

VIJETA CHECKLIST MAINS



CHECKLIST 111

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Directions (1-10): In the given questions a small passage is given. In each sentence there are pairs of highlighted words (A, B). Select the most appropriate words to form correct sentences. Then from the options given select the correct option.

Question 1:

Prime Minister Narendra Modi offered what he described as an account of his two **consecutive (A)/complementary (B)** terms in office, delivering his 10th **complementary (A)/customary (B)** address to the nation on Independence Day. His last address on August 15 before the general election next year also turned out to be a campaign speech in **effect (A)/affect (B)**, as he expressed **confidant (A)/confidence (B)** of winning a third term.

- A. ABBA
- B. BABA
- C. BBAA
- D. ABAB
- E. AAAB

Question 2:

Catapulting (A)/Cataloguing (B) the achievements and initiatives of the country **by (A)/since (B)** 2014 — the year he became the Prime Minister — Mr. Modi suggested that it was a new beginning for the country which was **unless (A)/ until (B)** then unstable and aimless even though Independence from British imperialism was won in 1947. Mr. Modi **cited (A)/ sited (B)** demography, democracy and diversity as the three core strengths of the country, before lauding young entrepreneurs, farmers, and sportspeople who overcome the odds.

- A. ABAB
- B. BBAA
- C. BBBA
- D. BBBB
- E. ABAA

Question 3:

He cited three challenges that hold back the progress of India — corruption, dynastic politics and **appeasement (A)/ acquisition (B)** politics. Since 2014, Mr. Modi told fellow citizens — whom he addressed as ‘family members’ throughout the speech — he has been **tackling (A)/ tacking (B)** these challenges head on and making many enemies but remains **undeffered (A)/ undeterred (B)**. According to him, India was **overdoing (A)/ overcoming (B)** the ills of “1000 years of slavery” of the past, and is now laying the foundation for a “1000 year golden era”.

- A. AAAB
- B. AABB
- C. BAAB
- D. BBAA
- E. AB BB

Question 4:

The Prime Minister’s speech was inspiring and optimistic at one level. **But (A)/ Moreover (B)** it was also more self-congratulatory and **exclusive (A)/ expulsive (B)** than self-reflective and **unifying (A)/ untying (B)**, though Mr. Modi said India’s unity across regions, communities and gender was the **upend (A)/ utmost (B)** priority for him.

- A. AAAB
- B. AAAA
- C. AABB
- D. ABAB
- E. AB BB

Question 5:

The unity pitch did not **resonate (A)/ resolve (B)** well, as the **principle (A)/ principal (B)** Opposition party said that his speech was full of “distortions, lies, exaggerations and vague promises”. The Prime Minister **developed (A)/ deployed (B)** his skilful oratory to **conflate (A)/ configure (B)** his own persona with the country.

- A. BABA
- B. BBBA
- C. ABBA

D. ABAB

E. AAAB

Question 6:

His **claim (A)/ claims (B)** of an **uncompromising (A)/ unwavering (B)** crusade against corruption are **weakened (A)/ baffled (B)** by the selective approach of the central investigative agencies that target only Opposition politicians until the point that they **assign (A)/ align (B)** with the party.

A. BAAA

B. BAAB

C. BBAA

D. ABAB

E. AAAA

Question 7:

The latest NSO data, showing retail inflation **accelerating (A)/ decelerating (B)** to a 15-month high, comes less than a week after the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) left interest rates unchanged even as it **vamped (A)/ warned (B)** of “a substantial increase in headline inflation” in the near term. The primary driver of this **surge (A)/slurp (B)** was the food price **component (A)/ connote (B)**, with the Consumer Food Price Index-based inflation accelerating by a mind-numbing 696 basis points to 11.51%, from June’s 4.55%.

A. ABAB

B. ABBB

C. AABB

D. ABAA

E. AABA

Question 8:

Save oils and fats, the 11 other items on the 12-member food and beverages group of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) **lapped (A)/ logged (B)** year-on-year increases in prices. Cereals, the largest food component with an almost 10% weight in the CPI and **representing (A)/ reflecting (B)** the basic

staples of rice and wheat, saw prices surge 13% from July 2022 levels, and **posed (A)/ posted (B)** a near **doubling (A)/ dipping (B)** in the month-on-month pace to 1.2%.

