

Directions for questions 1 to 15 : Sentences given in each question, when properly sequenced form a coherent paragraph. Each sentence is labeled with a letter. Choose the most logical order of sentences from amongst the four choices given to construct a paragraph.

1.

- A. Many centre around practical needs – getting meat out of fire, speed, using whatever is around.
- B. There are also many superstitions attached to them: dropping chopsticks is bad luck, sticking them upright in your rice is taboo because of the imagery of incense sticks at funeral altars.
- C. Among the favourite customs are using them to fish cooked bits of meat and vegetables from boiling broth while eating "hot pot" with friends, and serving choice pieces to show affection or respect.
- D. Then there is the long list of chopsticks don'ts: don't point with them, don't spear food with them, don't use them to tap your bowl; only beggars do that.
- E. There are many stories of the provenance of chopsticks, which in some form have been entrenched in Chinese history for thousands of years.

- 1) ECDBA 2) AEBCD 3) EABDC 4) CDBAD

2.

- A. However, Owen Paterson, the environment secretary, has signalled he is opposed to a ban and appears to support the position of the insecticide manufacturers and farming lobby who argue that banning such products would harm food production.
- B. A recent poll found that 71% of Britons would support such a ban.
- C. The move would be warmly welcomed by environmentalists who have long argued that "neonics" should be banned.
- D. European officials are set to vote on a proposal that would see a group of insecticides known as neonicotinoids, which have been implicated in the decline of bees, largely outlawed across the continent.
- E. The debate raises the wider question of how valuable bees, and other pollinators, are to our agricultural economy.

- 1) DCBAE 2) BCADE 3) DECBA 4) EDBCA

3.

- A. Cleaner nations will become richer and their economies grow faster than dirty nations.
- B. If Africa were to burn its own coal reserves, the resultant carbon emissions would cause trillions of dollars of damage to the rest of the world.
- C. . A global carbon market will create a new global system of economic values
- D. But if the developed world can't clean up the globe on its own, it can create market conditions that make reduction in carbon emissions an economic priority for every nation
- E. Of course, the US – and all developed nations for that matter – can't solve the emissions problem alone.

- 1) BEBCA 2) CAEBD 3) CBDEA 4) EBDCA

4.

- A. These children may look normal but their brain development and immune systems most certainly are not.
- B. The media focus on children who are desperately thin and obviously wasting away means that chronic under nutrition – just as deadly – can be overlooked.
- C. In the same regions, about 7%-15% of children suffer from wasting.
- D. Their stunted height is a grisly marker of multiple deprivations regarding food intake, care and play, clean water, good sanitation and health care.
- E. Approximately 40% of all children under five in south Asia and sub-Saharan Africa are short for their age.

1) E CBAD 2) BAEDC 3) EDBCA 4) ECADB

5.

- A. Instead, the new machines test for viral load, to verify if the virus is in the blood.
- B. So, it is not possible to confirm whether the baby is positive.
- C. Adults are normally diagnosed on the basis of antibodies, but when babies are born they still have those of their mother.
- D. But accurately testing children remains a challenge in much of the country.
- E. About 400 centres across Mozambique now have printers that can quickly receive test results by GPRS .

1) EDC BA 2) AEBCD 3) EABDC 4) CDBAD

6.

- A. The number of development studies courses offered by colleges and universities has grown over the last 20 years.
- B. What are you hoping to get out of your course?
- C. Has your interest been sparked by other studies, travel, or family connections?
- D. As the new academic year begins for some people this month, we would like to hear what is motivating you to study development.
- E. The content of those courses has also changed to reflect new interests and trends in the sector, with topics covering a range of subjects, from economics and politics, to the environment, gender and anthropology.

1) BDAEC 2) DCBAE 3) DAEBC 4) AEDCB

7.

- A. We have constructed it from unfortunate habits of thought about how to handle spiralling public debt.
- B. With much of the global economy apparently trapped in a long and painful austerity-induced slump, it is time to admit that the trap is entirely of our own making.

C. People developed these habits on the basis of the experiences of their families and friends: when in debt trouble, one must cut spending and pass through a period of austerity until the burden (debt relative to income) is reduced.

