

MBA Fastrack 2025

Verbal Ability & Reading Comprehension

DPP: 1

Introduction to Verbal Ability; Best Summary of the Paragraph Question

Q1 Read the following passage and answer the question that follows

One of the main charities helping scientists to leave countries experiencing conflict has seen a spike in inquiries. Last week, the Council for At-Risk Academics (CARA), which is based in London, said it had received 40 requests from people intent on leaving Afghanistan. It was 98 in the previous week. This is a record for the organization — its highest previous peak was 20 a week in 2016, during the Syria crisis, says CARA's executive director Stephen Wordsworth. Three months after the Taliban takeover of Afghanistan, the country's educational and research institutions remain closed. The Red Cross says that salaries at government-run hospitals have gone unpaid for months because of economic woes exacerbated by sanctions. Afghanistan's economy is expected to shrink by nearly one-third this year, according to projections from the International Monetary Fund. And the United Nations World Food Programme says that almost 23 million people, out of a population of 40 million, face hunger. Which of the following best summarizes the passage?

- (A) CARA has seen a record number of requests for help from scientists in Afghanistan, highlighting the worsening impact of the Taliban takeover on education, research, and the economy.
- (B) The Taliban's takeover of Afghanistan has resulted in economic hardships, unpaid salaries, and widespread hunger
- (C) Afghanistan's educational and research sectors are in crisis, with institutions closed

and scientists seeking help to leave the country

- (D) CARA has received record inquiries from Afghanistan due to the Taliban takeover, with the Red Cross and IMF reporting worsening economic conditions and hunger in the country.

Q2 Read the following passage and answer the question that follows

The momentous and much-anticipated 26th United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26), intended to run for two weeks, ended on 13 November, 24 hours later than scheduled. There were some notable achievements. More countries announced pledges to go carbon neutral — including, for the first time, India, by 2070. Richer nations committed to doubling funding, known as adaptation finance, to help low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) deal with damaging climatic effects. Rules for carbon trading were agreed upon. And world leaders will report their progress on emissions cuts every year. But a study for the Climate Action Tracker website, by Niklas Höhne at Wageningen University in the Netherlands and his colleagues, showed that, if pledges announced at the COP meeting are implemented, temperatures are still projected to rise 2.4°C by 2100, well above the 1.5°C target agreed at the 2015 Paris climate summit. The effects of this are likely to be catastrophic.

Which of the following best summarizes the passage?

- (A) The COP26 summit concluded with a focus on adaptation finance and annual progress



reporting, while studies show pledges could limit temperature rises to below 1.5°C.

- (B) The COP26 meeting highlighted the importance of adaptation finance for low- and middle-income countries while failing to address key issues such as carbon neutrality and emissions targets.
- (C) Despite notable achievements such as India's pledge for carbon neutrality by 2070 and agreements on carbon trading, COP26 was largely unsuccessful in preventing catastrophic climate effects.
- (D) COP26 ended later than planned but achieved notable milestones; however, current pledges are insufficient to meet the 1.5°C target, posing catastrophic risks.

Q3 The paragraph given below is followed by four alternate summaries. Choose the option that best captures the essence of the paragraph.

Federalism is once again the focus of political discourse in India. The Chief Minister of Karnataka set the cat among the pigeons when he highlighted Kannada pride by unveiling an official state flag last month. Then in a Facebook post, he advocated the need for States to have both financial and cultural autonomy. Since quitting the NDA, the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh has also been vocal in criticizing the Central government for taxing the southern States to spend on the northern States. The DMK working president wrote to the Prime Minister and the Chief Ministers of 10 non-BJP -ruled states expressing concern over the terms of reference for the 15th Finance Commission. The Centre's direction to use the 2011 Census instead of the 1971 Census for population data has riled the south. As the population in these States has stabilized the concern is that their share of tax allocation would reduce.

- (A) The Chief Minister of Karnataka stirred up a hornets' nest by unveiling an official state flag, and soon two other Chief Ministers of

southern States started demanding more autonomy for their states.

- (B) A constitutional claim for autonomy, a demand for fairer distribution of taxes and an assertion of cultural rights are the concerns of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu in their recent arguments on federalism.
- (C) The unveiling of a state flag by the Chief Minister of Karnataka has inspired other chief ministers to challenge Indian federalism.
- (D) Chief Ministers of three southern states have started a campaign to go against the grain of Indian federalism.

Q4 Economic policies driven by environmental concerns are becoming increasingly common as governments strive to balance growth with sustainability. However, the transition to green energy and sustainable practices often encounters resistance from industries reliant on traditional methods. These industries argue that the shift could lead to job losses and economic instability. Proponents of green policies counter that the long-term benefits, including reduced environmental damage and the creation of new industries, outweigh the short-term challenges. The debate underscores the complex relationship between economic growth and environmental stewardship.

Which of the following best captures the essence of the passage?

- (A) The push for green policies faces resistance from traditional industries, which fear economic instability, despite the potential long-term benefits.
- (B) The transition to sustainable practices is controversial, with traditional industries concerned about economic impacts, while proponents highlight environmental and economic benefits.
- (C) Governments are increasingly adopting environmentally-driven economic policies, but the tension between long-term benefits



and short-term disruptions remains a contentious issue.

- (D) The adoption of green policies, though beneficial in the long term, is challenged by traditional industries due to concerns over economic stability and job security.

Q5 Four alternative summaries are given below the text. Choose the option that best captures the essence of the text.

Starving is not the best way to lose body fat and you have to 'eat right' in order to transform your body. You'll hear people asking you to give up those in-between snacks. We don't know exactly where that idea of 'three meals a day is best' comes from, but it wasn't the way our ancestors ate. If you look at how humans evolved, you'll see that our long-lost relatives were 'frequent feeders', not bingers. In fact, it's revealing to take a look at the animal kingdom and notice the relationship between the way animals consume their meals and their body 'type' and 'shape'. At one end of the spectrum are animals such as bears, which store vast amounts of fat in wide, round bodies, for hibernation periods when they may go for weeks without food. These animals are 'bingers' and carry lots of body fat. At the other end of the spectrum are the 'frequent feeders'. The lean, mean, munching machines – horses, elk, deer – spend all day nibbling on small bits of vegetation – little portions, all day. They have whippet-lean limbs and taut, muscular bodies.

