

Foundation Questions on General English - Part II

Course on General Aptitude and Engineering Mathematics for GATE
2023-24

General Aptitude

PYQ'S on General English - III

Question 1

I

II

III

IV

The professor ordered to the students to go out of the class.

Which of the underlined parts of the sentence is grammatically incorrect?

A. I

B. II

C. III

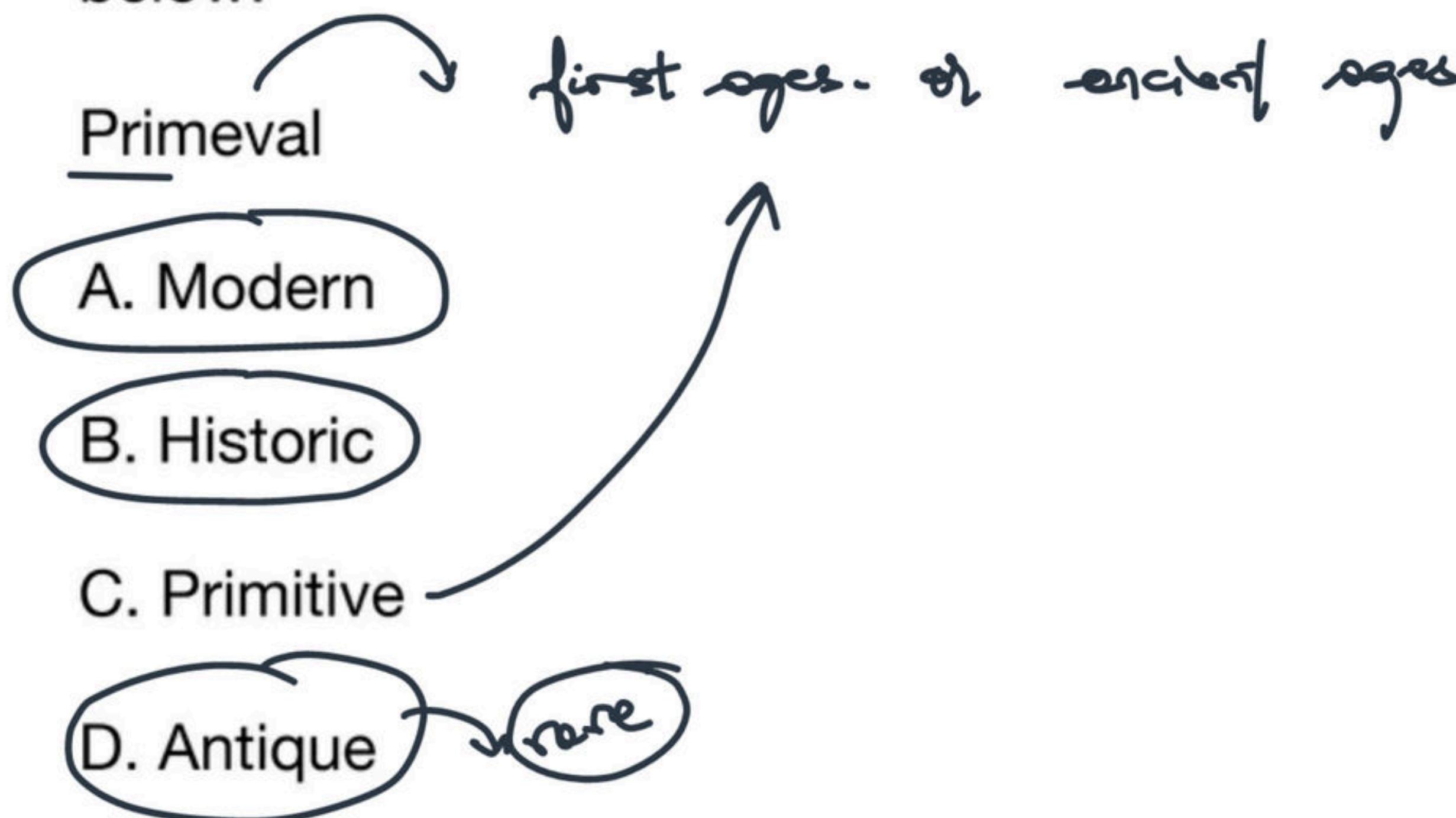
D. IV

Answer

- Option B)

