

# **SBI CLERK PRELIMS 2025**

## **ENGLISH**

### **MEMORY BASED PAPER**

 **DETAILED SOLUTION**

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**Directions: Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow accordingly. Some of the words have been given in bold.**

Road rage has become a growing crisis, with more people engaging in aggressive driving behaviors that put others at risk. According to the Colorado State Patrol (CSP), complaints about road rage now surpass those about drunk driving each year. This alarming trend indicates that drivers are increasingly losing their tempers and resorting to dangerous actions while on the road. Last year, CSP received 37,769 road rage complaints, and this year's number has already reached 24,723, suggesting that the total may again match or exceed the previous year's figures. In contrast, 31,000 complaints were reported for drunk driving last year, and over 19,000 have been recorded so far this year. Some drivers resort to reckless behaviors such as excessive honking, tailgating, and even physical

confrontations. However, in extreme cases, road rage has escalated to violent incidents, including **shootings**, where drivers have reacted with deadly force over minor disputes.

These tragic situations highlight the need for stricter laws and increased awareness about anger management behind the wheel. A Lyft driver, Girard, mentioned that he witnesses road rage incidents daily, emphasizing how widespread the issue has become. Law enforcement officials, such as Sgt. Troy Kessler, state that CSP takes these complaints seriously and urges drivers to report incidents rather than retaliate. Authorities stress that managing emotions while driving is crucial. They advise motorists to **resort** to calming techniques like deep breathing and listening to music instead of reacting aggressively. Public awareness campaigns continue to educate drivers about the dangers

of road rage, emphasizing patience and responsibility as key to preventing unnecessary conflicts on the road.

1. According to the passage, what concerning trend has the Colorado State Patrol (CSP) observed?

- a) Road rage complaints have significantly decreased, suggesting better traffic management.
- b) The number of road rage complaints has surpassed those related to drunk driving, showing an increase in aggressive driving behavior.
- c) Authorities are receiving more complaints about parking violations than road rage or drunk driving.
- d) Drunk driving remains the most frequently reported issue, with road rage being a minor concern.

e) Road rage complaints have remained constant over the years, with no significant rise or fall in numbers.

2. What extreme consequence of road rage is mentioned in the passage?

- a) Some cases have resulted in shootings, where drivers reacted violently over minor disputes.
- b) Road rage incidents usually lead to simple verbal arguments that do not escalate into violence.
- c) The most severe outcome of road rage is the cancellation of a driver's license after multiple complaints.
- d) Most road rage incidents are exaggerated by the media and rarely lead to real harm.

e) The only consequence of road rage is minor vehicle damage due to aggressive driving.

3. What are some reckless behaviors that drivers resort to during road rage incidents?

- a) Excessive honking, tailgating, and engaging in physical confrontations with other drivers.
- b) Driving at a slow speed to frustrate other drivers and reduce road rage incidents.
- c) Avoiding eye contact and ignoring aggressive drivers to de-escalate the situation.
- d) Pulling over and turning off the car to calm down before continuing the journey.

e) Calling a friend while driving to vent frustrations instead of reacting aggressively.

4. What is the recommended way to handle road rage incidents according to law enforcement?

- a) Respond aggressively to show dominance and prevent further harassment.
- b) Report aggressive driving behaviors rather than retaliating or escalating the situation.
- c) Challenge the aggressive driver in court by filing a lawsuit after every minor dispute.
- d) Record the incident and upload it to social media to spread awareness.

e) Confront the aggressive driver in person to settle the matter immediately.



5. What do authorities suggest drivers do instead of reacting aggressively?

- a) Resort to calming techniques like deep breathing and listening to music to manage emotions.
- b) Follow the aggressive driver to their destination to confront them later.
- c) Speed up to overtake the aggressive driver and avoid further confrontation.
- d) Use hand gestures and facial expressions to communicate frustration safely.

e) Engage in heated arguments to ensure the aggressive driver understands their mistake.

However, in extreme cases, road rage has escalated to violent incidents, including **shootings**, where drivers have reacted with deadly force over minor disputes.

6. Which of the following words is the closest synonym for "shooting" in this context?

- a) Firing
- b) Filming
- c) Launching, usually non-violent.
- d) Throwing
- e) Snapping weapons.

They advise motorists to **resort** to calming techniques like deep breathing and listening to music instead of reacting aggressively.