- (A) The relationship between eating habits and body structure of animals can be explained by the fact that those eating large amounts infrequently have huge fat bodies whereas those eating less but regularly have lean bodies showing that starving may not help one lose body fat.
- (B) Animals are of different types: hedgehogs and foxes. Those that go without eating for months would have stored food in their huge

fat bodies and those that eat at regular intervals have lean bodies with low body fat.

- (C) Animals are of two types: Bingers like bears, loading up on large amounts of food at one meal to go for long periods without eating, have huge body fat storage compartments, and frequent feeders like horses which eat constantly but in far lesser amounts and have very low body fat but lots of lean muscle.
- (D) Animals are of different types; primarily bingers and grazers. It is good to be a grazer as it helps one lose body fat. Studies show that eating often accelerates the metabolism, hence one burns more calories.

Q6 Read the following passage and answer the question that follows:

One of the advantages of having vending machines in schools is that food items can be easily made available to children. If stocked with healthy food items, these machines can be of great use to kids. However, there also are disadvantages to consuming foods sold through these machines. Therefore, it becomes important to study the pros and cons of vending machines in schools. Today, vending machines are a common sight in multiplexes, malls, schools, etc. The fact that vending machines can help earn money and schools are the perfect market for them, many companies try to benefit from this market. Installing vending machines in schools is one of the best ways to reach out to customers. Therefore, school authorities try to benefit from the vending machine business.

Which of the following best summarizes the passage?

- (A) Vending machines in schools provide easy access to food items, but their use requires a careful evaluation of their benefits and drawbacks with companies viewing schools as lucrative markets.
- (B) Vending machines are a profitable business venture for schools and companies, making



them a common sight in educational institutions and public spaces.

- (C) The primary concern with vending machines in schools is the unhealthy food they provide, although they are a convenient option for children.
- (D) Vending machines are prevalent in schools, malls, and multiplexes due to their convenience and profitability, with schools being the primary market for these machines.

Q7 Read the following passage and answer the question that follows:

Natural gas is one of the most available fossil fuels. It has not been used as extensively as other fuels like gasoline and diesel. Factors like less viability, cost, and efficiency are the reasons for its secondary usage. Natural gas must be compressed before it can be used as a fuel. Hence the acronym, 'CNG'. The effects of air pollution are of great concern. If the level is not controlled now, we may never be able to revert the environmental damage that is being caused. Natural gas cars are far less polluting compared to vehicles that run on other fossil fuels. However, the design of CNG cars does not allow engineers to have a small storage tank, and a large one is not very conducive. Car safety is also a concern regarding gas storage. These vehicles are not famous for their high speeds. The horsepower of similarly calibrated engines for gasoline and natural gas is not at all comparable. Less horsepower basically results in a slower performance of such cars.

Which of the following best summarizes the passage?

- (A) There are advantages and disadvantages of using cars that run or operate on natural gas or CNG.
- (B) Rising levels of air pollution are the biggest reason why people prefer CNG cars.
- (C) CNG has many benefits such as being a cleaner fuel source for cars, however, it has several drawbacks as well

- (D) Natural Gas cars are better than cars that run on fossil fuels

Q8 At least one answer has been considered by people who think about artificial superintelligence. Maybe we won't do it – maybe a super-AI will do it for some arcane instrumental reason that doesn't pay off for billions of years (aggressive resource-acquisition benefits almost any sufficiently long-term goal). I don't find this answer too satisfying. It's basically saying that humans will launch VNPs (Automated spacecraft that can locate worlds on which to land, build infrastructure, and eventually make copies of themselves) indirectly, by failing to put any limits on an AI's behavior. Yes, it could happen, but it doesn't seem too likely. No doubt the superintelligence control problem is a serious challenge. But writing instructions that constrain an AI to a small region of spacetime should not be the slippery sort of problem that is infinitely easy to get wrong (unlike instructions to 'make everyone happy').

Which of the following most accurately reflects the primary argument presented in the passage?

- (A) The concern that a superintelligent AI might launch probes for long-term goals highlights the challenge of controlling AI, but constraining an AI to a specific area is less difficult compared to other control issues.
- (B) The main issue with managing a superintelligent AI is not just about limiting its actions but also about ensuring it does not pursue overly ambitious goals that could have long-term impacts.
- (C) While it's possible for a superintelligent AI to use probes due to its distant goals, the real challenge lies in preventing the AI from acting on these far-off objectives.
- (D) The passage suggests that stopping a superintelligent AI from using probes is difficult but manageable, as controlling its



actions in terms of spatial limits is simpler than other AI safety issues.

Q9 The passage given below is followed by four alternate summaries. Choose the option that best captures the essence of the passage.

The psychology of colour constitutes a multidisciplinary domain delving into the subtleties of how chromatic stimuli exert an influence on human emotion, conduct, and decision-making. It represents a complex and captivating realm of inquiry, boasting a broad spectrum of applications within fields such as marketing, design, and psychology. One of the most firmly established discoveries within the psychology of colour centres on the fact that distinct hues are linked to varying emotional responses. To illustrate, the hue red is frequently associated with sentiments of ire, exhilaration, and fervour, while the hue blue is more often connected with feelings of melancholy, serenity, and tranquillity. These connections wield a potent impact on how we respond to and perceive various circumstances. Enterprises have harnessed these revelations to manipulate consumer conduct.