Question 2

Which of the following options is the closest in meaning to the word given below:



Answer

Option C)

Primeval pertains to the first age or ages especially of the world

Secret

Question 3

Friendship, no matter how close. it is, has its **limitations.**

restrictions

- A. Cordial
- B. Intimate

friendly behaviour.

C. Secret ×

D. Pleasant ×

closeness.

Answer

Option B)

Friends No matter how intimate it is has its limitation. Intimate refers to close personal relations. It is also characterized by or involving warm friendship or personally Close or familiar association or feeling.

Analogous pair

Question 4

Select the pair that best expresses a relationship similar to that expressed in the pair:

Agencies : Result

Medicine: Health

Object : Work

A. Science:Experiment

B. Wealth:Peace

C. Education:Knowledge

D. Money:Happiness



Answer

Option C)

Medicine leads to good health. Similarly Education leads to Knowledge. Science does not lead to experiment .Wealth may not necessarily lead to peace. Also money may not also lead to happiness all the time.

Conditional sentence.

Question 5

Choose the most appropriate alternative from the options given below to complete the following sentence:

If the tired soldier wanted to lie down, he ----- the ~~matress~~ out on the balcony

c

matress

A. Should take x

B. Shall take x

C. Should have taken

D. Will have taken

past tense

must
comp

Assumption

Answer

- Option C)

Question 6

M.S. Dhoni

Stephens

Choose the most appropriate word from the options given below to complete the following Sentence:

Given the seriousness of the situation that he had to face, his [-----]
was impressive.

serious

* A. Beggary

* B. Nomenclature [Naming]

* C. Jealousy

D. Nonchalance

[Cool, calm behaviour].

outstanding

General, different attitude

Answer

- Option D)
- Nonchalance - Casual/Indifferent/ not a serious attitude

Question 7

Which one of the following options is the closest in meaning to the word given below?

Latitude

A. Eligibility

B. Freedom

C. Coercion

D. Meticulousness

Precast = [full freedom but there are some restrictions]

full freedom without any restriction
(persuading someone) স্বত্ত্বা.

Very Careful
freedom with restriction

Answer

- Option D)
- Latitude - freedom of expression or freedom action with some restrictions.
- Meticulousness - Extremely careful
- Coercion - force opposite to attitude

Question 8

One of the parts (A, B, C, D) in the sentence given below contains an ERROR. Which one of the following is INCORRECT?

I requested that he should be given the driving test today instead of tomorrow.

- A. Requested that
- B. Should be given
- C. The driving test ~~today~~.
- D. Instead of tomorrow

Completely.

Request = pleading someone

≠ should.

Answer

- Option A)

#rule:

Ary word should not be repeated twice unless it is needed to.

Question 9

Choose the most appropriate alternative from the options given below to complete the following sentence:

b.

Despite several----- the mission succeeded in its attempt to resolve the conflict.

hurdles = restrictions

Stop you in daily work.

A. attempts

defeat.

B. setbacks

C. meetings

D. delegations

group of meet'ys

Answer

Option B)

Question 10

Which one of the following options is the closest in meaning to the word given below?

Mitigate

reduce, shrink.

A. Diminish

decrease

B. Divulge

C. Dedicate

D. Denote

point out

Answer

- Option A)
- Mitigate means to reduce

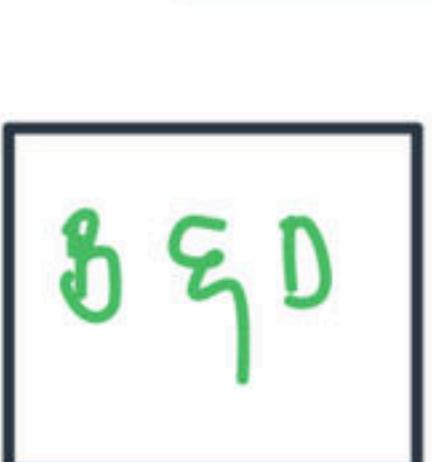
Comparative degree of adjective.