7. Which of the following words is the closest synonym for "resort" in this context?

- a) Turn to
- b) Relax
- c) Vacate
- d) Enjoy
- e) Postpone

**Directions-: In the following passage, six words are missing, each represented by a blank (A, B, C, D, E, F). Each blank has a set of five options. Choose the most appropriate word for each blank from the given options.**

Bees are widely recognized for their role in producing honey, but their importance extends **(A)** honey production. By pollinating flowers, they significantly contribute to the **(B)** of many plant species, ensuring the availability of fruits and vegetables. In the complex social structure of a bee colony, each bee performs a specific **(C)** that helps maintain the hive's organization and survival. Furthermore, bees aid in the dispersal of pollen, which enhances the **(D)** within natural ecosystems. Their activities not only support agricultural productivity but also serve as an **(E)** of environmental health, providing scientists with early

warning signs of ecological imbalances. In light of their vital contributions, it is essential to protect bee populations to safeguard both biodiversity and **(F)** stability.

8. Bees are widely recognized for their role in producing honey, but their importance extends **(A)** honey production.

A) beyond

B) despite

C) through

D) for

E) with

9. By pollinating flowers, they significantly contribute to the **(B)** of many plant species, ensuring the availability of fruits and vegetables.

- A) survival
- B) demise
- C) extinction
- D) dispersion
- E) vulnerability

10. In the complex social structure of a bee colony, each bee performs a specific **(C)** that helps maintain the hive's organization and survival.

A) function

B) role

C) responsibility

D) duty

E) obligation



11. Furthermore, bees aid in the dispersal of pollen, which enhances the **(D)** within natural ecosystems.

- A) uniformity
- B) monotony
- C) biodiversity
- D) homogeneity
- E) similarity

12. Their activities not only support agricultural productivity but also serve as an **(E)** of environmental health, providing scientists with early warning signs of ecological imbalances.

- A) indicator
- B) catalyst
- C) impediment
- D) threat
- E) obstacle

13. In light of their vital contributions, it is essential to protect bee populations to safeguard both biodiversity and **(F)** stability.

- A) economic
- B) social
- C) ecological
- D) political
- E) cultural

**Direction (14-18): In the given questions, four sentences are provided. Out of the four, one may contain an error. You need to identify the sentence that contains an error and mark it as your answer. If all sentences are correct, select option 'E' – 'All are correct' – as the answer.**

### **Question 14:**

(a) Achieving fluency in a new language requires consistent practice, exposure to native speakers, and a deep understanding of grammar and vocabulary.

(b) Many employees were concerned about the administration's new policies regarding remote work and flexible schedules.

(c) Several students from our school have participate in international exchange programs, gaining valuable cultural experiences and academic exposure.

(d) In his speech, the CEO promised to address the issues raised by employees regarding workplace safety and fair wages.

(e) All are correct

**Question 15:**

(a) The company will either promote an internal candidate nor hire someone from outside to fill the managerial position.

(b) Economic inequality continues to widen as wealth becomes concentrated in the hands of a few, leaving lower-income groups struggling to meet basic needs.

(c) When traveling abroad, it is important to respect local customs to avoid misunderstandings or unintentional offence.

(d) As cities expand, the demand for a larger transportation network increases to accommodate the growing population.

(e) All are correct

**Question 16:**

- (a) The government introduced new economic reforms to appease the public, who were protesting against rising inflation and unemployment.
- (b) The rising pollution levels have become a major concern for environmentalists, prompting urgent calls for stricter regulations.
- (c) Due to the rising number of cyberattacks, businesses are now investing in stronger security measures to protect sensitive data.

- (d) The outcomes of the project has shown that collaboration between different departments results in more innovative solutions.
- (e) All are correct

**Question 17:**

(a) The ancient Roman gladiator fights were not just battles but a grand spectacle designed to entertain the masses.

(b) The museum features a vast collection of artifacts, including ancient sculptures, rare manuscripts, and historical paintings.

(c) The report shows a significant increase in online shopping trends over the past five years, indicating a shift in consumer behavior.

(d) The professor explained the political context of the speech, highlighting how it influenced public opinion at the time.

(e) All are correct



**Question 18:**

- (a) The company sought expert advice before launching its new product to ensure its success in the competitive market.
- (b) The architect carefully laid out the blueprint for the new office building, ensuring efficient use of space and natural lighting.
- (c) During the meeting, every of my colleagues shared valuable insights on how to improve our department's efficiency.