- (A) The emotional reactions elicited by distinct hues are perceived as capricious and don't lack a substantial influence on human behaviour, rendering the discipline consequential in the realms of marketing and design.
- (B) The discipline of colour psychology delves into the nuanced ways in which diverse hues provoke multifaceted emotional responses, thereby exerting a significant impact on human behaviour and the process of decision-making.
- (C) Colour psychology has pragmatic utility in practical, real world contexts. The emotional reactions evoked by distinct hues are devoid of influence on human behaviour, rendering it consequential in the realms of marketing and design.

- (D) The chromatic manifestations of red and blue exist, bereft of inherent emotional connotations, thus relegating them to a state of relevance within the intricate framework of decision-making processes.

Q10 In his recent blogs, Castellani describes coronavirus as both a nexus issue and wicked problem, 'because the configuration of factors is far too challenging and intersects with too many different domains of our lives, to effectively solve once and for all'. What also strikes me as significant is that the virus has (somewhat inevitably) massively enhanced the influence of NHS policy across the nexus cutting across place (at different scales) and economic, political, social, institutional, and infrastructural systems. The key driver is to protect the NHS and save lives by preventing the spread of the virus beyond levels that hospitals can manage. Here we have an example of the limited spare capacity (or 'redundancy' in engineering terms) that is a feature of the political economy, in which the notion of economic efficiency as a private sector or market-based logic, has been extended to the public sphere. The fact that the NHS has been much more protected and better resourced than other parts of the public sector over the last 10 years of austerity is extremely telling and concerning from the point of view of knock-ons across the nexus.

Which of the following options correctly summarizes the main idea of the passage?

- (A) The passage discusses how the coronavirus pandemic has highlighted the wicked weaknesses in NHS policy, and also highlights how the concept of economic efficiency, borrowed from the private sector, struggled due to a lack of resources caused by economic austerity over the last decade.
- (B) The passage focuses on the impact of the corona virus and the austerity measures on the NHS and also highlights how the concept of economic efficiency, arguing that these



policies have left the healthcare system unable to cope with the demands of the coronavirus pandemic.

- (C) The passage examines how economic efficiency in the private sector has impacted when applied to the public sector, particularly in the case of the NHS, which has been strained by the coronavirus pandemic due to austerity-driven resource limitations.
- (D) The passage explores how the coronavirus pandemic has been a nexus issue and a wicked problem, significantly amplifying the influence of NHS policy across various domains of life. It also highlights how the concept of economic efficiency, borrowed from the private sector, has impacted the public sphere, including the NHS.

Q11 In contemporary ecological discussions, the term "Anthropocene epoch" has emerged as a poignant descriptor of our current geological era. This term underscores humanity's pervasive and often detrimental influence on global ecosystems. Activities ranging from altering atmospheric compositions due to industrialization to reshaping natural landscapes for urban development, and even driving numerous species to extinction, have been hallmarks of this epoch. Such profound transformations necessitate a critical reevaluation of our ecological ethos and highlight the urgency of fostering a more harmonious relationship with our planetary abode. Which of the following best summarizes the passage?

- (A) The Anthropocene epoch is characterized by humanity's significant and often harmful influence on global ecosystems and it necessitates reconsideration of our ethos.
- (B) The defining trait of the Anthropocene epoch is the harmonious relationship between humanity and the environment.
- (C)

The profound transformations in the Anthropocene epoch call for a reassessment of our relationship with the environment.

(D) Human activities during the Anthropocene epoch have been largely beneficial for global ecosystems.

Q12 The passage given below is followed by four alternate summaries. Choose the option that best captures the essence of the passage.

In the context of climate change, the phenomenon of permafrost thawing is increasingly concerning. Permafrost, frozen ground that has persisted for millennia, stores vast amounts of organic matter and greenhouse gases. As temperatures rise, this permafrost begins to thaw, releasing stored carbon dioxide and methane into the atmosphere. This release amplifies the greenhouse effect, further warming the planet. It's a concerning feedback loop. Additionally, permafrost thaw can lead to land subsidence, affecting infrastructure and ecosystems. Addressing permafrost thaw is a critical aspect of mitigating climate change and its cascading effects.

- (A) Permafrost thawing contributes to climate change by releasing stored greenhouse gases.
- (B) Climate change is causing permafrost to thaw, which is releasing greenhouse gases and exacerbating the greenhouse effect.
- (C) The release of greenhouse gases due to permafrost thaw is not a significant contributor to climate change.
- (D) Permafrost thaw primarily affects ecosystems and infrastructure, with minimal impact on the climate.

Q13 The passage given below is followed by four alternate summaries. Choose the option that best captures the essence of the passage.

The theory of quantum mechanics, which



emerged in the early 20th century, represents a paradigm shift in our comprehension of the fundamental nature of the universe. Unlike classical physics, which offers deterministic explanations for the behavior of particles and objects, quantum mechanics introduces a level of inherent uncertainty. This profound transformation in our understanding of reality can be exemplified by the famous thought experiment known as Schrödinger's cat. According to this scenario, a cat inside a sealed box is simultaneously considered both alive and dead until an observer opens the box. This peculiar state of simultaneous existence illustrates the concept of superposition, a central tenet of quantum mechanics. Not just a theoretical construct, it has proven to be remarkably accurate in predicting the behavior of subatomic particles. This predictive power, often accompanied by complex mathematical formalisms, has led to the development of technologies like lasers, transistors, and MRI machines, all of which rely on the principles of quantum mechanics.

- (A) Quantum mechanics, emerging in the early 20th century, introduces inherent uncertainty. Despite challenging classical physics, it has practical applications in technology.
- (B) Quantum mechanics, a revolutionary theory of the 20th century, introduces inherent uncertainty and superposition, exemplified by Schrödinger's cat. It challenges classical physics but has practical applications in technology.
- (C) The emergence of quantum mechanics in the early 20th century represents a paradigm shift, introducing inherent uncertainty and superposition through Schrödinger's cat.
- (D) Quantum mechanics, introduces inherent uncertainty and superposition, illustrated by Schrödinger's cat. It has practical applications and challenges classical physics.

