

Verbal Ability



Fill in the blanks with the correct option. (TCS 2022)

Radha walked to school each day. Her school was (A)	_ trom
her house. She was always punctual and arrived early to scho	ool,
she believed in the proverb (B) At school, she would us	sually
help her teacher set up the class before students came in. Ra	adha
was a brilliant student too. She excelled in her studies and wa	as
kind and helpful to all her friends. She never gave anyone (C)
even if they did not like (D)	



- (A) at a stony throw (B) the early bird caught all the worms
 (C) a cold shoulder (D) see each other eyesto eye.
- (A) at a stone's throw (B) the early bird gets the worm (C) a cold shoulder (D) seeing each other eye to eye.
- (A) as the crow flew (B) only the early bird gets the worm (C) a rough shoulder (D) seeing eye to eye.
- (A) at a stone's throw (B) an early bird catches the worm (C) a crossed shoulder (D) seeing one another in the eye.



Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the given options.

Investing in wine is becoming a po	opular investment altern	ative
these days as demands for fine w	ines is increasing, espec	ially in
China. More and more wine broke	rage houses are being so	et up in
various places in Asia, (A)		
Bloomberg has been featuring int	erviews and (B)	_ about
wine investing in recent months,	mainly focusing on its po	sitive
side as well as its negatives. Beca		
seriously considering such investr		-
It is therefore (D) for me to	study the pros and cons	of wine
investing.		



- A) (A) Wooing (B) features (C) diversify (D) incumbent
- **B)** (A) Attracting (B) traits (C) contrast (D) compulsory
- **C)** (A) Inviting (B) hallmark (C) balance (D) obligatory
- **D)** (A) Courting (B) qualities (C) deviate (D) necessary



One part of the sentence below may contain an error. Identify the part, if there is no error choose no error

He is so intelligent as he can crack any government examination

- A) No error
- B) government examination
- **C)** He is so intelligent
- **D)** as he can crack and



Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the given options. (TCS 2019)

One of the main reasons of corruption in elections today is the (A) _____ of power which (B) _____ the politicians so much that they feel no (C) _____ of conscience in adopting any underhand method to come out successful. The watergate scandal in the U.S.A is a/an (D) ____ example to testify to the fact how even the top level politicians can stoop to the lowest level in order to maintain themselves in power.



- A) allurement (B) shuns (C) pricks (D) ant
- B) lure (B) haunts (C) qualms (D) éloquent
- c) enticement (B) affects (C) scruples (D) ethereal
- **D)** temptation (B) resorts (C) morals (D) appropriate



Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

Wisdom is _____ mainly through adversity.

- A) pained
- **B)** remained
- **C)** gained
- **D)** contained
- **E)** None of these



Given below is a paragraph with five sentences, which are presented in a jumbled order. Write down the best order (e.g ABCDE) which would form a meaningful, unified, and coherent paragraph.

- A. To provide him or her with good data and interesting problems to solve and
- B. Of course with the opportunity to work with other data science and analytics people
- C. The most important way to retain a data scientist is
- D. Given the strong need for intellectual stimulation and growth CABD



Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. (TCS 2020)

Speaking in more general terms, English is the native language of the _____ of several countries.

- A) populist
- B) popular
- C) population
- **D)** populate



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- A. In Kusanagi's cases, not because they annoyed him but
- B. Unless he had something specific in mind, for Yukawa's policy had always been to avoid direct involvement
- C. Because of deference to Kusanagi's position
- D. Kusanagi didn't think Yukawa would just drop in on a suspect in an unsolved case

DBAC



Read the following passage and choose the option that best expresses the thought given in the passage.

While it is true that most animals and birds can utter cries which indicate emotion, anger, fear and affection, nevertheless, their range of sounds is very limited, so that they are not capable of expressing more complicated emotions. On the other hand, man can express a very wide range of ideas and emotions through speech.



