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Directions (1-6): Eight statements are given in jumbled form. Arrange them in the correct order to create a coherent paragraph. Afterwards, answer the questions based on the paragraph by reading them carefully:

U is fixed at the fifth statement.

P. Early 1900s airplanes were made of wood, Prof Murata said. A wooden satellite should be feasible, too.

Q. Named LignoSat, after the Latin word for wood, its panels have been built from a type of magnolia tree, using a traditional technique without screws or glue.

R. It will then be released into orbit above the Earth.

S. The world's first wood-panelled satellite has been launched into space to test the suitability of timber as a renewable building material in future exploration of destinations like the Moon and Mars.

T. Wood is more durable in space than on Earth because there's no water or oxygen that would rot or inflame it, Kyoto University forest science professor Koji Murata told Reuters news agency.

U. Researchers at Kyoto University who developed it hope it may be possible in the future to replace some metals used in space exploration with wood.

V. in addition to its wood panels, LignoSat includes **(b)**/ traditional aluminum structures and electronic components **(d)**/ to observe how the wood responds to **(e)**/ the harsh conditions of space throughout **(c)**/ its six-month orbit around Earth, he also added **(a)**

W. LingoSat, made by researchers in Japan, the tiny satellite weighing just 900g is heading for the International Space Station on a SpaceX mission.

Question 1:

Rearrange the parts of the sentence to make the sentence coherent.

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includes **(b)**/ the harsh conditions of space
throughout **(c)**/ traditional aluminum structures
and electronic components **(d)**/ to observe how
the wood responds to **(e)**

- (a) bdcae
- (b) daecb
- (c) bdeca
- (d) debac
- (e) None of the above

Question 2:

Which of the following is/ are the **TRUE** statement (s) based on the given paragraph?

I. The main goal of the project is to replace all metals in space structures with wood.

II. LignoSat will orbit Earth for six months to observe how wood responds to the harsh conditions of space.

III. LignoSat was built using modern industrial methods with heavy reliance on screws and glue.

(a) Only II

(b) Both I and II

(c) Both II and III

(d) Only III

(e) All I, II and III

Question 3:

Which of the following sentence can come between the **Third** and **Fifth** sentences after the rearrangement?

- (a) LingoSat, made by researchers in Japan, the tiny satellite weighing just 900g is heading for the International Space Station on a SpaceX mission.
- (b) Early 1900s airplanes were made of wood, Prof Murata said. A wooden satellite should be feasible, too.
- (c) Named LignoSat, after the Latin word for wood, its panels have been built from a type of magnolia tree, using a traditional technique without screws or glue.

(d) It will then be released into orbit above the Earth.

(e) None of the above

Question 4:

Which of the following options is the pair of the **INTRODUCTORY** statement and the **TERMINAL** statement, respectively, after the correct rearrangement?

- (a) RS
- (b) PT
- (c) SV
- (d) WP
- (e) None of the above

Question 5:

Which of the following options is the pair of the **ANTEPENULTIMATE** statement and the **PENULTIMATE** statement, respectively, after the correct rearrangement?

- (a) VP
- (b) TP
- (c) VT
- (d) ST
- (e) None of the above

Question 6:

Which of the following combinations is the combination of **THREE CONSECUTIVE statements** after the correct rearrangement?

- (a) QPS
- (b) QPV
- (c) RUT
- (d) STR
- (e) None of the above

Directions (7-12): A paragraph is given below with 6 blanks. Below 6 different phrases are also given, which will fill these blanks and make a coherent passage. You are required to find the correct place for these phrases and fill in the blanks.

A well-developed gas transmission infrastructure is a fundamental pillar of a competitive gas market. As a natural monopoly, the transmission network requires strong, neutral, and non-discriminatory access frameworks to ensure fair market participation. Efficient, transparent, and prompt access to transport capacity — without compromising the security of the gas grid — is essential for __**(m)**__ gas sector. India's gas market holds immense potential to support its energy transition, particularly as efforts intensify to integrate cleaner, more sustainable energy sources. However, inefficiencies in transportation capacity allocation and __**(n)**__ . Key challenges such as outdated regulatory frameworks, the __**(o)**__ of transparency, necessitate urgent reform. Addressing these is critical to ensuring an open, competitive, and efficient market that can dynamically respond to the evolving energy landscape. One of the primary challenges affecting the industry is __**(p)**__ and related procedures. The current code is in existence for more than 10 years and does not align with international best practices or cater to the evolving market demands. For example, pipeline operators are allowed up to three days to confirm capacity booking, __**(q)**__ . Additionally, the absence of mechanisms such as day-ahead or within-day capacity booking restricts flexibility and __**(r)**__ .

