestic fuel prices is on expected lines given the policy of dynamic daily pricing of petrol and diesel ..(7).. by the Centre. But as rising oil prices put pressure on domestic consumers, the government will have to ..(8).. from ..(9).. to subsidies to ease the pain. It should work towards rationalising taxes on petrol and diesel to bring down retail prices. This will help consumers without ..(10).. an undue burden on the oil marketing companies.

- 1. 1) adynamic
  - 2) aegis
  - 3) backward
  - 4) armor
  - 5) brace
- 2. 1) barricade
  - 2) redoubt
  - 3) dynamics
  - 4) rampart
  - 5) protection

- 3. 1) palisade
  - 2) parapet
  - 3) bastille
  - 4) influenced
  - 5)finished
- 4. 1) bastion
  - 2) consummate
  - 3) native
  - 4) respite
  - 5) resume
- 5. 1) bulwark
  - 2) conclude
  - 3) national
  - 4) restart
  - 5) onslaught

- 6. 1) buttress
  - 2) beginning
  - 3) preserving
  - 4) local
  - 5) completing
- 7. 1) munitions
  - 2) deterrence
  - 3) endured
  - 4) adopted
  - 5) immunity

- 8. 1) fortress
  - 2) fortification
  - 3) dike
  - 4) continue
  - 5) desist
- 9. 1) garrison2) resorting3) frustrate

  - 4) withholding
  - 5) fence
- 10. 1) embankment
  - 2) imposing3) citadel

  - 4) refusing
  - 5) deny