- A) Birds and animals do not possess complex thoughts as man
- B) Birds and animals have the same emotions as that of man
- Man has higher speech abilities when compared to animals and birds and can express more complex thoughts and



One part of the sentence below may contain an error. Identify the part, if there is no error choose no error. (TCS 2019)

If we want to restore better health for our planet then both the rich and the poor nations shall come together to share equal responsibility in combating problems of climate change.

- A) and the poor nations shall come together to share equal
- **B)** responsibility in combating problems of climate change
- C) No error
- **D)** If we want to restore better health for our planet then both

the rich

One part of the sentence below may contain an error. Identify the part, if there is no error choose no error.

He thought of himself as being poor even though his monthly salary exceeded one lakh.

- A) No error
- B) even through his monthly
- **C)** salary exceeded one lakh
- **D)** He thought of himself as being poor



One part of the sentence below may contain an error. Identify the part, if there is no error choose no error. (TCS 2020)

I advised him not to went there without all precautions.

- A) No error
- B) to went there without
- **C)** all precautions
- **D)** I advised him not



One part of the sentence below may contain an error. Identify the part, if there is no error choose no error.

2020 was most horrible year in recent human history.

- **A)** year in recent
- **B)** human history
- C) 2020 was most horrible
- **D)** No error



One part of the sentence below may contain an error. Identify the part, if there is no error choose no error.

The celebrated music composers, AR Rahman and Ananya Birla dedicated their cheer song to the athletes participating in the Tokyo Olympics.

- A) dedicated their cheer song to the athletes
- B) The celebrated music composers, AR Rahman and Ananya
- C) Biolarror
- **D)** participating in the Tokyo Olympics



One part of the sentence below may contain an error. Identify the part, if there is no error choose no error. (TCS 2022)

He is unable to come to your party tomorrow because he has many work to do.

A) party tomorrow because

- B) He is unable to come to your
- No error
- he has many work to



Which of the following is the most suitable reported speech form of the following sentence?

Chef Kunal Kapoor says, "Ask me anything related to food and I will answer them."

- A) Chef Kunal Kapoor says he will answer anything related to
- B) Correct. Kunal Kapoor said that he will answer anything related
- C) Chester anything related to
- **D)** Choof. Kunal Kapoor told them that he would answer any question related to food.



In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in the blanks.

As you well know, we are faced with a wi	hole series of global
environmental problems which are	
harming the biosphere and human life in	(A) ways that
may soon become (B)	
The great challenge of our time is to creat	ate (C)
communities; that is, social and cultural	environments in which we
can satisfy our needs without (D)	the chances of future
generations.	



- **A)** (A) Terrifying (B) irrecoverable (C) untenable (D) decreasing
- **B)** (A) Composing (B) irreparable (C) supportable (D) glorifying
- **C)** (A) Frightening (B) irredeemable (C) maintainable (D)
- D) (Ae)nAdjarattining (B) irreversible (C) sustainable (D) diministing



Read the passage and answer the questions that follow: (TCS 2021)

Rosio Sánchez, a Mexican-American chef who lives in Copenhagen, makes the best tortillas in Scandinavia. That, she admits, isn't necessarily saying much - like laying claim to the best pizza in Indonesia. "It was so much worse," she said, describing the state of Mexican food when she arrived in 2010 to work as a pastry chef at the celebrated restaurant Noma. "Imagine the worst Tex-Mex food in America, and imagine that being passed on like a game of telephone, by people who have no idea what real Mexican food is." That is beginning to change, and not only in Copenhagen, where Sánchez has opened a taqueria with freshly ground, hand-pressed corn tortillas.

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow:

It goes far beyond tacos and tortillas, though: Mexican cuisine has made the leap to the global stage of fine dining.

Chefs are making house-cured chorizo in Toronto, and Michelinstarred chilaquiles at Punto MX in Madrid. Last week, the Houston chef Hugo Ortega, who began his working life as a shoeshine boy in Mexico City, received the James Beard Foundation's award for best chef in his region: a first for a Mexico-born chef.