Q14

When in 2022 Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva narrowly defeated Jair Bolsonaro in Brazil's presidential election, democrats everywhere were relieved. Mr Bolsonaro, a hard-right populist, had spread intolerance and guns and encouraged the despoliation of the Amazon rainforest. His threat to democracy was summed up by his failed attempt to persuade the armed forces to overturn his election defeat. Whatever his faults, Lula is a Democrat. And he has moved quickly to curb deforestation, which is in both Brazil's and the world's interest. But in other respects, Lula's third stint as president has disappointed. In the first, from 2003 to 2007, he stabilized the economy with orthodox policies and pushed through economic reforms and social programs that boosted growth, cut poverty, and secured his re-election. Aided by a commodity boom, his second term saw a public-spending splurge. Some of the money went on corruptly padded contracts. The boom ended, but the splurge continued under his chosen successor, Dilma Rousseff, who added wasteful and ineffective industrial policies.

Which of the following options best summarizes the paragraph?

- (A) Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva won Brazil's 2022 election against Jair Bolsonaro, who had promoted environmental harm and instability. Lula has addressed deforestation but his presidency has continued old economic policies and public spending practices.
- (B) Lula narrowly defeated Bolsonaro in Brazil's 2022 election. Bolsonaro's right-wing regime was known for environmental damage and electoral challenges. While Lula is tackling deforestation, his current term has seen limited success compared to his past economic reforms.
- (C) In 2022, Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva narrowly defeated Jair Bolsonaro in Brazil's election. Bolsonaro, a right-wing populist, had worsened environmental and democratic issues. Lula has addressed deforestation but



his current term has been less effective, echoing issues from his second term and under his successor, Dilma Rousseff.

- (D) In 2022, Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva's narrow victory over Jair Bolsonaro relieved many. Bolsonaro's presidency was marked by corruption and environmental issues. Lula has worked on deforestation, but his current administration has struggled with economic and spending issues reminiscent of his previous term.

Q15 The passage given below is followed by four alternate summaries. Choose the option that best captures the essence of the passage.

In the aftermath of the 2008 financial meltdown, policymakers globally grappled with the intricate dynamics of shadow banking — a labyrinthine system of non-bank financial intermediaries that operate outside traditional regulatory oversight. These entities, while fostering financial deepening and aiding capital allocation, also amplify systemic risks, given their opaque operations and intricate web of counterparty exposures. The explosion of complex, off-balance-sheet instruments, such as collateralized debt obligations (CDOs), exacerbated financial fragility. Post-crisis, while central banks deployed unconventional monetary tools, the regulatory focus sharply pivoted to curbing the unrestrained proliferation of these shadow entities, aiming to instill greater transparency and resilience in the broader financial ecosystem.

- (A) The 2008 financial crisis exposed the risks of shadow banking and led to increased regulatory scrutiny to enhance financial system transparency.
- (B) Shadow banking, characterized by unregulated entities and complex instruments like CDOs, intensified systemic risks in the 2008 financial crisis.
- (C) Post-2008, policymakers aimed to regulate the shadow banking system that, despite its

benefits, magnified financial vulnerabilities.

- (D) The financial meltdown of 2008 spotlighted shadow banking's opaque nature, prompting a regulatory shift towards a more transparent financial framework.

Q16 In the intricate world of international business, legal disputes often arise, reflecting the challenges of navigating different legal systems and corporate cultures. One such intricate case involves Metorex, a prominent multinational corporation, and Chin Wah, a dominant supplier based in Southeast Asia. At the heart of their dispute lies a breach of supply chain agreements. Metorex alleges that Chin Wah did not adhere to certain stipulated regulations. In a counter-move, Chin Wah has thrown accusations back at Metorex, claiming unauthorized use of their proprietary technologies. Adding to the complexity are emerging allegations from third-party sources suggesting corporate espionage. Such cases highlight the multifaceted challenges businesses face in a globalized world. Which of the following summarizes the passage's main point?

- (A) The legal complexities between Metorex and Chin Wah primarily arise from cultural differences, with minor concerns about intellectual property rights and breaches in supply chain agreements.
- (B) In the dispute between Metorex and Chin Wah, Chin Wah alleges Metorex of breaching supply chain agreements, while Metorex accuses Chin Wah of corporate espionage activities.
- (C) The legal confrontation between Metorex and Chin Wah encompasses breaches in supply chain agreements, allegations of unauthorized technology use, and third-party suggestions of corporate espionage, exemplifying the multifarious challenges in international business.
- (D) The dispute between Metorex and Chin Wah is straightforward, focused solely on



differences in corporate cultures without any significant legal allegations.

- Q17** The passage given below is followed by four alternate summaries. Choose the option that best captures the essence of the passage.

In recent years, the world of genetic engineering has witnessed groundbreaking advancements, with CRISPR technology standing at the forefront. This novel tool promises precision in DNA editing, potentially revolutionizing treatments for a myriad of genetic disorders. While the medical possibilities seem boundless, the ethical implications of CRISPR are equally vast. There's growing concern in the scientific community about the potential misuse of CRISPR, especially in the realm of designing babies with specific traits or enhancing human capabilities to unnatural levels. As research progresses, scientists and ethicists grapple with the challenge of setting responsible boundaries.

- (A) CRISPR technology in genetic engineering is a revolutionary advancement that offers paltry precision in DNA editing, with the scientific community mostly supporting its unrestricted use
- (B) The promise of CRISPR is in designing babies with specific traits, but there are significant ethical dilemmas associated with its potential applications.
- (C) CRISPR stands as a revolutionary tool offering precise DNA editing that could transform treatments for genetic disorders; however, some of its potential uses have stirred substantial ethical debates.
- (D) CRISPR technology, with the potential to revolutionize the cures for genetic disorders, has stirred up a lot of ethical dilemmas for its ability to meddle with the human genome.