Question 11

P - less → one
C - lesser → two
S - least → three or more.

- Choose the grammatically INCORRECT sentence:

- A. They gave us the money back less the service charges of Three Hundred rupees.
- B. This country's expenditure is ~~not~~ less than that of Bangladesh.
- C. The committee initially asked for a funding of Fifty Lakh rupees, but later settled for a → lesser sum.
- D. This country's expenditure on educational reforms is ~~very~~ less



Answer

- Option B)
- The country's expenditure is not less than that of Bangladesh.

Question 12

- Choose the most appropriate alternative from the options given below to complete the following sentence:

- Suresh's dog is the one----- was hurt in the stampede.

A. That

B. Which ?

C. Who ?

D. Whom ? .

that

Subject = Dog

Answer

- Option A)
- Restrictive Clause.

Question 13

male or female

Wanted Temporary, Part- time persons for the post of Field Interviewer to conduct personal interviews to collect and collate economic data.

Requirements: High School- pass, must be available for Day, Evening and Saturday work, transportation paid, expenses reimbursed. Which one of the following is the best inference from the above advertisement?

- ✓ A. Gender Discriminatory
- ✗ B. Xenophobic [Fear of foreigners]
- ✗ C. Not designed to make the post attractive
- D. Not gender discriminatory

Answer

- Option D)

Comprehension

Comprehension = something which can be understood.

Question 14

Which of the following options is the closest in the meaning to the word below?

Inexplicable

Unable to understand.

A. Incomprehensible

Unable to understand

B. Indelible

the ink / stain cannot be removed.

C. Inextricable

impossible / difficult to separate.

D. Infallible

never does any mistake

Answer

- Option A)

I am going to visit her.
(present, future)

Question 15

Chose the most appropriate word (s) from the options given below to complete the following sentence:

I **contemplated** _____ Singapore for my vacation but **decided** against it.

- A. To visit
- B. Having to visit
- C. Visiting
- D. for a visit

Answer

- Option C)

Question 16

excellent, engage

Choose the most appropriate word from the options given below to complete the following sentence

If you are trying to make a strong impression on your audience , you cannot do so by being understated, tentative or _____ .

- A. Hyperbolic = *exaggerate*
- B. Restrained = *tired or being set in a limit*
- C. Argumentative =
- D. Indifferent = *Different from others*

Actv

Answer

- Option B)

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Com. seq = BCD

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3 people = options to 1

Question 17

Choose the word from the options given below that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the given word.