D. It seems like common sense – even moral virtue – to respond this way.

E. That means no meals out for a while, no new cars and no new clothes.

- 1) DABCE 2) BACDE 3) BACED 4) DEBAC

8.

A. From what we eat to how much energy we consume: everything is trackable, not least because our gadgets come equipped with clever sensors.

B. Take the recent obsession with self-tracking.

C. Smart technologies are not just disruptive; they can also preserve the status quo. Revolutionary in theory, they are often reactionary in practice.

D. But it won't take long for governments to start exploring self-tracking as a solution to problems that could, and probably should, be tackled differently.

E. Right now, most of such self-tracking efforts come from the grass-roots enthusiasts.

- 1) ACBED 2) CBAED 3) BACED 4) EABCD

9.

A. The newspaper man, the flower seller, the milkman, the sweeper, they are all privy to the chatting and sharing of news that the elderly find comforting.

B. When we remove them from their homes, it is not only the family that they are being removed from, but all those other people that they see every day and whose joys and woes become their own.

C. In our system of living, the elderly at home have a circle of acquaintances, and friends.

D. The loneliness of the discarded elderly is manifold.

E. When we forcibly remove people from surroundings they have been part of for decades we put an un-mendable tear in the fabric of their lives.

- 1) DECA B 2) ABDCE 3) ECADB 4) DBAED

10.

A. Some of the worst cancers aren't detected by screening.

B. The only way to be sure is to look at the results of randomized trials comparing cancer deaths in screened and unscreened people.

C. So how can we be confident that getting a screening test regularly is a good idea?

D. Even when screening "works" in such trials, the size of the benefit observed is surprisingly low: Generally, regular screening reduces fatalities from various cancers between 15 percent and 25 percent.

E. They appear suddenly, between regular screenings, and are difficult to treat because they are so aggressive.

- 1) DBAEC 2) AECBD 3) ADBEC 4) ACBED

Directions for questions 11-15 : Arrange sentences A, B ,C and D to form a logical sequence between 1 and 6 and choose the right answer option:

11.

1. The ears are fragile instruments.

- A. These impulses travel via the auditory nerve to the brain, where they are interpreted as, say, words, music or an approaching vehicle.
- B. When sound waves enter the ear, they cause the eardrum to vibrate.
- C. These in turn stimulate auditory nerve fibers, each attuned to a different frequency.
- D. The vibrations are transmitted to the cochlea, in the inner ear, where fluid carries them to neatly organized rows of hair cells.

6. Damage to this delicate apparatus results from both volume and length of exposure to sound.

- 1) BCAD 2) DABC 3) BDCA 4) BDAC

12.

1. Scientists used to think vagal tone was largely stable, like your height in adulthood.

- A. To appreciate why this matters, here's a quick anatomy lesson.
- B. Subtle variations in your heart rate reveal the strength of this brain-heart connection, and as such, heart-rate variability provides an index of your vagal tone.
- C. Your brain is tied to your heart by your vagus nerve.
- D. Our data show that this part of you is plastic, too, and altered by your social habits.

6. By and large, the higher your vagal tone the better.

- 1) CDAB 2) BCAD 3) ACBD 4) DACB

13)

1. In the long run, national recognition of same-sex marriage is inevitable.

- A. It is only a matter of time before all state laws reflect that view.
- B. Prudence counsels that marriage equality should be allowed to continue gaining support in the states, and that a federal resolution should be left for another day.
- C. Same-sex marriage rights, at first imposed by courts, have now been recognized by state legislatures and prevailed in all four states where they were on the ballot in last year's election.
- D. Young people overwhelmingly support it, and public opinion has shifted on this issue faster than on almost any other social issue in history.

6. What is more, the court's doctrine dictates just this deferral.

- 1) CDAB 2) ACBD 3) BACD 4) DCBA

14)

1. A charge on private vehicles in selected areas and at particular times of day would be a reasonable response to externalities they create.

- A. Choosing to drive one's own car or other vehicle into a city centre puts pressure on limited road space, contributes to pollution and global warming, and results in reduced mobility for all.
 B. The cumulative time spent in traffic is a major economic loss.
 C. Congestion charging schemes therefore levy a premium for the privilege of using a personal car, and the funds thus collected should be ploughed back exclusively into public transport options.
 D. This makes them robust, affordable and sustainable.
 6. A number of technologies are available to implement a congestion charging system. The challenge is to pick one that reduces transaction costs, and is sealed against revenue leakage.