Read the passage and answer the questions that follow:

"Everywhere, I see a new respect for Mexican culture," said Martha Ortiz, a celebrity chef in Mexico who is opening a warmly elegant restaurant, Ella Canta, in the InterContinental London Park Lane hotel this summer. Ten years ago, when a taco in London might easily have contained canned baked beans, the idea of a Mexican restaurant in a posh hotel would have been mystifying.

"Our traditional food has always had a high value at home, and there is a lot of respect for the women who produce it," she said. "But for people internationally to be excited about it and willing to pay for it? That is new."



What is the main idea of the passage?

- A) There is more to Mexican food than just tacos and tortillas.
- **B)** There are celebrity chefs in Mexican cuisine nowadays.
- C) Mexican food is being globally appreciated how.
- **D)** Mexican restaurants are opening in different countries.



Why is the Mexican food being compared to a game of telephone?

- **A)** It was like the worst Tex-Mex food being served in the name of Mexican food.
- **B)** It reached people instantly like a telephone message.
- C) Its naturally was drastically changed when it reached people in other countries.
- **D)** It was passed from hand before reaching the consumers.



Which of the following is NOT a Mexican food item?

- **A)** Tortillas
- B) Chorizo
- **C)** Chilaquiles
- **D)** Taqueria



In the context of the given passage, which of the following is closest in meaning to the word 'mystifying'?

- **A)** Appropriate cuisine
- **B)** Perfectly suitable
- **C)** Impossible to explain
- **D)** A special occurrence



Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Over the past 18months, corporate India and the world of finance has been roiled by a peculiar problem: the promoters of a slew of companies have been eased out of board rooms because they pledged their shares to avail loans and then defaulted. The suicide of Cafe Coffee Day's V.G.Siddhartha in July this year, the roller coaster ride that Yes Bank Ltd's stock went through when its former promoter Rana Kapoor dealt with lenders: and even the unfolding financial scandal at Karvy stock broking have one thing in common - the use, or rather, overuse of a humble instrument called LAS(loan against shares).

The product has been in existence since trading began in Indian markets. It was primarily meant as a tool for stock market operators, who used their existing shares as security to borrow and speculate in the market. It was meant to be short term. And the sums were supposed to be small. Traditional banks even have an upper limit; Rs 20 lakh, if the collateral is purely shares (not applicable to brokerage firms). But mutual funds and non banking financial companies caught in a credit squeeze and a slow down in traditional bank lending, promoters increasingly began to rely on pledged shares to raise funds. In many cases, those funds came in through channels that are relatively less regulated than traditional banks, setting up a perfect storm.



When economic growth began to fall and "sentiments" began to collapse, lenders inevitably began calling in on the pledge or, in some cases, even selling the equity, reducing company promoters to minor shareholders in their own firms.

The fortunes of at least six big promoters are on the line, including Zee Entertainment Enterprises Ltd.'s Subash Chandra and Reliance Group's Anil Ambani.

The sparkling diamonds, or shares, which are forever, are usually never meant to be sold. It is the equivalent of bringing out the family silver. "how do you get funding in any market- you borrow, beg or steal," said Amit Tandon, managing director of Institutional Investors Advisory Services(IIAS), "



In a bad market such as this, borrowing is not happening because no one will lend. You are too proud to beg. So, you steal from your existing pool which is shares, pledged them, and borrow." Perhaps, the promoters never thought they would lose control. Perhaps, corporate India never anticipated a multi-quarter economic slowdown. Perhaps, internal risk-management mechanisms were extremely weak resulting in risky hedges and abuse of LAS. One thing is certain though; The unfolding saga of India Inc.'s troubled alliance with LAS captures, in many ways, the degree of desperation among certain sections of the business community. It is a cautionary tale which could only get worse before it gets any better.



As per regulations issued by the capital market regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India(SEBI), a company needs to disclose the amount of pledged shares, when the pledge is created, to whom the shares are pledged, and for what reason they have been pledged.