- (d) The defense lawyer had the unenviable task of representing a client with overwhelming evidence against him.
- (e) All are correct

**Direction: In the following questions,  
each sentence is divided into five parts.  
Rearrange these parts into meaningful  
sentences and mark the option  
accordingly.**

19. The feasibility of early warning systems (A)/ that will deter wild elephants (B)/ and sound deterrent systems (C)/ from entering human habitations (D)/ are also being studied (E)/

(A)DCEBA

(B)ACBDE

(C)ADCBE

(D)BACED

(E)No arrangement required

20.

A. Maharashtra Governor issued a notice that

B. will help tribal and other traditional

C. forest dwelling households to

D. build houses in the

E. neighbourhood forest areas.

- (A)ACDBE
- (B)CBDEA
- (C)DAEBC
- (D)BEDCA
- (E)No rearrangement required

21.

- A. a health advisory released by the Delhi government
- B. in Delhi in the past 24 hours bringing
- C. as many as 3,227 new COVID-19 cases were reported
- D. the overall number of cases
- E. to 2,76,325, according to

- (A)DEABC
- (B)CBDEA
- (C)BDCEA
- (D)DEABC
- (E)No rearrangement required

22.

A. intensify their agitation from October 1,

B. and include an indefinite “rail roko”

C. protest as well as social boycotts of political leaders

D. the farmer outfits announced

E. that they would

- (A)CBDAE
- (B)DEABC
- (C)BDECA
- (D)ACDBE
- (E)No rearrangement required

**Direction : In the questions below, a word has been highlighted above and used in the sentences below the same. You have to identify the sentence in which the given word has properly been used.**

## Question 23:

### Slip

**I.** The company cannot afford to let its market position **slip**, especially with rising competition.

**II.** She took a slow **slip** of her coffee, savoring the rich aroma and warmth on the chilly morning.

**III.** The librarian placed a due date **slip** inside each borrowed book to remind readers of the return deadline.

(a) Only I

(b) Only III

(c) Both I and II

(d) Both I and III

(e) All I, II and III



## Question 24:

### Batch

**I.** The photographer decided to **batch** the wedding pictures into different albums based on the ceremony, reception, and candid moments.

**II.** In the warehouse, employees were trained to **batch** incoming shipments based on their suppliers for easier inventory management.

**III.** The librarian instructed the volunteers to **batch** the returned books by genre before reshelving them.

(a) Only III

(b) Both I and II

(c) Both I and III

(d) Both II and III

(e) All I, II and III

## Question 25:

### Abandon

- I.** The rainforest is home to an **abandon** of diverse plant and animal species, making it one of the most biodiverse places on Earth.
- II.** Due to financial difficulties, the company had to **abandon** its plans for expansion and focus on cost-cutting measures.
- III.** The parents were heartbroken to see their child **abandon** their dreams due to societal pressure.

- (a) Only II
- (b) Both I and III
- (c) Both II and III
- (d) Only I
- (e) All I, II and III

**Direction : In the following questions, a sentence is given consisting of four highlighted words. Choose the option reflecting the word which is either misspelt or grammatically incorrect. If all the highlighted words are correct, choose option (e) i.e. “All are correct” as your answer choice.**

### Question 26:

The chef recommended a light, **refreshing** salad to **acompany** the rich and **flavorful** main course, **ensuring** a well-balanced dining experience.

- (a) refreshing
- (b) acompany
- (c) flavorful
- (d) ensuring
- (e) All are correct

27. The importance is not to treat the **infant** (A) like a china doll, he is more **resilient** (B) than parents often **realize** (C) and prefers to be **handled** (D) with confidence.

- (A) Infant
- (B) Resilient
- (C) Realize
- (D) Handled
- (E) All correct

Q28. The **reciept** showed that the customer had **definitely** paid for the **necessary** items, but the cashier still asked for **confirmation**.

- (a) reciept
- (b) definitely
- (c) necessary
- (d) confirmation
- (e) All are correct

Q29. She was given an **itinerary** for the trip, which included visits to **beautiful beaches** and **museams** in Europe.

- (a) itinerary
- (b) beautiful
- (c) beaches
- (d) museams
- (e) All are correct

30. Embarking on a noble mission, a **phlanthropic(A)** foundation vows to pour substantial funds into **empowering(B)** educational initiatives in **marginalized(C)** communities, fostering equitable **opportunities(D)** for aspiring learners.

- (A) Opportunities
- (B) Phlanthropic
- (C) Empowering
- (D) Marginalized
- (E) All are correct