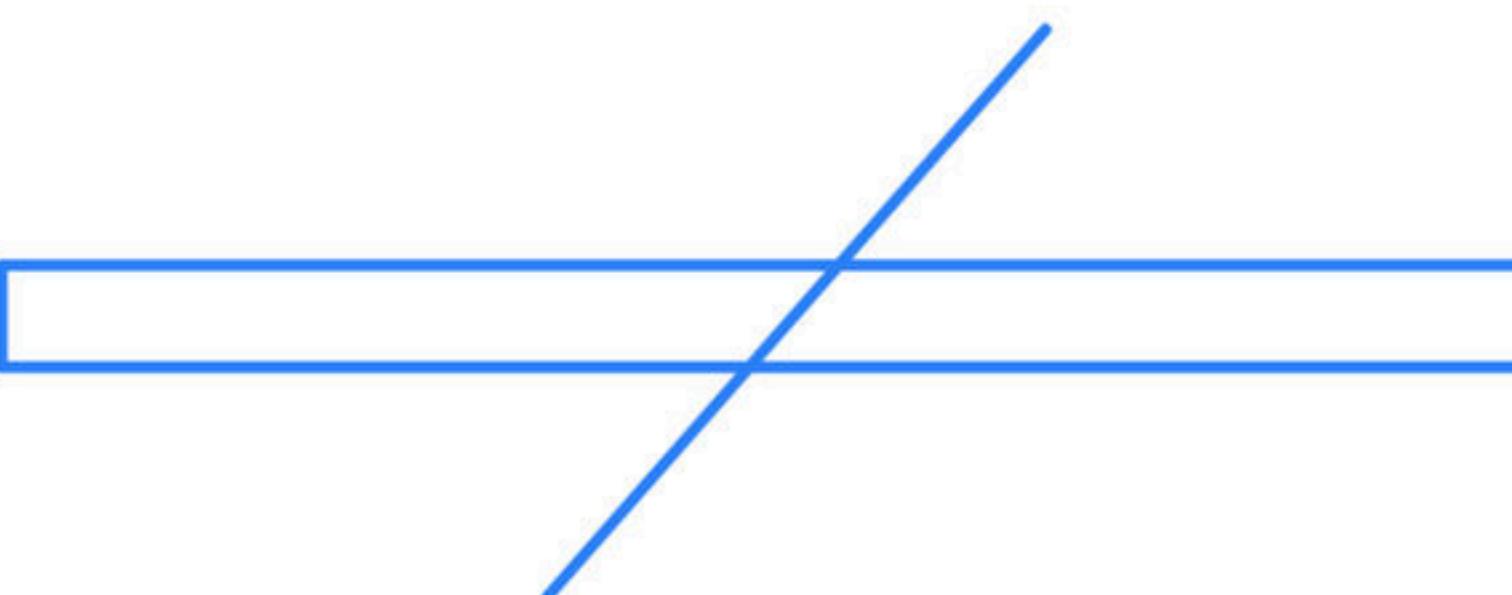
Amalgamate

A. Merge

B. Split

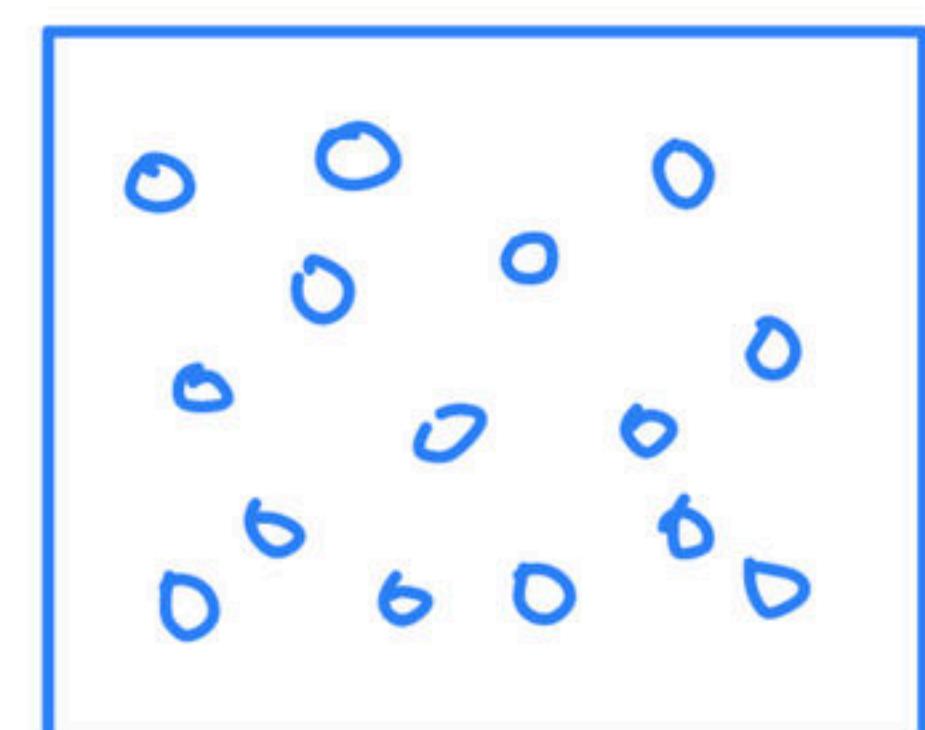
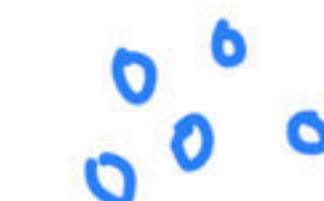
C. Collect