However, an analysis done by Mint shows that despite regulatory tightening, the disclosures are missing. In the case of at least four companies including Yes Bank, firms have not even disclosed to whom the shares have been pledged- a clear violation of disclosure norms.

Adani Group, GMR Group and Vedanta Ltd practice a more innovative strategy. They disclose the name of the trustee but not the pledgee, giving investors no indication regarding the purpose of the pledge.

For quite some time, SEBI and RBI have been on the same page regarding the need to crack down on excessive pledging. The capital market regulator had expressed concern particularly about how regulated mutual funds have now assumed the role of lenders, rather than acting on behalf of investors.

Several mutual funds have begun to invest in LAS products in their fixed maturity plan schemes, that is, papers with pledged shares as the underlying collateral. Due to a fear of default, the funds sometimes roll over the maturity date in the hope that a stake sale would result in realization of dues. SEBI has taken one step after another to stem this practice.



Why did the promoters of many companies not find a seat in the board room?

- They were interested in dealing in stocks, rather than managing the companies.
- B) They pledged their shares for loans, but could not settle the
- C) 핵심은·stocks of the companies plummeted and they became minor shareholders.
- The stocks of the companies plummeted and they became major share holders.



Which of the following statements are TRUE regarding the financial instrument 'Loan against shares' (LAS)?

- Traditional banks don't have any upper limit while issuing loans through LAS.
- **B)** NBFCs do not have the authority to issue loans through LAS.
- The financial instrument LAS primary was designed to issue loans for long term.
- **D)** None of the above



What does the author mean by the expression: 'It is a cautionary tale which could only get worse before it gets any better'?

- The incident can get become worse before showing signs of improvement, and all business men should learn from it.
- The tale is a proverbial one and some experience is to be gained from it.
- No promoter should ever take loan through LAS and the situation should be remembered by all.
- **D)** None of the above



What does the analysis done by Mint show?

- The analysis shows that regulations issued by SEBI mandate a company to disclose the amount of pledged shares, when the pledge is created, to whom the shares are pledged, and for what reason they have been pledged.
- The analysis shows that at least four companies are in violation of the regulatory norms issued by SEBI.
- The analysis shows that many companies disclose the name of the trustee but not the pledgee, giving investors no indication regarding the purpose of the pledge.
- **D)** B and C



Which of the following is the author's opinion regarding shares?

- **A)** The author compares 'share' with 'sparling diamond'.
- **B)** The author thinks that usually one should never sell 'shares'.
- C) The author draws an analogy between 'shares' and 'family silver'.
- silver'. **D)** A, B and C



Directions: In this question, a sentence has been divided into four parts marked as I, II, III and IV. You need to find which part/parts does not/do not have any error in terms of grammatical or contextual usage. If the sentence is absolutely correct, mark (D) as your answer.

- I. A tradition, said to have been starting by St. Francis of Assisi.
- II. In 1223 at Greccio, central Italy, the Nativity scene
- III. Emphasizes the spiritual aspects of Christ's birth and advocates
- IV. Worship over materialism during the festivity season

(TCS 2019)



- A) Only I, II and III
- B) Only I and III
- C) Only II and II
- **D)** No error



Directions: In this question, a sentence has been divided into four parts marked as I, II, III and IV. You need to find which part/parts does not/do not have any error in terms of grammatical or contextual usage. If the sentence is absolutely correct, mark (E) as your answer.

- I. The consumer economy scorecard
- II. of India appear particularly bleak,
- III. with vehicle sales growth losing momentum,
- IV. After hinting at a turnaround in the previous month.



- **A)** Only I and II
- B) Only I, III and I
- C) Only I and III
- **D)** Only II
- E) No error



Directions: In this question, a sentence has been divided into four parts marked as I, II, III and IV. You need to find which part/parts does not/do not have any error in terms of grammatical or contextual usage. If the sentence is absolutely correct, mark (E) as your answer.

