

AT – 6

Instructions (Q.1 to Q.7): You are given four options. One of them is the correct sentence. read the options carefully and choose the option that is grammatically correct. **(capgemini)**

1. Despite the widespread acknowledgment of the importance of biodiversity for maintaining ecological balance, urban expansion, deforestation, and pollution continue to threaten numerous species, leading to concerns that if these trends persist, the resulting loss of biodiversity could have irreversible impacts on ecosystem services essential for human survival.

a) although the importance of biodiversity for ecological balance is widely acknowledged, ongoing urban expansion, deforestation, and pollution threaten many species, raising fears that continued trends could irreversibly impair ecosystem services vital for human life.

b) while the significance of biodiversity for ecological stability is generally recognized, habitat destruction, pollution, and urban growth persistently endanger species, prompting concerns that these ongoing trends might cause irreversible damage to ecosystem services upon which humans depend.

c) despite widespread recognition of biodiversity's role in ecological stability, factors like urbanization, deforestation, and pollution continue to threaten species, with fears that if these trends persist, the loss could irreversibly impair ecosystem functions critical for human survival.

d) even though biodiversity is acknowledged to be crucial for ecological balance, threats from urbanization, deforestation, and pollution persist, leading to fears that if unchecked, these trends could result in irreversible ecosystem damage affecting human life.

Answer: c)

Hint: The option that best integrates the cause (threats) and potential impact (irreversible loss) with a clear causal structure is preferred.

2. The success of the global vaccination campaign, which was launched in response to the recent pandemic, has been attributed not only to the rapid development and deployment of effective vaccines but also to the collaborative efforts of governments, healthcare organizations, and the public, whose compliance and cooperation were instrumental in achieving widespread immunity and controlling the spread of the disease.

a) the global vaccination campaign's success, launched in response to the recent pandemic, is credited to the swift development and distribution of effective vaccines, as well as the collaborative efforts and cooperation of governments, healthcare providers, and the public, which were crucial in achieving herd immunity and curbing the disease's spread.

b) the recent pandemic prompted the launch of a global vaccination campaign whose success has been credited to the rapid development of effective vaccines and the collaborative efforts of governments, healthcare organizations, and the public, whose cooperation was vital to attaining widespread immunity and controlling the disease.

c) launched in response to the recent pandemic, the success of the global vaccination campaign is largely due to the quick development and deployment of effective vaccines, along with the collective efforts of governments, healthcare organizations, and the public, whose cooperation was key to achieving herd immunity.

d) the success of the global vaccination effort, initiated in response to the recent pandemic, is attributed to the rapid development and dissemination of effective vaccines and to the collaborative efforts of governments, healthcare providers, and the public, whose cooperation was essential in attaining widespread immunity and limiting disease transmission.

Answer: c)

Hint: The best option clearly attributes success to both technological and collaborative factors, maintaining clarity.

3. As climate change accelerates, the importance of developing resilient agricultural practices becomes increasingly evident, especially in regions prone to droughts and floods, where traditional farming methods are often insufficient to sustain crop yields; therefore, adopting innovative techniques such as drought-resistant crops and efficient water management is critical for ensuring food security in the future.

a) with climate change accelerating, the need for resilient agricultural practices grows, particularly in drought- and flood-prone areas where conventional methods often fall short; thus, employing innovative techniques like drought-resistant crops and water-efficient practices is vital for future food security.

b) as climate change intensifies, developing resilient farming methods becomes more crucial, especially in regions vulnerable to droughts and floods, where traditional methods may no longer suffice; consequently, adopting innovations such as drought-resistant crops and improved water management is essential for future food security.

c) given the acceleration of climate change, the significance of resilient agricultural practices increases, especially in droughts and floods affected regions, where conventional farming often cannot sustain yields; hence, employing innovative practices like drought-resistant crops and water conservation techniques is vital for future food security.

d) due to the worsening effects of climate change, the necessity for resilient farming practices is more apparent in drought- and flood-prone areas, where traditional methods are often inadequate; therefore, adopting innovations such as drought-resistant varieties and water-saving techniques is crucial for ensuring future food security.

Answer: b)

Hint: The most effective sentence clearly emphasizes the causal relationship between climate change, the need for innovation, and food security.

4. The rapid expansion of digital technology has transformed various sectors, including education, healthcare, and commerce; however, this digital revolution has also raised significant concerns regarding data privacy, cybersecurity threats, and the digital divide, which could potentially undermine the benefits of technological progress if not adequately addressed.