- 1. access mechanisms have constrained market growth**
- 2. stifles the development of a market-oriented balancing system**
- 3. which is too long a time for short-term transactions**
- 4. fostering competition and unlocking the full potential of India's**
- 5. an outdated code that governs the access to pipelines/grid**
- 6. consolidation of marketing and transportation functions, and a lack**

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Efficient, transparent, and prompt access to transport capacity — without compromising the security of the gas grid — is essential for ____**(m)**____ gas sector.

Question 7:

Which of the following phrases can contextually and grammatically fill the **place m**?

(a) 6

(b) 1

(c) 2

(d) 4

(e) 3

However, inefficiencies in transportation capacity allocation and **__(n)___** .

Question 8:

Which of the following phrases can contextually and grammatically fill the **place n**?

(a) 5

(b) 3

(c) 6

(d) 4

(e) 1

Key challenges such as outdated regulatory frameworks, the ____**(o)**____ of transparency, necessitate urgent reform.

Question 9:

Which of the following phrases can contextually and grammatically fill the **place o**?

(a) 4

(b) 3

(c) 6

(d) 2

(e) 5

One of the primary challenges affecting the industry is ____**(p)**__ and related procedures.

Question 10:

Which of the following phrases can contextually and grammatically fill the **place p**?

(a) 4

(b) 2

(c) 5

(d) 3

(e) 1

For example, pipeline operators are allowed up to three days to confirm capacity booking, ____**(q)**____ .

Question 11:

Which of the following phrases can contextually and grammatically fill the **place q**?

(a) 1

(b) 3

(c) 6

(d) 5

(e) 4

Additionally, the absence of mechanisms such as day-ahead or within-day capacity booking restricts flexibility and (r) .

Question 12:

Which of the following phrases can contextually and grammatically fill the **place r**?

(a) 1

(b) 6

(c) 3

(d) 5

(e) 2

Directions (13-16): The passage below contains blanks where idioms have been removed. Choose the most appropriate idiom from the options to complete the passage.

When the Falcons basketball team was first formed, their coach knew they needed to **(A)** to build trust. Early practices were chaotic, with players often appearing uncomfortable in the unfamiliar environment. The coach emphasized that they couldn't afford to be complacent if they wanted to win championships. Mid-season, a losing streak brought morale to its lowest point. The team captain decided it was time to **(B)** and called a meeting. The players agreed to **(C)** and refine their strategies. Their hard work began to pay off during a crucial game, where they managed to

 (D) against a top rival. The coach reminded them, "Stay focused until the final buzzer." By the time the playoffs arrived, the Falcons had proven that teamwork leads to success.

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Question 13:

Which of the following best fits in Blank A?

(a) break the ice

(b) burn bridges

(c) hit the sack

(d) beat around the bush

(e) None of the above

The team captain decided it was time to
____(B)____ and called a meeting.

Question 14:

Which of the following best fits in Blank B?

- (a) pull their weight
- (b) cut corners
- (c) bite the bullet
- (d) spill the beans
- (e) None of the above

The players agreed to __**(C)**__ and refine their strategies.

Question 15:

Which of the following best fits in Blank C?

- (a) hit the ground running
- (b) go back to the drawing board
- (c) burn the midnight oil
- (d) throw in the towel
- (e) None of the above

Their hard work began to pay off during a crucial game, where they managed to ____**(D)**____ against a top rival.

Question 16:

Which of the following best fits in Blank D?

- (a) turn the tide
- (b) hit the jackpot
- (c) face the music
- (d) pass the buck
- (e) None of the above

Connectors + Match the column:

Directions (17-21): In the question given below, three columns are given. Columns 1 and 3 contain different independent sentences and Column 2 contains three connectors that may or may not join the given sentences in the other two columns. Mark the option which provides the correct sequences of joined sentences as your answer.

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
A) The speech was well-received by the audience,	1) as a result	D) it fosters critical thinking and problem-solving skills. .
B) The program helps students improve their academic performance;	2) although	E) its profits declined significantly over the past year.
C) The company failed to adapt to market changes;	3) moreover	F) some critics argued that it lacked depth and originality.

