

Error + Match

Direction (1-6): A small paragraph is given below and divided into seven parts. The paragraph contains three errors. The first part that contains an error should be placed in blank (m). The second part that contains an error should be placed in blank (n). Similarly, the third part with an error will be placed in blank (o) in the next question.

Note:

[For example:(a)/(b)/......(c)/......(d). If parts (b) and (d) contain errors, then the entire phrase in part (b) will be placed in blank (m). Likewise, if the second error is in (d), then the entire phrase in part (d) will be placed in blank (n).]

Question 1:

India has reportedly opposed the inclusion of a hazardous insecticide under the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, an international environmental treaty to protect human health and the environment. (a)/ The insecticide, Chlorpyrifos, is a chemical (b)/ linked to adverse affects on neurodevelopment, reduced birth size, lung and prostate cancer upon chronic exposure. (c)/ Chlorpyrifos is listed as a candidate Persistent Organic Pollutants (POP) under the Stockholm Convention after the European Union nominated (d)/ it for global phase-out in 2021. POPs are a cause for concern because they (e)/ remain persistence a long time, widely distributed throughout the environment they accumulate (f)/ and magnify in living organisms thorough the food chain and are toxic to both humans and wildlife. (g)

Which parts do not contain an error?

- (a) bdeg
- (b) adfg
- (c) abef
- (d) abeg
- (e) defg

Question 2:

Column I	Column II	Column III
A) These findings highlight the need for stricter controls on the chemical,	M)	G) prompting stricter regulation measures.
B) The substances in question	N)	H) especially in vulnerable populations.

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C) Once released, these substances linger in ecosystems	O)	I) in soil, water, and living organisms.

- (a) A-O-H, B-N-G and C-M-I
- (b) A-M-H, B-N-I and C-O-G
- (c) A-N-H, B-M-I and C-O-G
- (d) A-O-G, B-M-I and C-N-H
- (e) None of the above

Question 3:

Non-profit organizations play a vital role in societal development by addressing social issues, (a) support vulnerable populations, and promoting civic engagement. (b) These organizations are often the foundation of community support systems, offering essential services such as education, healthcare, and disaster relief. (c) By mobilizing volunteers and resources, (d) non-profits help bridge gaps in government services and brings attention to underrepresented causes. (e) Their efforts generate social value by improving quality of life and fostering inclusion growth. (f) In doing so, non-profit organizations strengthen social cohesion and inspire collective responsibility among citizens. (g)

Which parts do not contain an error?

- (a) abcd
- (b) defg
- (c) adef
- (d) acdg
- (e) acfg

Question 4:

Column I	Column II	Column III
A) Social change accelerates in environments where	M)	G) making them essential contributors to sustainable development

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B) Effective urban planning involves not just infrastructure but also	N)	H) particularly in rural and underserved areas.
C) Though often operating with limited resources,	O)	I) to ensure that development meets community needs.

- (a) A-O-H, B-N-G and C-M-I
- (b) A-M-G, B-O-I and C-N-H
- (c) A-N-H, B-M-I and C-O-G
- (d) A-O-G, B-M-I and C-N-H
- (e) None of the above

Question 5:

India is grappling with the growing challenge of managing electronic waste (e-waste), which poses serious environmental and public health risks. (a) According to recent reports, India is the third-largest producer of e-waste globally, (b) generating million of tonnes annually, yet only a fraction is processed through formal recycling channels. (c) Improper handling of e-waste is a concern because it (d) releases harmful chemicals to the air, contaminates water sources, (e) and exposes unprotected workers to dangerous materials during manual dismantling. In addition to environmental hazards, informal recycling practices contribute to (f) long-term health issues, specially among children and women in urban slums. (g)

Which parts do not contain an error?

- (a) abcd
- (b) abdf
- (c) adef
- (d) acdg
- (e) acfg

Question 6:

	Column I	Column II	Column III
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A) Exposure to poor air quality in densely populated areas contributes to	M)	G) exemplifies the detrimental impact of unregulated manufacturing practices on ecological systems.
B) The industrial plant, which	N)	H) exacerbating existing social inequalities.
C) The industry produces vast amounts of waste	O)	I) leaving the majority to pollute the environment.

- (a) A-O-H, B-N-G and C-M-I
- (b) A-M-G, B-O-I and C-N-H
- (c) A-N-H, B-M-I and C-O-G
- (d) A-O-G, B-M-I and C-N-H
- (e) None of the above

Word order

Direction (7-10): In each of the following questions, two statements are given with three highlighted words in each. These bold words may or may not be in their correct place and need to be interchanged with the words of the other statement. You have to choose the correct pair to interchange the words and make both sentences grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. If both statements are correct and need no interchange, mark your answer as E, 'no interchange needed'.

Question 7:

- **I.** During its deliberations on **transparency (A)** of surveillance targeting public officials, journalists, and civil society members, the Court implicitly **hampered (B)** the urgent need to prevent **conspicuous (C)** and politically motivated intrusions.
- **II.** Although the Court constituted a technical committee to examine the allegations, the inquiry was **emphasized (D)** by institutional non-cooperation and a/an **arbitrary (E)** lack of **allegations (F)** from key stakeholders.
- A. ABCDFE
- B. FDEBCA
- C. DACFBE
- D. FBCADE
- E. No rearrangement required

Question 8:

- **I.** As terrorist networks and transnational criminals increasingly **assault (A)** encryption and digital **security (B)**, the state's capacity to neutralize **threats (C)** without robust technological and legal frameworks remains deeply compromised.
- **II.** Against the backdrop of the recent terrorist **exploit (D)** in Pahalgam, the Court's intervention underscores a critical **tension (E)**—balancing national **anonymity (F)** imperatives with the preservation of civil liberties.
- A. DFCAEB
- B. ABEDCF
- C. DFEACB
- D. CDBFAE
- E. No rearrangement required