- a) the expansion of digital technology has revolutionized sectors like education, healthcare, and commerce; nonetheless, it has also sparked concerns over data privacy, cybersecurity threats, and the digital divide, which could diminish the benefits of progress without proper safeguards.
- b) as digital technology rapidly expands, it has transformed many sectors, but it also raises serious issues such as data privacy, cybersecurity risks, and the digital divide, which might threaten to undermine the advantages of technological advances if left unaddressed.
- c) the rapid growth of digital technology has significantly impacted sectors including education, healthcare, and commerce; yet, it has also created concerns about data privacy, cybersecurity, and inequality, which could hamper the positive impacts of these technological advances if not properly managed.
- d) digital technology's swift expansion has revolutionized multiple sectors but has also brought about concerns related to data privacy, cybersecurity threats, and widening inequality, which could undermine the benefits if these issues are not effectively tackled.

Answer: b)

Hint: The best choice balances the positive impact with the potential risks, emphasizing the need for addressing challenges.

5. While the concept of sustainable development emphasizes the importance of balancing economic growth with environmental preservation, many developing nations face the dilemma of prioritizing immediate economic needs over long-term ecological health, often resulting in policies that favor short-term gains at the expense of future generations.

- a) although sustainable development stresses balancing economic growth and environmental conservation, developing nations often grapple with the dilemma of prioritizing immediate economic needs over ecological preservation, leading to policies that may favor short-term benefits at the cost of future well-being.
- b) despite the emphasis on sustainable development balancing growth and environmental protection, many developing countries prioritize short-term economic gains, which frequently results in policies that jeopardize ecological health and future prosperity.
- c) while sustainable development advocates for a balance between economic progress and environmental health, developing nations often face challenges in doing so; their focus on immediate economic needs can lead to policies that undermine ecological sustainability for short-term benefits.
- d) although sustainable development promotes balancing economic and environmental interests, developing countries tend to prioritize immediate economic needs, often adopting policies that favor short-term gains and compromise ecological integrity for future generations.

Answer: a)

Hint: The most comprehensive option clearly links the concept to the dilemma faced by developing nations.

6. The proliferation of social media platforms has fundamentally changed how individuals communicate, share information, and form communities; however, this digital interconnectedness has also facilitated the spread of misinformation, cyberbullying, and privacy breaches, which pose significant challenges to social cohesion and individual safety if not effectively managed.

- a) social media's proliferation has transformed communication, information sharing, and community building; yet, it has also enabled misinformation, cyberbullying, and privacy violations, creating serious challenges to social cohesion and personal security if not properly addressed.
- b) as social media platforms multiply, they have revolutionized how people communicate and share information, but they also contribute to misinformation, cyberbullying, and privacy breaches, which can threaten social harmony and safety unless effectively regulated.
- c) while social media has revolutionized communication and community formation, it has also facilitated problematic issues like misinformation, cyberbullying, and privacy violations, which require effective management to protect social stability and individual safety.
- d) the widespread growth of social media has changed communication and community engagement; however, it has also led to concerns about misinformation, cyberbullying, and data privacy, which undermine social cohesion and safety if left unchecked.

Answer: a)

Hint: Look for the option that best balances the benefits and risks, emphasizing the need for proper management.

7. In light of the ongoing debate about the efficacy of remote work, many organizations are reassessing their policies, recognizing that while flexibility can enhance employee satisfaction and reduce commuting time, it may also lead to challenges related to team collaboration, company culture, and overall productivity if not carefully monitored and supplemented with appropriate communication tools.

- a) amid ongoing discussions about remote work's effectiveness, companies are reevaluating their policies, acknowledging that flexibility can improve satisfaction and cut commuting, but it also presents challenges in collaboration, culture, and productivity unless mitigated with effective communication tools.
- b) as the debate over remote work continues, organizations are reconsidering their policies, understanding that although flexibility can boost employee satisfaction and reduce commute times, it may also cause issues with teamwork, culture, and productivity without proper oversight and communication tools.
- c) with ongoing debates on remote work's success, many firms are reviewing their policies, noting that while flexibility benefits satisfaction and reduces travel, it might also hinder collaboration, cultural cohesion, and productivity if not supported by suitable communication strategies.
- d) given the ongoing controversy about remote work's effectiveness, organizations are adjusting their policies, recognizing that flexibility can enhance employee satisfaction and decrease travel time but may also lead to problems in collaboration, culture, and productivity if not adequately managed.

Answer: b)

Hint: The best option clearly states both sides of the issue and emphasizes the importance of management tools.