- I. With new tools and new expeditions,
- II. Scientists are peering into Antarctica's nooks and crannies
- III. And even its subsurface, discovering a world
- IV. That seems unimaginable from more temperate climes.

(TCS 2022)



- A) Only I and II
- B) Only I and III
- C) Only II and III
- **D)** Only II
- E) No error



Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice(active/ passive) form of the given sentence.

I am to do it immediately.

- A) It is supposed to be done by me immediately.
- **B)** It has to be done by me immediately.
- C) It is to be done by me immediately.
- **D)** It is being done by me immediately.



Identify the best way to improve the bold part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'No improvement'.

In today's time, many private companies follow the concept of corporate and social responsibility. **A)** Follows the concept

- Follow the concepts B)
- Follows the concepts
- No improvement



Choose the most appropriate option to change the Narration (direct/indirect) form of the given sentence (TCS 2019)

Meena inquired of me why I had done that.

- A) Meena told me, "Why did you do that?"
- **B)** Meena said to me, "Why did you do that?"
- C) Meena said to me, "Why did you do this?"
- D) Meena asked me, "Why did you do this?"



Identify the best way to improve the bold part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'No improvement'

The blogger asks their followers to share the feedback on his Acentskest their follower

- B) Asked his followers
- **C)** Asks his followers
- **D)** No improvement



Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

The egg were fragile, with the thin outer shell protecting its liquid interior until it was put in the boiling water.

- **A)** With the thin outer shell
- B) The egg were fragile
- **C)** It was put in the boiling water
- **D)** Protecting its liquid interior until



Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence

Somebody built the house last year.

- A) The house has been built last year
- B) The house was built last year by somebody.
- **C)** The house was being built last year by somebody.
- **D)** The house was built last year.



Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

Once upon a time, a daughter complained to her father that his life was miserable and that she didn't know how she was going to make it.

- A) Life was miserable and that she
- B) Complained to her father that his
- C) Didn't know how she was going to make it.
- **D)** Once upon a time, a daughter



Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice(active/ passive) form of the given sentence (TCS 2022)

A book has been given to me by him last week.

- A) He has been given me a book last week.
- B) He has given me a book last week.
- **C)** He has gave me a book last week.
- **D)** A book has to be given to me last week.



Identify the best way to improve the bold part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'No improvement'

In order to be successful, students must inculcate a habits of **discipline** routine. **A)** habit of discipline

- habit of disciplined
- habits of disciplined
- No improvement



Identify the best way to improve the bold part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'No improvement'

Parents should encourage their child to participating in recreational activities as well. **A)** Children to participate

- Children for participation B)
- Child to participate
- No improvement



Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. The shift to stringent emission norms, the transition to electrification, and potentially changing consumer preferences with shared mobility and a connected ecosystem.
- B. Change may be the only constant, but the pace with which it takes place is not.
- C. There are primarily three factors causing this disruption.
- D.The automotive industry is seeing a spectrum of disruptions, as we move towards a cleaner, safer and convenient transport eco system.



- A) DACB
- B) CABD
- **C)** CDAB
- D) BDCA



Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Especially where the penetration of mobile telephony and social media exceeds that of education and awareness.
- B.Also because it may induce people to act on the information.
- C. Fake news is a menace because it is usually motivated by an intent to deceive and misinform.
- D.This can have grave consequences beyond imagination.



- A) DACB
- B) CBDA
- C) CDAB
- **D)** DBAC



Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Banijay's acquisition of the Endemol shine group globally may still be a work in progress, but the latter is already working on the Dutch show Penoza for India.
- B. The Indian arm of Paris based company Banijay group is developing the Indian versions of American reality show Survivor and legal thriller Damages, Belgian TV series The Mole and Turkish drama Public Enemy.
- C. Mean while, Sameer Nair- led Applause Entertainment is bringing the Indian versions of Israeli shows your Honour and Fauda.
- D. New- age content creators on video streaming services are E Prepnow looking at popular international formats that they can

- A) DBAC
- B) CABD
- C) CDAB
- **D)** BDCA



THANK YOU