- Q18** Consider medical triage – a field in which automation and algorithms already play a considerable part. Triage means taking decisions

that balance risk and benefit amid a steady human trickle of accidents. Given that time and resources are always limited, a patient on the cusp of death may take priority over one merely in agony. Similarly, if only two out of three dying patients can be dealt with instantly, those most likely to be saved by rapid intervention may be prioritised; while someone insisting that their religious beliefs mean their child's life cannot be saved may be overruled.

Which of the following most accurately summarizes the main idea of the passage?

- (A) Medical triage, supported by automation, requires balancing limited time and resources, often prioritizing patients based on their likelihood of survival, even if it means overruling religious or ethical objections.
- (B) In medical triage, the role of automation has become crucial in making swift decisions about patient care, focusing primarily on maximizing survival rates while accounting for limited resources.
- (C) Triage involves making difficult, ethical decisions about who should receive care first, with a focus on those who are most likely to survive. Automation plays a role in assisting these decisions, although human judgment is still critical.
- (D) Automation in medical triage helps optimize decisions by balancing risk and benefit, prioritizing patients most likely to survive, but it does not address the ethical complexities surrounding cases where religious beliefs might conflict with medical judgment.

- Q19** At 22:16 Eastern Standard Time on the infamous date, the silence of the water hole broke for 72 long seconds. The signal detected by the radio telescope peaked at 30 times the level of the static radio noise always present. One person in particular was thrilled. Jerry Ehman, a local physicist who volunteered at Big Ear out of interest and enthusiasm, discovered the



sequence of letters and numbers output by the computer – 6EQUJ5, a code that indicated their strength and changing intensity over time. The starting number of the series, 6, shows us that something stronger than the regular noise arrived at our radio telescope. We might think that it is just some error, but by translating the language of early radio telescopes, we already know that the series of letters E, Q and U indicates that the signal got stronger and stronger. Succeeding this uniquely strong peak, the signal then fades away into the well-accustomed monotony of radio static, shown by J and 5, the closing members of the presumptive 'code'. Ehman immediately understood its implication, and in those excited, elevated moments, he quickly scribbled a side note on the paper and unintentionally named this strong, unique and not-yet-repeated mysterious radio signal 'Wow!' Could the signal that broke the monotony of the water hole's radio static have originated from intelligent beings on another world?

Which of the following best summarizes the main idea of the passage?

- (A) Jerry Ehman's discovery of the 'Wow!' signal, a strong and mysterious radio wave, indicated a possible error in the radio telescope but was later hypothesized to be a signal from intelligent beings on another planet.
- (B) The discovery of the 'Wow!' signal by Jerry Ehman, a volunteer physicist at Big Ear, highlights a unique and strong radio signal that remains unexplained, raising the possibility of its origin from intelligent extraterrestrial beings.
- (C) The 'Wow!' signal, detected by Jerry Ehman, represents a significant anomaly in radio telescope data, characterized by a sequence of letters and numbers that suggest an unknown and possibly extraterrestrial origin.
- (D) The 'Wow!' signal detected at the Big Ear radio telescope, noted by Jerry Ehman, was a brief and mysterious anomaly in radio static,

potentially originating from an unknown source but possibly explained by technical errors.

- Q20** Since the geometry is simplest at the largest scale (owing to a Universe that is basically the same in every direction), the easiest part of the story is the extremely long-term behaviour. If you launch today, the rate at which galaxies are consumed by life steadily increases (as the sphere of influence continues to grow) until about 19 billion years from now, when the Universe is a little over twice its current age. After that, galaxies are overtaken more and more slowly. And at some point in the very distant future, the process ends. No matter how fast or how long it continues to expand, our sphere will never overtake another galaxy. If the probes can move truly fast – close to the speed of light – that last galaxy is about 16 billion light-years away, as of today (it will be much further away, by the time we reach it). Our telescopes can see galaxies further still, but they're not for us. A 'causal horizon' sets the limit of our ambition. In the end, the Universe itself will push galaxies apart faster than any VNP can move, and the ravenous spread of life will stop.

Which of the following most precisely encapsulates the implications discussed in the passage?

- (A) The Universe's eventual expansion beyond the speed of any probe limits the potential for life to spread, although galaxies within a certain distance may still be overtaken before this limit is reached.
- (B) The consistent increase in the speed at which galaxies are consumed by life suggests that technological advancements could allow for continuous expansion, even as the Universe itself expands.
- (C) Although initial rates of galactic conquest are rapid, the ultimate expansion of the Universe will create a boundary beyond which no



further galaxies can be overtaken, effectively halting the spread of life.

- (D) The Universe's predictable geometry implies that while galaxies may be overtaken at an increasing rate initially, the acceleration of the expansion of the universe will render further conquest impossible with a 'causal horizon' limiting us.

Q21 The origins of Karate, a martial art with a rich history, can be traced back to the Ryukyu Kingdom, which is now known as Okinawa, Japan. While Karate shares some similarities with other Asian martial arts, it developed its unique techniques and philosophy on the island of Okinawa over centuries. Historically, Okinawa, and as a result, Karate was influenced by both Chinese and Japanese cultures. The Ryukyu Kingdom maintained trade relationships with China, leading to the exchange of martial arts knowledge and techniques. This cross-cultural influence is evident in the Chinese characters used to write the word "Karate." Karate, which means "empty hand," emphasizes the use of one's body as a weapon. It incorporates striking, kicking, and blocking techniques, as well as a strong focus on discipline and self-control. Over time, it evolved from a form of self-defense to a martial art practiced for physical fitness, mental discipline, and self-improvement. The development of Karate as a formalized martial art can be attributed to various Okinawan masters, including Gichin Funakoshi, who introduced it to mainland Japan in the early 20th century. Today, Karate is practiced worldwide and has several distinct styles and schools, each with its unique approach and techniques. Which of the following options provides the most accurate summary of the origins and development of Karate as discussed in the passage?