Instructions (Q.8 to Q12.): Read the given passage carefully and thoroughly. Choose the most appropriate option to answer the questions based on the passage. (KPIT)

As, a farmer, I was determined that we should get on the computer bandwagon, says Krihnappa Jagannath, the 40-years old head of the Gram Panchayat who initiated the whole process three years ago. With tips from a computer-savvy brother in the US, Jagannath drew up a plan and convinced others of its merit. Within no time, he was able to raise Rs. 65,000 from the public, enough for the purchase of two assembled Pentium-II computers. That was easy enough. But who would operate these machines? Jagannath decided that it had to be the villagers themselves. He got in touch with software company, which agreed to train the villagers. Although wary initially, the people knew it was worth a try. As they realised it was not so difficult, more and more villagers joined in. Those like T.S. Shobha who showed a greater aptitude were sent for extensive training.

8. Initially Krishnappa Jagannath raised Rs.65,000:

- (a) as a loan from bank
- (b) as a loan from Gram Panchayat
- (c) from the public
- (d) as a borrowing from his brother in the US

Answer:

(c)

Explanation: The passage clearly states: “*he was able to raise Rs. 65,000 from the public.*”

9. Krishnappa Jagannath is a:

- (a) computer engineer trained in the US
- (b) head of the Gram Panchayat
- (c) District Magistrate of Belandur
- (d) senior secondary Scholl teacher in Belandur

Answer:

(b)

Explanation: The passage begins with: “*Krishnappa Jagannath, the 40-years old head of the Gram Panchayat...*”

10. Initially the major problem which confronted the villagers was:

- (a) whether branded or assembled computers should be purchased
- (b) arranging finance for purchase of computers
- (c) as to who would operate the machines
- (d) getting clearance from the Government authorities

Answer:

(c)

Explanation: After buying the computers, the issue was: “*But who would operate these machines?*”

11. T.S. Shobha was sent for extensive training because she:

- (a) was a graduate
- (b) showed a great aptitude for computers
- (c) had a computer-savvy brother in the US

(d) was very influential

Answer:

(b)

Explanation: The passage states: “*Those like T.S. Shobha who showed a greater aptitude were sent for extensive training.*”

12. Computer training for the villagers was arranged through:

- (a) Computer Society of India
- (b) a software company
- (c) Government of Karnataka
- (d) a Non-Government Organization

Answer:

(b)

Explanation: The passage says: “*He got in touch with software company, which agreed to train the villagers.*”

Instructions (Q.13 to Q16.): Choose the synonym out of the four options, for the bold part of the sentence.

(TCS)

13. The speaker's **eloquence** captivated the entire audience, leaving them spellbound.

- a) Stammer
- b) Articulacy
- c) Hesitation
- d) Mumbling

Answer: b) Articulacy

Hint: The word describes the ability to speak or write clearly and expressively.

14. Despite repeated warnings, his **profligate** spending led to inevitable bankruptcy.

- a) Frugal
- b) Prudent
- c) Extravagant
- d) Thrifty

Answer: c) Extravagant

Hint: This refers to someone who is recklessly wasteful, especially with money.

15. The ancient ruins possessed a certain **mystique**, drawing historians from around the globe.

- a) Clarity

- b) Enigma
- c) Openness
- d) Familiarity

Answer: b) Enigma

Hint: This word denotes an air of awe-inspiring mystery.

16. Her unctuous compliments made everyone uncomfortable; they felt insincere.

- a) Genuine
- b) Frank
- c) Oleaginous
- d) Sincere

Answer: c) Oleaginous

Hint: Think of someone who is excessively smooth or flattering in an attempt to be charming, often with an underlying insincerity.

Instructions (Q.17 to Q.20): Fill in the blank with the most appropriate option.

(WIPRO)

17. To be honest I was feeling a bit down.

- (a) pushed
- (b) pulled
- (c) switched
- (d) run

Answer:

(d)

Explanation: The correct idiom is "feeling a bit run down", which means feeling tired, unwell, or low in energy.

18. Well, I don't think that's a very good reason and you must up with a better explanation.

- (a) come
- (b) take
- (c) do
- (d) put

Answer:

(a)

Explanation: The correct phrasal verb is "come up with", which means to produce or suggest an idea or plan.

19. I'm sorry I'm not sure I can it across any better.

- (a) Show

- (b) put
- (c) pick
- (d) get

Answer:

(d)

Explanation: The correct phrasal verb is "get it across", which means to successfully communicate an idea or message.

20. Now, I must insist as your supervisor if you really want to on in your career, you must tell me the truth.

- (a) take
- (b) break
- (c) get
- (d) hold

Answer:

(c)

Explanation: The phrase "get on in your career" means to progress or advance professionally.