D. Separate



splitting . if

Separate white
monkeys



Answer

- Option B)

Question 18

The question below consists of a pair of related words followed by four pairs of words. Select the pair that best expresses the relation in the original pair:

Performer: Place.

Gladiator: Arena

- A. Dancer:Stage
- B. Commuter: Train
- C. Teacher:Classroom
- D. Lawyer:Courtroom

Answer

- Option A)

Question 19

Choose the most appropriate word from the options given below to complete the following sentence:

It was ~~have~~^{of the} view that the country's problems had been by foreign technocrats, so that to invite them to come back would be counter-productive.

- A. Identified ✓
- B. Ascertained ✓
- C. Exacerbated more than required
- D. Analyzed ✓

Answer

- Option C)

Question 20

Choose the most appropriate word from the options given below to complete the following sentence:

Under ethical guidelines recently adopted by the Indian Medical Association, human genes are to be manipulated only to correct diseases for which----- treatments are unsatisfactory.

A. Similar

B. Most

C. Uncommon

D. Available

Experimenting

↓ official answer key.

General English

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Question 1

Select the word that fits the analogy:

White: Whitening :: Light: _____

lighting

- A. Lighting
- B. Lightening = *lighten*
- C. Lightning = *thunder*
- D. Enlightening = *Buddha*.

Answer

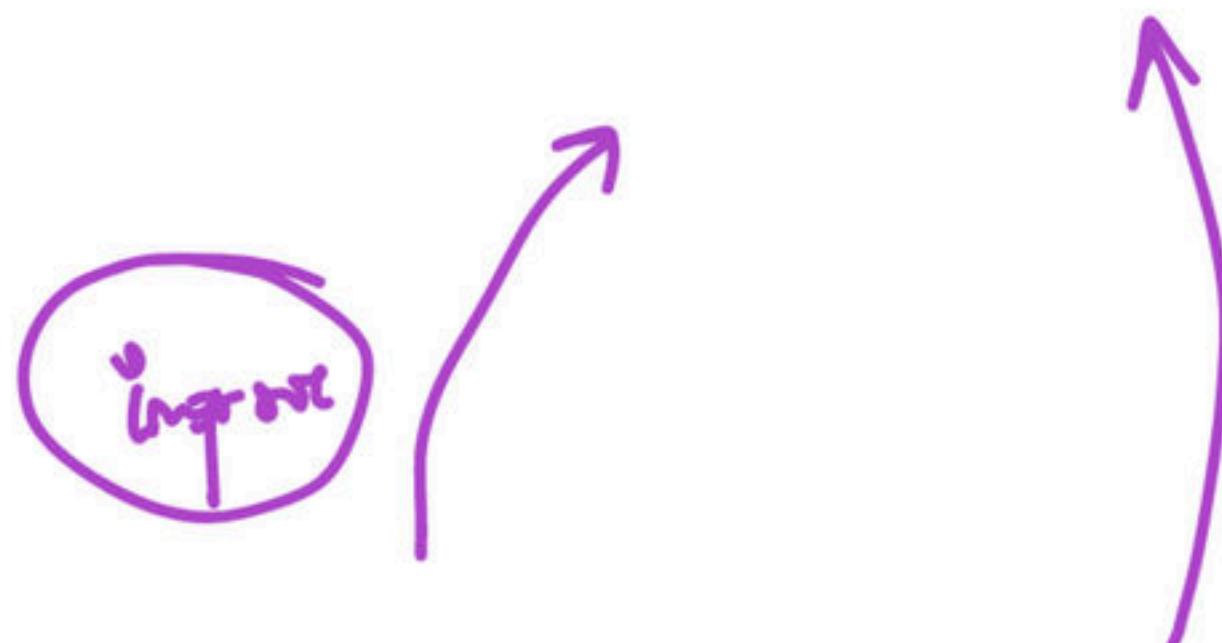
- Option A)

Question 2

The recent measures to improve the output would ____ the level of production to our satisfaction.