- (A) The Ryukyu Kingdom, known as Okinawa today, was the birthplace of Karate, influenced by Chinese and Japanese cultures.

It was primarily used for physical fitness and self-improvement.

- (B) Karate originated in Okinawa, has Chinese and Japanese influences, emphasizes empty-hand techniques, self-defense, and subsequently evolved into a global martial art.
- (C) Gichin Funakoshi was instrumental in the development of Karate as a formal martial art, introducing it to mainland Japan in the early 20th century.
- (D) Karate's history is primarily rooted in Japan, where it was practiced for self-defense and combat purposes before spreading to Okinawa and other parts of Asia.

Q22 The passage given below is followed by four alternate summaries. Choose the option that best captures the essence of the passage. Confucianism, a philosophical and ethical system founded by Confucius in ancient China, has had a profound and enduring impact on Chinese culture and society. At its core, Confucianism emphasizes the cultivation of moral virtues, the importance of family and social harmony, and the ideal of the noble ruler. The concept of "ren," often translated as benevolence or humaneness, lies at the heart of Confucian thought. It stresses compassion, empathy, and the development of virtuous character. In Confucianism, filial piety, or the respect and obedience owed to one's parents and ancestors, is a fundamental virtue. It extends to the broader social order, where individuals are expected to show respect and deference to authority figures. The notion of "li," or ritual propriety, governs social interactions and emphasizes the importance of behaving in accordance with established norms and customs. Confucian principles have profoundly influenced Chinese education and governance. The idea of virtuous rulership, where leaders prioritize the well-being of their subjects, has been a guiding principle in Chinese political thought. Confucianism's emphasis on moral



cultivation and social harmony has left an indelible mark on Chinese culture, shaping everything from family relationships to government policies.

- (A) Confucianism places a strong emphasis on the individual's pursuit of success and personal ambition, valuing personal achievement above all else.
- (B) Compassion, filial piety, and the cultivation of moral virtues are the central pillars of Confucian ethics, extending to broader societal interactions.
- (C) Ren, a fundamental concept in Confucianism, highlights the importance of personal success and individual ambition, emphasizing personal achievement.
- (D) Confucianism promotes a rebellious spirit, encouraging individuals to defy established social norms and customs in the pursuit of personal freedom.

Q23 What are we to make of these twin movements, the scientific search for life on one hand, and the endlessly murky waters of UFO/UAP claims on the other? Looking at history shows that these two very different approaches to the question of extraterrestrial life are, in fact, linked, but not in a good way. For decades, scientists wanting to think seriously about life in the Universe faced what's been called the 'giggle factor', which was directly related to UFOs and their culture. More than once, the giggle factor came close to killing off the field known as SETI (the search for extraterrestrial intelligence). Now, with new discoveries and new technologies making astrobiology a mainstream frontier of astrophysics, understanding this history has become important for anyone trying to understand what comes next. But for me, as a researcher in the field of technosignatures (signs of advanced alien tech) – the new face of SETI – getting past the giggle factor poses an existential challenge.

Which of the following most accurately summarizes the main idea of the passage?

- (A) The giggle factor, rooted in the cultural perceptions of UFOs, has consistently undermined the credibility of astrobiology, making it difficult for researchers to gain serious recognition.
- (B) The giggle factor has primarily affected the public's perception of UFOs, rather than influencing the scientific community's approach to the search for extraterrestrial intelligence.
- (C) The giggle factor has been a major obstacle for SETI, nearly ending the field, and continues to be an existential challenge for researchers in the study of technosignatures.
- (D) Despite the giggle factor's historical impact on SETI, the development of new technologies in astrobiology has largely mitigated its influence on current scientific research.

Q24 In the realm of quantum mechanics, a discipline that has shaped much of 21st-century physics, the phenomenon of entanglement stands out as particularly enigmatic. This intricate concept posits that particles, once intertwined, maintain a connection that persists regardless of distance, with the state of one immediately influencing the state of the other. Einstein, with his prodigious intellect, famously critiqued this phenomenon as "spooky action at a distance," suggesting an inherent discomfort with such a non-local view of the universe. This perspective challenges the bedrock principles of classical physics and insinuates that beneath the observable universe, deeper layers of non-local interconnection might exist, rewriting our very understanding of space and time.

Which of the following is the most accurate summary of the paragraph?

- (A) Quantum entanglement challenges classical physics by presenting a non-local view of particle interactions.



- (B) The non-local interactions of particles, as seen in quantum entanglement, redefine conventional understandings of space-time.
- (C) Einstein's skepticism of "spooky action" underscores the revolutionary nature of quantum entanglement's non-local perspective.
- (D) Quantum mechanics, through the lens of entanglement, posits a deeper interconnectedness within the universe than what classical physics suggests.

Q25 Both quantum mechanics and general relativity rest on arcane mathematics. Yet these great theories seem at first glance to be incompatible, with one describing the subatomic realm as a domain of individual particles, or quanta, where there are sudden jumps, and the other ruling the grandest stage of all, the Universe, in terms of smooth distortions, undulations and warps of spacetime. Uniting them meant more than trying to reconcile languages as dissimilar as Morse Code and whalesong, however: while general relativity is deterministic, quantum mechanics is couched in terms of chance. Which of the following options best summarises the paragraph?

- (A) The paragraph explores the challenge of reconciling deterministic general relativity with the probabilistic nature of quantum mechanics, comparing their compatibility to translating Morse Code into whalesong.
- (B) Both the theories – quantum mechanics and general relativity – though based on complex mathematics, initially appear incompatible due to their descriptions of the probabilistic nature of the subatomic realm versus the determinism of the phenomena of the universe.
- (C) Despite their reliance on intricate mathematics, general relativity's determinism clashes with quantum mechanics' probabilistic framework, akin to reconciling Morse Code with whalesong.

- (D) While both theories rely on arcane mathematics, the paragraph discusses their apparent incompatibility: quantum mechanics deals with smooth space-time distortions, whereas general relativity focuses on particle jumps. Uniting them is like translating Morse code to Whalesong.

