

AT – 11

Direction (Q.1 to Q.6): each question has four answer choices. For every question pick that choice as the answer that corrects the error, if any, in the original sentence. If there is no error in the original sentence, pick option a as the answer.

(Infosys)

1. For the last four years, peter has earned a lot of respect among his colleagues.

- A. For the last four years, peter has earned a lot of respect among his colleagues
- B. From the last four years, peter has earned a lot of respect among his colleagues
- C. For the last four years, peter earned a lot of respect among his colleagues
- D. Since the last four years, peter was earning a lot of respect among his colleagues

Ans - a

Hint: duration- for (present perfect tense)

2. Those who learn from their mistakes, they never stop to improve.

- A . Those who learn from their mistakes, they never stop to improve
- B. Those who learns from their mistakes, they never stop to improve
- C. Those who learn from their mistakes, they never stop improving
- D. Those whom learns from their mistakes, they never stop improving

Ans- c

Hint- those- learn. Stop improving(gerund) is justified

3. Each one of them were required to finish his task on time.

- A. Each one of them were required to finish his task on time
- B. Each one of them was required to finish his task on time
- C. Each one of them has required to finish his task on time
- D. Each one of them was required to finish their task on time

Ans- c

Hint- each one- singular- his

4. If we studied sincerely, we will clear the exam.

- A. If we studied sincerely, we will clear the exam.
- B if we will study sincerely, we will clear the exam.
- C. If we study sincerely, we would have cleared the exam.
- D. If we studied sincerely, we would clear the exam

Ans-d

Hint- 2nd conditional statement

5. To have few friends supporting us are always an asset when we are in trouble.

- A. To have few friends supporting us are always an asset when we are in trouble
- B. To have a few friends supporting us are always an asset when we are in trouble
- C. To have few friends supporting us is always an asset when we are in trouble
- D. To have a few friends supporting us is always an asset when we are in trouble

Ans- d

Hint- a few is used for positive sense. The phrase -to....us- is the subject.

6. Many decades ago, a king was adviced by his ministers to wage a war against its enemies.

- A. Many decades ago, a king was adviced by his ministers to wage a war against its enemies.
- B. Many decades ago, a king was adviced by his ministers to wage a war against its enemies.
- C. Many decades ago, a king was advised by his ministers to wage a war against its enemies.
- D. Many decades ago, a king was advised by his ministers to wage a war against his enemies.

Ans-d

Hint- advised is a verb. A king will fight his enemies

Instructions: Critical Reasoning (Q.7 – Q.10): Read each passage carefully. Then, choose the best answer to the question that follows.

(TCS)

7. A weapons-smuggling incident recently took place in country Y. We all know that Y is a closed society. So Y's government must have known about the weapons.

Which of the following is an assumption that would make the conclusion above logically correct?

- (A) If a government knows about a particular weapons-smuggling incident, it must have intended to use the weapons for its own purposes.
- (B) If a government claims that it knew nothing about a particular weapons-smuggling incident, it must have known everything about it.
- (C) If a government does not permit weapons to enter a country, it is a closed society.
- (D) If a country is a closed society, its government has knowledge about everything that occurs in the country.

ANS: D

HINT: This must be true otherwise our conclusion doesn't work.

8. Traffic Safety Expert: In order to achieve a substantial reduction in the extremely high number of car accidents in our country, we should implement a radical new safe driving plan. Seat belts and air bags would be eliminated from the driver's side of all automobiles to provide the driver with the strongest possible incentive to drive safely. Further, an electroshock system would administer shocks to the driver if he or she exceeds the speed limit or engages in other unsafe driving practices.

In declaring that the radical new safe driving plan will help to reduce accident rates, the author assumes which of the following?

- (A) Many car accidents are caused, at least partially, by naturally occurring conditions such as rain and fog.
- (B) Accidents in which one or both participants exceed 60 miles per hour account for a majority of all fatal car accidents.
- (C) A significant number of accidents are the result of negligence or other unsafe driving practices on the part of the driver.
- (D) To alleviate safety concerns, citizens should be allowed to reinstall their drivers' side seat belts and air bags at their own expense.

ANS: C

HINT: C is the only choice that directly links the language of the conclusion with the language of the premises, so it's our keeper.

9. The interview is an essential part of a successful hiring program because, with it, job applicants who have personalities that are unsuited to the requirements of the job will be eliminated from consideration.

The argument above logically depends on which of the following assumptions?

- (A) A hiring program will be successful if it includes interviews.
- (B) The interview is a more important part of a successful hiring program than is the development of a job description.
- (C) Interviewers can accurately identify applicants whose personalities are unsuited to the requirements of the job.
- (D) The only purpose of an interview is to evaluate whether job applicants' personalities are suited to the requirements of the job.