Question 17:

(a) A1F, B3D and C2E

(b) A3E, B1F and C2D

(c) A2F, B3D and C1E

(d) A1E, B2F and C3D

(e) None of the above

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
A) The research highlighted the effects of pollution on marine life;	1) likewise	D) it suggested strategies for reducing environmental damage.
B) The government invested heavily in renewable energy projects;	2) but	E) private corporations began exploring sustainable alternatives.
C) I was exhausted after a long day at work,	3) additionally	F) I still managed to go to the gym.

Question 18:

- (a) A1D, B3F and C2E
- (b) A3D, B1E and C2F
- (c) A2E, B3F and C1D
- (d) A1E, B2D and C3F
- (e) None of the above

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
A) The team struggled with injuries throughout the season;	1) similarly	D) the beauty industry is beginning to shift toward eco-friendly products. .
B) The new policy improves workplace diversity;	2) furthermore	E) they managed to secure a playoff spot.
C) The fashion industry embraced sustainable practices in clothing production;	3) despite this	F) it ensures that all employees receive equal pay for equal work.

Question 19:

- (a) A3F, B1D and C2E
- (b) A3D, B1E and C2F
- (c) A3F, B2D and C1E
- (d) A3E, B2F and C1D
- (e) None of the above

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Question 20:
A) She was exhausted after a long day at work,	1) in the same vein	D) she still found the energy to cook dinner for her family. .	
B) The first book in the series explored deep philosophical questions,	2) consequently	E) the second installment tackles existential dilemmas through a different narrative lens.	
C) The airline had to cancel several flights due to bad weather;	3) though	F) hundreds of passengers were stranded at the airport.	

(a) A1E, B3D and C2F

(b) A3D, B1E and C2F

(c) A2E, B3F and C1D

(d) A2D, B1E and C3F

(e) None of the above

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Question 21:
A) He couldn't attend the meeting	1) since	D) the southern areas enjoy a mild climate throughout the year. .	
B) The research highlights the negative impact of deforestation on biodiversity;	2) whereas	E) he had an urgent medical appointment.	
C) The northern regions experience harsh winters,	3) also	F) it emphasizes the urgent need for sustainable land management practices to mitigate further damage.	

(a) A1F, B3D and C2E

(b) A2D, B1E and C3F

(c) A2F, B3D and C1E

(d) A1E, B3F and C2D

(e) None of the above

Direction (22-26): Two separate sentences are divided into three parts each. Out of the six parts, one or more may contain errors, and the correct form is also given. Identify the option with the correct form and mark it as your answer. Mark (E) if the sentence contains no error.

Question 22:

If companies prioritise employee well-being, **(A)**/ productivity and job satisfaction **(B)**/ could have flourished. **(C)**

The Budget is likely to have income tax sops for middle-income **(D)**/ households who are reeling under runaway inflation, and it is **(E)**/ possible that, at some point, goods and services tax rates may be eased. **(F)**

I. E. households which are reeling under runaway inflation, and it is

II. D. The Budget is might likely to have income tax sops for middle-income

III. C. can flourish

IV. F. possibly that, at some point, goods and services tax rates may be eased

V. B. productivity and job satisfied

(a) Only III

(b) Both II and IV

(c) All I, II and V

(d) Both I and III

(e) No error

Question 23:

The architect had meticulously laid the **(A)**/ foundation for the skyscraper, taking into account **(B)**/ every structural detail to insure its stability. **(C)**

As we hiked through the woods, **(D)**/ we could hear the river flowing **(E)**/ yesterday slowly in the distance. **(F)**

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(a) All I, II and IV

(b) Both II and IV

(c) All II, IV and V

(d) All III, IV and V

(e) No error

Question 24:

They built their new house besides the lake, where the water **(A)**/ sparkled in the sunlight, and every morning, they would **(B)**/ wake up to the breathtaking view of the mist rising off the surface. **(C)**

The sharp and swift depreciation in the **(D)**/ value of the rupee against the dollar have **(E)**/ caught some in India Inc on the wrong foot. **(F)**

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(d) Both II and IV

(e) No error

Question 25:

Tax planners have recently been pursuing **(A)**/ innovative ways to raise revenues **(B)**/ while balancing populist interests. **(C)**

A new taxation approach should **(D)**/ encourage even small contributions from **(E)**/ those who can afford it. **(F)**

I. E. encouraged even small contributions from

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(b) Both II and V

(c) Only III

(d) Only I

(e) No error

Question 26:

Apart from addressing the immediate challenges facing **(A)**/ the economy, the upcoming Union Budget also needs to boost **(B)**/ India's growth potential over the medium term by resetting priorities.