Q26 In the vast expanse of cognitive studies, the intricate ballet of the human psyche remains one of the last great frontiers yet to be fully charted. While there have been significant strides in neurology, cognitive psychology, and associated disciplines, the precise mechanisms that give rise to consciousness, emotion, and intricate cognitive processes remain largely enigmatic. This domain of mysteries not only challenges the very paradigms of neurological studies but also beckons deeper explorations into the realms of self-awareness, pushing the boundaries between the physiological brain and the intangible mind. Which of the following options provides an apt summation of the passage above?

- (A) Cognitive studies have achieved comprehensive understanding, especially in the realms of consciousness and emotion.
- (B) While advancements exist, the precise workings of consciousness and emotion in cognitive studies remain elusive.
- (C) The human psyche's understanding has been fully charted, with little left to explore.
- (D) Cognitive studies emphasize the clear distinction between physiological brain activities and the realm of emotions

Q27 The inherent interiority of things requires an endless process of approximation. For this reason, Fechner's preferred rhetorical strategy is analogy. Fechner addresses the objection – popular then as now – that plants cannot have a mind because they lack a nervous system. He contends that plants possess something analogous to animals' nervous systems, constituted by plant fibres and filaments. But he



also questions why plants could not have subjective sensations without nerves. Why grant the nervous system an exceptional status when it comes to the soul? Nature seeks diverse means to achieve similar ends. The violin, for example, requires strings to intone. We might imagine the strings as nerves. But one would then conclude that a flute or trombone makes no sound because it lacks strings. Animals might just be the 'string instruments of sensation, and the plants the wind instruments'.

Which of the following options best summarizes the paragraph?

- (A) Fechner argues that plants possess something analogous to animals' nervous systems, constituted by plant fibres and filaments, challenging the objection that plants lack a mind due to their nervous system absence.
- (B) Fechner questions why plants could not have subjective sensations without nerves, using analogy to argue against the exceptional status of nervous systems in defining the soul
- (C) The paragraph discusses Fechner's analogy between plant and animal sensory systems, proposing that plants have subjective sensations despite lacking nervous systems.
- (D) Fechner compares plants to wind instruments and animals to string instruments, suggesting that both may achieve similar ends of subjective sensations through different means.

Q28 The concept of mindfulness meditation has gained popularity in recent years as a means to reduce stress and improve mental well-being. Mindfulness involves being fully present in the moment, observing thoughts and sensations without judgment. Regular practice of mindfulness has been associated with reduced anxiety, improved focus, and better emotional regulation. It is often taught through guided meditation sessions, where participants are encouraged to pay attention to their breath and

bodily sensations. Incorporating mindfulness into daily life can lead to a greater sense of inner calm and resilience in the face of life's challenges. What does the passage try to say, in its complete essence, about mindfulness meditation?

- (A) Mindfulness meditation aims to plateau stress and revolutionize mental well-being.
- (B) Mindfulness meditation aims to bring its practitioner to their present by allowing them to become oblivious to their thoughts and as a result, improve their focus and reach and overall better well being.
- (C) Regular mindfulness practice is linked to improved focus and emotional regulation and as a result, a ubiquitous uplift in overall mental health.
- (D) Taught exclusively through unguided meditation sessions, mindfulness can bring about a revolutionary overhaul in the subject, if applied daily.

Q29 Edgar Allan Poe, often regarded as the master of macabre and Gothic literature, made profound contributions to the horror genre. His works, including "The Tell-Tale Heart" and "The Fall of the House of Usher," are renowned for their dark and unsettling themes. Poe's skillful use of suspense, psychological tension, and vivid descriptions of terror set him apart as a pioneer in the realm of horror fiction. One of Poe's notable contributions was his exploration of the human psyche's darker aspects. In "The Tell-Tale Heart," he delves into the mind of a murderer who is tormented by guilt and paranoia, creating a chilling narrative from the perspective of the perpetrator. This psychological depth added a new dimension to horror storytelling. Furthermore, Poe's creation of the unreliable narrator became a hallmark of the horror genre. His characters often grapple with madness, hallucinations, and obsessions, blurring the line between reality and delusion. This technique not only heightened the sense of horror but also influenced future writers, including H.P. Lovecraft



and Stephen King.

Which of the following options best summarizes Edgar Allan Poe's contributions to the horror genre as discussed in the passage?

- (A) Edgar Allan Poe pioneered the horror genre by writing stories like "The Tell-Tale Heart" and "The Fall of the House of Usher," which influenced future writers, including H.P. Lovecraft and Stephen King.
- (B) Edgar Allan Poe was a master of macabre and Gothic literature, known for his profound contributions to horror fiction, including the creation of suspense and psychological tension.
- (C) Edgar Allan Poe's works, such as "The Tell-Tale Heart" and "The Fall of the House of Usher," are known for their dark and unsettling themes, which explore the human psyche's darker aspects and employ new techniques like unreliable narrators, that influenced future writers.
- (D) Edgar Allan Poe's exploration of the human psyche's darker aspects in works like "The Tell-Tale Heart" and "The Fall of the House of Usher" contributed to the horror genre's development.

Q30 The passage given below is followed by four alternate summaries. Choose the option that best captures the essence of the passage.

Sigmund Freud, the founder of psychoanalysis, made enduring and transformative contributions to the field of modern psychology. His groundbreaking theories and concepts revolutionized the understanding of the human mind and behavior. One of Freud's most significant contributions was the development of the psychoanalytic theory of personality. He proposed that human behavior is deeply

influenced by unconscious thoughts, desires, and conflicts. This notion gave birth to the exploration of the unconscious mind in psychology and greatly expanded the understanding of human motivation. Additionally, Freud introduced the concept of defense mechanisms, such as repression and projection, which are mechanisms the mind employs to cope with anxiety and protect the individual from distressing thoughts. These concepts continue to be integral to modern psychological theory and practice. Freud's work in psychotherapy, particularly the "talking cure" or psychoanalysis, paved the way for modern therapeutic practices. His emphasis on the therapeutic relationship, the role of transference, and the importance of exploring childhood experiences laid the foundation for various therapeutic approaches used today.