ANS: C

HINT: It does exactly the same as we thought. Makes sure that interviewers are sound. If we negate this, the argument will break.

10. Methyl tetrachloride (MTC) is chemical found in some pesticides, glues, and sealants. Exposure to MTC can cause people to develop asthma. In order to halve the nation's asthma rate, the government has announced that it will ban all products containing MTC.

The government's plan to halve the nation's asthma. rate relies on which of the following assumptions?

- (A) Exposure to MTC is responsible for no less than half of the nation's asthma cases.
- (B) Products containing MTC are not necessary to the prosperity of the American economy.
- (C) Asthma has reached epidemic proportions. .
- (D) Exercise and proper nutrition are helpful in maintaining respiratory health.

ANS: A

HINT: Except option A, none were close to actual assumption.

Instructions (Q.11 to Q.14): Read the given passage carefully and thoroughly. Choose the most appropriate option to answer the questions based on passage.

(KPIT)

Most of us use the products of science- railways, aero planes, electricity, wireless and thousands of others- without thinking how did they come into existence. We take them for granted, as if we were entitled to them as a matter of right. And we are very proud of the fact that we live in an advanced age and are ourselves so very advanced. Now, there is no doubt that our age is a very different one from previous ages and I think it is perfectly correct to say that it is far more advanced. But that is a different thing from saying that we as individuals or groups are more advanced. It would be the height of absurdity to say that because an engine driver can run an engine and Plato or Socrates. But it would be perfectly correct to say that the engine itself is a more advanced method of locomotion than Plato's chariot was.

11. Which one of the following statements is correct?

- (a) An engine driver cannot be compared to Plato or Socrates
- (b) Plato or Socrates is in no way inferior to the engine driver
- (c) Plato or Socrates surpassed the engine driver in every respect
- (d) An engine driver is cleverer than Plato or Socrates

Answer: (a)

Hint: The passage criticizes equating technological use (engine driver) with intellectual greatness (Plato, Socrates). So, it's **absurd to compare individuals** just because they live in an advanced age.

12. People today are very proud because they:

- (a) live in a philosophically advanced age
- (b) live in a spiritually advanced age
- (c) enjoy digital communications
- (d) live in a scientifically advanced age

Answer: (d)

Hint: The passage says people take science-based inventions for granted and feel proud **thinking they're advanced**, due to **scientific progress**.

13. Many of us make use of machines:

- (a) with full knowledge of their genesis
- (b) without knowing how were they invented
- (c) with very little knowledge of their mechanism
- (d) without any knowledge of their historical significance

Answer: (b)

Hint: The passage says we use trains, planes, electricity, etc., "**without thinking how did they come into existence**" — that's option (b).

14. In this passage, the writer mentions Plato and Socrates to emphasize that:

- (a) they had a great respect for learning
- (b) they were men of great scholarship
- (c) people as individuals in the modern age are not more advanced than their predecessors
- (d) the engine is a better mode of locomotion than Plato's chariot.

Answer: (c)

Hint: The key idea is **technological progress ≠ individual advancement**. An engine driver isn't superior to Plato; **machines are more advanced, not necessarily people**.

Instructions (Q.15 to Q.20): Choose the option that is **most opposite in meaning** to the given word.

(Cognizant)

15. EFFULGENT

- a) Radiant
- b) Dull
- c) Gleaming
- d) Brilliant

Answer: b) Dull

Hint: This describes something shining brightly; radiant. The antonym is lacking brightness.

16. DISCOMFIT

- a) Embarrass
- b) Encourage
- c) Unsettle
- d) Faze

Answer: b) Encourage

Hint: This means to make someone feel uneasy or embarrassed. The antonym is to give support, confidence, or hope.

17. DELETERIOUS

- a) Harmful
- b) Beneficial
- c) Detrimental
- d) Ruinous

Answer: b) Beneficial

Hint: This describes something causing harm or damage. The antonym is favourable or advantageous.

Instructions (Q.18 to Q.20): Each sentence is **divided into four parts: A, B, C, and D. Only one part** of the sentence contains a grammatical or usage error. Identify the part **that contains the error** and mark the corresponding option.

(Capgemini)

18. The bankers' association(a)/has submitted a memorandum(b) for the fulfilment of (c)/their demands. (d)

Ans- d

Hint- association--- its demands

19. A number of important issues (a)/had been discussed(b)/ among the team members before the President addressed the meeting. (c)/ No Error (d)

Ans-d

Hint- past perfect tense is justified

20. Peter, along with his friends, (a)wait for the next bus(b) for at least half an hour (c)whenever he misses the first bus (d)

Ans- b

Hint- peter waits