- A. equalise
- B. increase
- C. decrease
- D. speed



Answer

Option B)

Question 3

- While I agree to his proposal this time, I do not often agree with him.
- A. to, with
- B. to, to
- C. with, with
- D. with, to
-
- The diagram illustrates the parts of speech in the sentence. The word 'his' is highlighted with a pink box and labeled 'Subject'. The word 'proposal' is highlighted with a pink box and labeled 'Object'. The word 'deal' is written above the sentence with an arrow pointing to the word 'proposal'. The preposition 'with' is highlighted with a green box and labeled 'Preposition'.

Answer

Option A)

Agree to is nodding for a request.

Agree with is when two or more people have same opinion

Question 4

In one of the greatest innings ever seen in 142 years of Test history, Ben Stokes upped the tempo in a five-and-a-half hour long stay of 219 balls including 11 fours and 8 sixes that saw him finish on a 135 not out as England squared the five-match series.

scores are settled

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Based on their connotations in the given passage, which one of the following meanings DOES NOT match?

A. tempo = enthusiasm

B. squared = lost [equal]

C. saw = resulted in

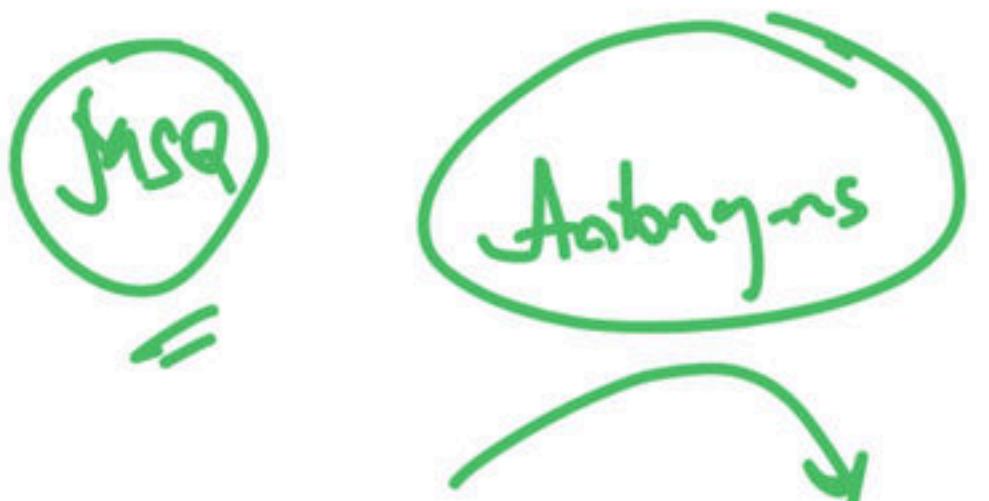
D. upped = increased

Answer

Option B)

Squared = Levelled or Equal

Question 5



Implicit: Explicit :: Express : ?

Suggest Does not Suggest
✗ Compress Suggest

✓ B. Suppress - B

✗ C. Impress

✓ D. Repress

Answer

- Option B)

Co-relative Conjunctions

Question 6

He was **not only** accused of theft _____ of conspiracy.

but also

- A. Rather than
- B. Rather
- C. But also
- D. But even

Answer

- Option C)

Question 7

The untimely loss of life is a course of serious global concern as thousands of people get killed in accidents every year while many other die of disease like cardiovascular disease cancer etc.