(C)

The weather in this region is seldom, or ever, **(D)**/ so unpredictable, making today **(E)**/ sudden storm all the more surprising. **(F)**

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(b) Both I and IV

(c) All I, III and V

(d) All III, IV and V

(e) No error

Direction (27-32): A paragraph is given below with three blanks. Phrases are provided below in the form of a 'Match the Following'. First, solve the 'Match the Following' to determine the consecutive pairs of phrases, which will then fit appropriately into the three respective blanks in the paragraph.

Passage I

The Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA) was established in 2016 under the ministry of corporate affairs (MCA) as a custodian of investors' funds unclaimed for over seven years. It pools these funds under the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) and administers refunds of unclaimed shares, dividends, matured corporate deposits/debentures, etc. to the rightful claimant. (m) . Out of 11,450 lakh unclaimed shares lying with the fund, only 50.95 lakh were returned to the investors until October 31, 2022. (n) . This article explores the inefficiencies of the process. To claim a refund, an investor or their heir has to apply online at the MCA portal and submit a copy of the e-application physically along with other documents to the company's nodal officer. Thereafter, the

company needs to send the verification report to the authority that, in turn, is supposed to examine it and refund the amount. This is the theory. In practice, the process is extremely inefficient and requires a complete overhaul. Firstly, the portal is mired in frequent technical issues and the user interface is unfriendly. (o) . This makes the navigation complicated and confusing.

Question 27:

Solve the 'Match the Following' to determine the consecutive pairs of phrases that should appropriately fit into the given blanks.

Column I	Column II	Column III
(P) Consequently, investors' hard-earned money	(S) for various signatories like nodal officer, authorised signatory, etc.,	(V) making every effort to complete the formalities.
(Q) Companies have to switch to different modes	(T) remains stuck with the IEPFA for years despite claimants	(W) of resolution remains tardy.
(R) The pool has more than	(U) tripled since 2016-17, but the speed	(X) and each time, several one-time passwords are generated.

(a) PUW, QTV, RSX

(b) PSV, QTX, RUW

(c) PTV, QSW, RUX

(d) PTV, QSX, RUW

(e) PUW, QSX, RTV

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Question 28:

Based on the previous question, which of the following consecutive pairs should fit in the blanks (m), (n), and (o), respectively?

- (a) (Q __, __), (R __, __), (P __, __)
- (b) (R __, __), (P __, __), (Q __, __)
- (c) (Q __, __), (P __, __), (R __, __)
- (d) (P __, __), (R __, __), (Q __, __)
- (e) (R __, __), (Q __, __), (P __, __)

Passage II:

In the evolving landscape of global trade, President Donald Trump's return to the White House brings renewed focus on the "America First" trade policy. Fortuitously, his threats present opportunities for India's economic aspirations. In his first term, Trump's tariffs on Chinese exports to America proved to be a double-edged sword. **_(m)_**. China, on the other hand, deftly circumvented them by relocating its assembly operations to Southeast Asia while retaliating with targeted tariffs on American goods. Now, as Trump signals an expansion of this approach to include America's key trading partners such as Canada, Mexico, and India, many have warned about potential destabilisation of the global trade system. **_(n)_**. Yet, within this brewing trade storm lies significant opportunities for India. Rather than engaging in a destructive tariff war, India and the US are keen on signing a Bilateral Trade Agreement (BTA). According to the

India-US joint statement last month, signed by President Trump and India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi, its negotiation is expected to be completed by autumn/fall of 2025. Its economic case is compelling. **_(o)_**.

Question 29:

Solve the 'Match the Following' to determine the consecutive pairs of phrases that should appropriately fit into the given blanks.

Column I	Column II	Column III
(P) Currently, India's average tariff is 20% higher than of the US,	(S) with even larger differentials in agriculture	(V) increased business uncertainty, and reduced productivity and investment.
(Q) The resulting business uncertainty could reduce	(T) those measures drove inflation, slowed GDP growth,	(W) and allied sectors as compared to those in manufacturing
(R) While aimed at reducing America's trade deficit and creating jobs there,	(U) foreign direct investment flows and productivity worldwide,	(X) potentially pushing the US towards recession.

(a) PTX, QSV, RUW

(b) PUV, QTX, RSW

(c) PSW, QUX, RTV

(d) PSV, QUW, RTX

(e) PTW, QUX, RSV

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Question 30:

Based on the previous question, which of the following consecutive pairs should fit in the blanks (m), (n), and (o), respectively?