Question 9:

- **I.** While the government has **adequate (A) provision (B)** to spearhead innovation in quantum computing and artificial intelligence, such missions are rendered hollow without **young (C)** scientific manpower.
- **II.** To genuinely **advance (D)** its research ambitions, the state must prioritize the **ambitions (E)** of stable careers, competitive compensation, and robust infrastructure for **articulated (F)** researchers.
- A. AEBFCD
- B. EFBCAD
- C. CEBFDA
- D. FEADBC
- E. No rearrangement required

Question 10:

- I. In a decisive **escalation (A)** to the recent Pahalgam terror attack that **heightened (B)** 26 lives, India's Cabinet Committee on Security announced the **diplomacy (C)** of the Indus Waters Treaty (IWT) of 1960, pending Pakistan's unequivocal renunciation of cross-border terrorism.
- **II.** The **response (D)** of the water dispute to international forums may have broader implications for regional **suspension (E)**, especially at a time of **claimed (F)** tensions between the two nuclear-armed neighbours.
- A. AFBDCE
- B. AFEDCB
- C. DFEACB
- D. AFCAED
- E. No rearrangement required

ANSWER

1.Ans: (c)

Explanation: The three parts which contain errors are: c, d, and g.

(c): "adverse affects" → "adverse effects"

"Affects" is a verb (e.g., The weather affects my mood). "Effects" is a noun and should be used here (e.g., The drug has side effects).

(d): "remain persistence" → incorrect

"Persistence" is a noun; it should be the adjective "persistent"

(g): "thorough the food chain" → incorrect word

"Thorough" (meaning detailed) should be "through".

2.Ans: (b)

Explanation:

A-M-H: These findings highlight the need for stricter controls on the chemical, (M) linked to adverse effects on neurodevelopment, reduced birth size, and lung and prostate cancer upon chronic exposure, especially in vulnerable populations.

B-N-I: The substances in question (N) remain persistent for a long time, widely distributed throughout the environment, they accumulate in soil, water, and living organisms.

C-O-G: Once released, these substances linger in ecosystems **(O)** and magnify in living organisms through the food chain and are toxic to both humans and wildlife, prompting stricter regulation measures.

3.Ans: (d)

Explanation: The three parts which contain errors are: b, e, f

- **(b):** The verbs in the list after "by" should all be in the **same -ing form** to maintain **parallel structure**. "Support" should be changed to "**supporting**."
- (e): The subject "non-profits" is plural, so the verb should be "bring", not "brings."
- (f): "Inclusion growth" is incorrect. The intended term is likely "inclusive growth." "Inclusive growth" is a standard economic and social term that means growth that benefits all sections of society.

4.Ans: (c)

Explanation:

A-N-H: Social change accelerates in environments where (N) non-profits help bridge gaps in government services and bring attention to underrepresented causes, particularly in rural and underserved areas.

B-M-I: Effective urban planning involves not just infrastructure but also **(M) supporting vulnerable populations, and promoting civic engagement** to ensure that development meets community needs.

C-O-G: Though often operating with limited resources, (O) their efforts generate social value by improving quality of life and fostering inclusive growth, making them essential contributors to sustainable development.

5.Ans: (b)

Explanation: The three parts which contain errors are: c, e, g

(c): "Million" refers to one million (a singular unit). When we talk about more than one million, we need to use the plural form, **"millions"**.

- (e): "Releases harmful chemicals to the air" → The correct preposition should be "into" rather than "to". "Into" is used when referring to movement or action that goes inside a place or a substance (e.g., harmful chemicals being released into the air).
- (g): "Specially" should be "especially" in this context.
- "Specially" is used when referring to something done for a specific purpose (e.g., *This was specially designed for you*).
- **"Especially"** is the correct choice when emphasizing a specific group or situation (e.g., *This is especially true among children*).

6.Ans: (a)

Explanation:

- A-O-H: Exposure to poor air quality in densely populated areas contributes to (O) long-term health issues, especially among children and women in urban slums, exacerbating existing social inequalities.
- **B-N-G:** The industrial plant, which **(N)** releases harmful chemicals into the air and contaminates water sources, exemplifies the detrimental impact of unregulated manufacturing practices on ecological systems.
- **C-M-I:** The industry produces vast amounts of waste, **(M)** generating millions of tonnes annually, yet only a fraction is processed through formal recycling channels, leaving the majority to pollute the environment.

7.Ans: B

Explanation:

Correct sequence:

- **I.** During its deliberations on **allegations** of surveillance targeting public officials, journalists, and civil society members, the Court implicitly **emphasized** the urgent need to prevent **arbitrary** and politically motivated intrusions.
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8.Ans: A

Explanation:

Correct sequence:

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9.Ans: D Explanation:

Correct sequence:

- **I.** While the government has **articulated ambitions** to spearhead innovation in quantum computing and artificial intelligence, such missions are rendered hollow without **adequate** scientific manpower.
- **II.** To genuinely **advance** its research ambitions, the state must prioritize the **provision** of stable careers, competitive compensation, and robust infrastructure for **young** researchers.

10. Ans: C Explanation:

Correct sequence:

- I. In a decisive **response** to the recent Pahalgam terror attack that **claimed** 26 lives, India's Cabinet Committee on Security announced the **suspension** of the Indus Waters Treaty (IWT) of 1960, pending Pakistan's unequivocal renunciation of cross-border terrorism.
- **II.** The **escalation** of the water dispute to international forums may have broader implications for regional **diplomacy**, especially at a time of **heightened** tensions between the two nuclear-armed neighbours.







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