A. during, from

B. in, of

C. ~~at, from~~

D. None of these

Answer

- Option B)

Question 8

- Raman is confident of speaking English within six months. He has been practicing regularly for the last three weeks.

✓ A. For, since

✗ B. During, for

C. Within, for

✗ D. For, in

for = duration = for that time

During = in that time

Within = under that time.

Answer

- Option C)
- Within - The work is already finished
- For - The preposition for is used for a period of time where both the end duration and start duration is mentioned.

Question 9

af

Select the word that fits the analogy:

Walk : Occupied

Cook: Cook :: Fly : ?

flyer

A. Flightier

B. Flew

C. Flyer

D. Flying

Cook: Cooked :: Fly: Flew

Cook: Cooking :: Fly: Flying

Answer

Option C)

Work : Occupation

Question 10

His knowledge of the subject was excellent but his class room performance was
extremely poor

↑
Contrasting.

- A. Extremely Poor
- B. Praise Worthy
- C. Desirable
- D. Good

Answer

- Option A)
- Statements are contradictory.

Question 11

Coup =

Stock markets _____ at the news of the coup.

A. Poised \Rightarrow calm, static

B. Plunged \Rightarrow sudden fall, loss.

X C. Plugged \Rightarrow Connected

X D. Probed \rightarrow CID.

Sudden collapse of the govt.

Answer

- Option B)

Poised - Being composed

Plunged - Push or Thrust quickly, a fall

Plugged - Connected

Probed - Investigation, exploring something

Question 12

This book, including all its chapters, is interesting. The students as well as instructor are in agreement with it.

- A. were, was
- B. is, are
- C. are, are
- D. is, was

As well as
with

former word = Singular = Single Verb
plural = Plural Verb.

Singular

Plural

Answer

- Option B)

Singular thing (This book) - singular verb (is).

Students as well as instructor (plural) - plural verb (are)

Question 13

March 1st = Maths

People were prohibited from parking there vehicles near the entrance of the main administrative building.

- A. Parking
- B. To park
- C. To have parked
- D. From parking

Answer

- Option D)
- Past Continuous Tense

Question 14

tm

Select the word Do : Undo :: Trust : ?

Anto

A. Intrust

B. Distrust

C. Entrust

D. Untrust

Distrust

Untrust

Answer

- Option B)
- Antonyms (Opposite Words)

Question 15

It is a common criticism that most of the academicians live in their ivory towers, so they are not aware of the real life challenge.

- A. Glass palaces → transparent.
- ✓ B. Ivory towers ⇒ not transparent.
- C. Big flats
- D. Homes

Answer

- Option A)
- A state of privileged seclusion or separation from the facts and practicalities of the real world.

Question 16

never be completed

His hunger for reading is **insatiable**. He reads indiscriminately. He is most certainly a/an _____ reader.

A. Voracious

= Voracious

B. Wise

C. All-round

D. Precocious

Precocious

growth of one's early age

matured growth

Answer

- Option A)
- Engaging in an activity with great eagerness or enthusiasm. Hunger for knowledge.

Question 17

Select the word that fits the analogy:

Fuse: Fusion :: Use: ?

Usage

A. Usage

B. Union

C. Uses

D. User

Fuse: Fusion .

Use : Usage .