- (a) (P_,_), (Q _, _), (R _, _)
- (b) (Q_,_), (R _, _), (P _, _)
- (c) (R_,_), (P _, _), (Q _, _)
- (d) (P_,_), (R _, _), (Q _, _)
- (e) (R_,_), (Q _, _), (P _, _)

Passage III

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) recently introduced the Industry Standards Recognition Manual (ISF Manual). **__(m)___**. While the ISF Manual came out only recently, the journey of ISFs began in 2023 with a pilot project that sought to involve listed companies and stockbrokers for formulating standards based on SEBI's regulatory instructions. Subsequently, similar fora were set up on a pilot basis for other stakeholders/participants of the securities markets. The concept of ISFs, however, is not new. **__(n)___**. The UK's market regulator, the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA), recognises these codes to ensure compliance. Thus, trade associations or industry bodies develop standards, and the FCA endorses them if they meet certain criteria. In the Indian context, the ISF Manual has clarified that the role of ISFs is to identify regulatory

directives that require implementation standards. **__(o)___**. ISFs will not be considered self-regulatory organisations and will not have any power to undertake regulatory action against any industry participant for compliance failure.

Question 31: Solve the 'Match the Following' to determine the consecutive pairs of phrases that should appropriately fit into the given blanks.

Column I	Column II	Column III
(P) The UK has similar provisions	(S) draft appropriate standards primarily in the form	(V) of specifics, checklists, or standard operating procedures, assisting industry participants in compliance.
(Q) It is a set of guidelines	(T) that governs the formation and functioning	(W) of fora known as Industry Standards Forums.
(R) Once such directives are identified, ISFs will, through a consultative process,	(U) allowing industry groups to create codes	(X) that help members implement existing financial laws.

- (a) PSW, QUV, RTX
- (b) PUX, QTW, RSV
- (c) PTX, QSV, RUW
- (d) PSV, QTW, RUX
- (e) PTX, QUV, RSW

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Question 32:

Based on the previous question, which of the following consecutive pairs should fit in the blanks (m), (n), and (o), respectively?

- (a) (Q __, __), (R __, __), (P __, __)
- (b) (R __, __), (P __, __), (Q __, __)
- (c) (Q __, __), (P __, __), (R __, __)
- (d) (P __, __), (R __, __), (Q __, __)
- (e) (R __, __), (Q __, __), (P __, __)

Directions (33-35): In the following questions, a sentence is given with two blanks in it followed by two columns. From column I, pick the most appropriate alternative/s that fit/s correctly in the first blank and from column II pick the most appropriate alternative/s that fit/s correctly in the second blank. Choose the correct combination of words using the given options. If none of the combinations is correct, choose option E as your answer.

Question 33:

The _____ instructions provided by the manual left the engineers _____, resulting in multiple assembly errors.

Column I	Column II
P. ambiguous	S. baffled
Q. lucid	T. deceived
R. convoluted	U. delayed

- (a) Both P-U and Q-T
- (b) Only P-T
- (c) Only R-S
- (d) Both P-S and R-S
- (e) None of the above

Question 34:

Despite its _____ presentation, the dish was disappointingly _____, lacking the depth of flavor one would expect from a gourmet meal.

Column I	Column II
P. indomitable	S. bland
Q. extravagant	T. ambush
R. exorbitant	U. insipid

- (a) Only Q-S
- (b) Both P-T and R-T
- (c) Both Q-U and R-S
- (d) Only R-U
- (e) None of the above

Question 35:

The community continues to _____ the government's apathetic response to their plight, as broken promises and unfulfilled policies _____ public trust.

Column I	Column II
P. penetrate	S. endorse
Q. resent	T. erode
R. rebound	U. defray

- (a) Only Q-T
- (b) Both P-S and Q-T
- (c) Only R-U
- (d) Both R-T and Q-T
- (e) None of the above

Direction (36-40): Below are two individuals, Alex and Jamie, engaged in a discussion on a specific topic. Throughout their conversation, there are four options with the correct combination of words that should replace each other in order to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct. Find the correct combination of words that replace each other. If the sentence is correct as it is, select 'E', 'the sentence is correct' as your option.

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Which of the following options is correctly arranged for (i) ?

- (a) Only A-C
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Which of the following options is correctly arranged for (iii) ?

- (a) Only B-C
- (b) Both A-D and B-C
- (c) Only A-C
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Question 40:

Which of the following options is correctly arranged for (v) ?

- (a) Both A-B and C-D
- (b) Only B-D
- (c) Both A-C and B-D
- (d) Only C-D
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