- 1) ACBD 2) CABD 3) BCAD 4) ABCD

15)

1. Water is a renewable natural resource and public good.
 A. However, most rivers, ponds, lakes and aquifers are common property.
 B. Hence, excluding others from using water is not possible and the results are competition, over-extraction and conflict.
 C. But the ownership right on land bestows a private character on water.
 D. Therefore, water rights are not clearly defined and the right to using the resources is not protected.
 6. However, cooperation has a greater role in achieving social harmony in water allocation and increasing human welfare.

- 1) DACB 2) CADB 3) ACDB 4) BCAD

Q.No	Key	Explanations
1	3	E is clearly the introductory sentence as it does not have a previous link. Many in Sentence A refers to many stories, So EA makes a mandatory pair. Also many superstitions in Sentence B makes it the next one in chronology, and should be followed by Sentence D. So option 3.
2	1	DC form a mandatory pair – D talks about a proposal and C talks about the environmentalists response to that move. C should be followed by B as they are positive responses to the move. Statement A which is negative response to move should follow B. E is the concluding statement.
3	4	DC is a mandatory pair. D suggests a problem to the solution of carbon emissions and C talks about the effect of such policy. A should follow C as it talks about the further effects. EB is also a mandatory pair. B is an example or extension of E.
4	2	Sentence B is introductory sentence- talks about media attention to the problem of undernourishment. A specifies the problem mentioned in B. Problems mentioned in B and A are supported by facts mentioned in E. ED makes a mandatory pair. E points out to the problem of wasting which is elaborated in D. So, option 2.
5	1	CB is a mandatory pair as it shows a cause and effect relationship. ED is also a mandatory pair as E talks about a new system of printers in Mozambique and D talks about the challenges faced in the same country. <i>But</i> in sentence D shows a contrast and 'much of the country' refers to Mozambique. So option 1.

6	4	AE is a mandatory pair. A is clearly the introductory sentence which talks about the increase in no. of development courses offered by universities. E talks about the changes in content of those courses. DC is also a mandatory pair. D talks about the motivation to study development and C specifies the same.
7	3	BA is a mandatory pair. B says that the trap is of our own making and A species how we have constructed that trap. CED are also closely linked. C talks about cutting spending through the period of austerity, and E clearly explains that. <i>Respond this way</i> in sentence D refers to the way mentioned in sentence E. So, option 3.
8	2	C is clearly the introductory sentence as it does not have a previous link. BA is a mandatory pair as A exemplifies the point mentioned in B. ED is also a mandatory pair as they show a contrast. So option 2.
9	1	D is clearly the introductory sentence as it does not have a previous link. CA is also a mandatory pair as it moves from general to specific. C talks generally about acquaintances, friends and A specifies the same. AB is also a mandatory pair. <i>Them</i> in B refers to the people mentioned in A.
10	2	AE is a mandatory pair as it has a noun pronoun link. <i>They</i> in E refers to worst cancers mentioned in A. CB is also a mandatory pair as B answers the question asked in C. BD are also related. <i>Such trials</i> in D refers to the trials mentioned in B. So option 2
11	3	Here the sentences form a chronological pattern. B should follow sentence 1. BD is a mandatory pair as both talk about <i>vibration</i> . A6 is also a mandatory pair as both mention the sound.
12	4	1D is a mandatory pair as both show a contrast. CB is also a mandatory pair as B explains the brain heart connection mentioned in C. AC is also a mandatory pair as C explains the anatomy lesson talked about in A.
13	1	CD is a mandatory pair. <i>It</i> in D refers to same sex rights mentioned in C. DA is also a mandatory pair.
14	4	1 AB follow a chronological pattern, C follows the pattern by justifying the use of congestion charging scheme. CD is again a mandatory pair and should be followed by 6 as it talks about picking the right congestion parking scheme.
15	2	1C form a mandatory pair as <i>but</i> in C shows a contrast (private public). DB is also a mandatory pair as it has a cause and effect relationship. B6 shows a contrast and forms a mandatory pair. So option 2.

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