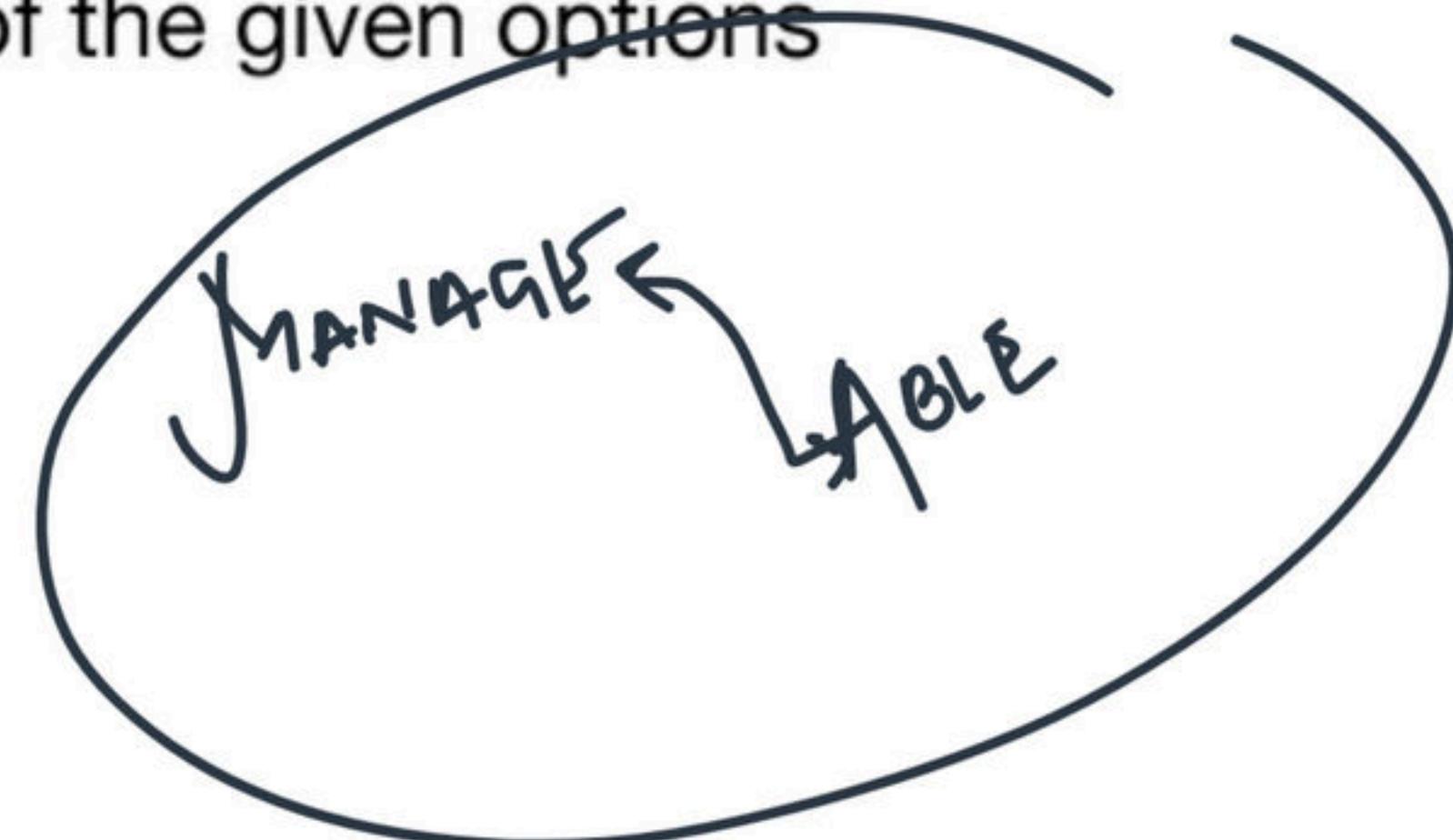
Answer

- Option A)

Question 18

Identify the correct spelling out of the given options

- A. Managable
- B. Manageable
- C. Mangaeble
- D. Managible



Answer

- Option B)

Question 19

Positive high
Compar higher
Super highest

Which of the following is CORRECT with respect to grammar and usage?

Mount Everest is _____.

- A. The highest peak in the world
- B. Highest peak in the world
- C. One of highest peak in the world
- D. One of the highest peak in the world

Answer

- Option A)

Question 20

lost

The policeman asked the victim of a theft, "What did you _____?"

- A. Loose = Tight
- B. Lose = Found
- C. Loss = Hair
- D. Louse = Insect

Answer

- Option B)



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- Option C)



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