- A. AAB B
- B. BABA
- C. BBAA
- D. BBBA
- E. BAAA

Question 9:

It was, however, vegetables, with a 6% contribution to the CPI, that **witnessed (A)/wickered (B)** a vertigo-inducing **assent (A)/ ascent (B)** in the inflation rate, with prices increasing 37.3% year-on-year, and 38.1% month-on-month in July. Data **composed (A)/ compiled (B)** by CMIE show the **seamless (A)/ sequential (B)** surge in vegetable prices was the highest in at least five years, as tomato prices skyrocketed 214% from June's levels.

- A. AB B B
- B. ABAB
- C. AAAA
- D. BBBB
- E. BABA

Question 10:

The all-India average retail price of the nutrient-rich food as on August 15, **since (A)/ while (B)** 9% softer than a month **after (A)/ earlier (B)**, was **till (A)/ still (B)** at a punishingly **escalated (A)/ elevated (B)** ₹107.87 a kilogram, well over three times last year's Independence Day price of ₹31.66, data from the Consumer Affairs Department show.

- A. ABAB
- B. BBAA
- C. BBBA
- D. BBBB
- E. BAAA

ANSWER

1. Ans: D

Explanation:

Correct passage:

Prime Minister Narendra Modi offered what he described as an account of his two **consecutive** terms in office, delivering his 10th **customary** address to the nation on Independence Day. His last address on August 15 before the general election next year also turned out to be a campaign speech in **effect**, as he expressed **confidence** of winning a third term.

2. Ans: C

Explanation:

Correct passage:

Cataloguing the achievements and initiatives of the country **since** 2014 — the year he became the Prime Minister — Mr. Modi suggested that it was a new beginning for the country which was **until** then unstable and aimless even though Independence from British imperialism was won in 1947. Mr. Modi **cited** demography, democracy and diversity as the three core strengths of the country, before lauding young entrepreneurs, farmers, and sportspeople who overcome the odds.

3. Ans: B

Explanation:

Correct passage:

He cited three challenges that hold back the progress of India — corruption, dynastic politics and **appeasement** politics. Since 2014, Mr. Modi told fellow citizens — whom he addressed as ‘family members’ throughout the speech — he has been **tackling** these challenges head on and making many enemies but remains **undeterred**. According to him, India was **overcoming** the ills of “1000 years of slavery” of the past, and is now laying the foundation for a “1000 year golden era”.

4. Ans: A

Explanation:

Correct passage:

The Prime Minister's speech was inspiring and optimistic at one level. **But** it was also more self-congratulatory and **exclusive** than self-reflective and **unifying**, though Mr. Modi said India's unity across regions, communities and gender was the **utmost** priority for him.

5. Ans: C**Explanation:****Correct passage:**

The unity pitch did not **resonate** well, as the **principal** Opposition party said that his speech was full of "distortions, lies, exaggerations and vague promises". The Prime Minister **deployed** his skilful oratory to **conflate** his own persona with the country.

6. Ans: B**Explanation:****Correct passage:**

His **claims** of an **uncompromising** crusade against corruption are **weakened** by the selective approach of the central investigative agencies that target only Opposition politicians until the point that they **align** with the party.

7. Ans: D**Explanation:****Correct passage:**

The latest NSO data, showing retail inflation **accelerating** to a 15-month high, comes less than a week after the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) left interest rates unchanged even as it **warned** of "a substantial increase in headline inflation" in the near term. The primary driver of this **surge** was the food price **component**, with the Consumer Food Price Index-based inflation accelerating by a mind-numbing 696 basis points to 11.51%, from June's 4.55%.

8. Ans: E**Explanation:****Correct passage:**

Save oils and fats, the 11 other items on the 12-member food and beverages group of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) **logged** year-on-year increases in prices. Cereals, the largest food component with an almost 10% weight in the CPI and **representing** the basic staples of rice and wheat, saw prices surge 13% from July 2022 levels, and **posed** a near **doubling** in the month-on-month pace to 1.2%.

9. Ans: A

Explanation:

Correct passage:

It was, however, vegetables, with a 6% contribution to the CPI, that **witnessed** a vertigo-inducing **ascent** in the inflation rate, with prices increasing 37.3% year-on-year, and 38.1% month-on-month in July. Data **compiled** by CMIE show the **sequential** surge in vegetable prices was the highest in at least five years, as tomato prices skyrocketed 214% from June's levels.

10. Ans: D

Explanation:

Correct passage:

The all-India average retail price of the nutrient-rich food as on August 15, **while** 9% softer than a month **earlier**, was **still** at a punishingly **elevated** ₹107.87 a kilogram, well over three times last year's Independence Day price of ₹31.66, data from the Consumer Affairs Department show.



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