- (A) Sigmund Freud's psychoanalytic theory of personality, exploration of the unconscious mind, and introduction of defense mechanisms transformed modern psychology, shaping concepts still used today in psychotherapy.
- (B) Sigmund Freud's work in psychotherapy, including the "talking cure" and emphasis on the therapeutic relationship, revolutionized modern psychology and led to the development of various therapeutic approaches.
- (C) Sigmund Freud, proposed that human behavior is influenced by unconscious thoughts and desires, creating a foundation for modern psychology.
- (D) Sigmund Freud's development of psychoanalytic theory and exploration of the unconscious mind contributed to modern psychology's understanding of human motivation and behavior.



Answer Key

Q1 (A)
Q2 (D)
Q3 (B)
Q4 (B)
Q5 (A)
Q6 (A)
Q7 (C)
Q8 (A)
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Q10 (D)
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Q1 Text Solution:

Correct Answer: A

Explanation:

- **Option A:** Correct. This option captures CARA's record inquiries, the challenges faced by Afghan scientists, and the broader context of economic and social hardships, making it the most comprehensive summary.
- **Option B:** Incorrect. While it touches on key issues, it places more emphasis on economic hardships and hunger, downplaying CARA's role and the specific focus on scientists.
- **Option C:** Incorrect. This focuses only on the educational and research crisis and scientists seeking help, omitting the economic and social context as well as the role of CARA in the situation.
- **Option D:** Incorrect. While it mentions CARA and worsening conditions, it fails to emphasize the impact on scientists and research institutions, making the summary incomplete.

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Q2 Text Solution:

Topic: Para-Summary

Correct Answer: D

Explanation:

Option A: Incorrect. This inaccurately states that pledges could limit temperature rises to below 1.5°C, contradicting the study cited in the passage, which projects a 2.4°C increase.

Option B: Incorrect. This misrepresents the focus of the meeting, emphasizing adaptation finance while downplaying other achievements like

carbon neutrality pledges and carbon trading agreements.

Option C: Incorrect. While it mentions the achievements, it exaggerates the shortcomings by stating that the meeting was "largely unsuccessful," which is not supported by the passage.

Option D: Correct. This option provides a balanced summary of the key achievements and the critical issue of pledges falling short of the 1.5°C target, accurately reflecting the main ideas of the passage.

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Q3 Text Solution:

Answer (B)

The following are the salient points of the passage:

- (1) Karnataka CM unveiled an official state flag, and in a Facebook post, he demanded financial and cultural autonomy.
- (2) Andhra Pradesh CM criticized the Central government for taxing the southern States to spend on the northern States
- (3) Tamil Nadu wrote letters demanding a fairer distribution of taxes to states.

These points relate to the demand for constitutional autonomy (separate flag), cultural rights, and fairer distribution of taxes. These points are stated in option B.

Choice (A): 'Stir up a hornets' nest' suggests causing an upheaval; this is not suggested in the passage

Choice (B): Correct based on the explanation given at the beginning



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Choice (C): Nothing in the passage points to the Karnataka CM's action inspiring other CMs, so option C is incorrect.

Choice (D): The features of Indian federalism are not discussed in the passage, so option (D) is inapt as a summary

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Q4 Text Solution:

B) The transition to sustainable practices is controversial, with traditional industries concerned about economic impacts, while proponents highlight environmental and economic benefits.

Detailed Explanation:

Option A:

- **Strengths:** This option mentions the push for green policies and resistance from traditional industries.
- **Weaknesses:** It emphasizes the need for balance but does not fully capture the controversy or the dual focus on both short-term economic concerns and long-term benefits, which are central to the passage.

Option B: (Correct Answer)

- **Strengths:** This option accurately reflects the passage's discussion on the controversy surrounding the transition to green practices. It captures both the economic concerns of traditional industries and the environmental and long-term economic benefits highlighted by proponents. This balance aligns well with the passage's content.
- **Why It's Correct:** The passage underscores the tension between the short-term economic disruptions feared by traditional industries and the long-term benefits of sustainable

practices. Option B encapsulates this dual perspective effectively.

Option C:

- **Strengths:** This option mentions the adoption of green policies and the tension between long-term benefits and short-term disruptions.
- **Weaknesses:** While it captures the idea of tension, it is less specific about the concerns of traditional industries and the specific benefits mentioned in the passage. It also doesn't clearly contrast the short-term challenges with long-term benefits.

Option D:

- **Strengths:** This option discusses the economic and social benefits of urbanization and its environmental challenges.
- **Weaknesses:** It focuses on economic and social benefits, which is less aligned with the passage's focus on the transition to green practices and the debate between short-term economic challenges and long-term environmental gains.

Conclusion:

Option B is the correct answer because it effectively summarizes the controversy over transitioning to sustainable practices, capturing both the concerns of traditional industries and the benefits highlighted by proponents. This option accurately reflects the dual nature of the debate presented in the passage.

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Option (A) is an apt summary as it covers the main points succinctly.



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Option (B) is incomplete. It also does not mention the names of the types of animals:

'bingers' and frequent feeders. It incorrectly mentions hedgehogs and foxes.

Option (C) is incorrect. 'At one end of the spectrum' and 'at the other end of the spectrum' does not imply that animals are of two types. The remaining part of the Option is also unnecessarily wordy.

Option (D) wrongly uses the term 'grazer instead of frequent feeders'. It also does not explain the terms 'bingers' and 'frequent feeders. It is incomplete as a summary.

The last sentence in Option (D) is out of scope.

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Q6 Text Solution:

Correct Answer: A

Explanation:

- **Option A:** Correct. This option captures both the advantages and disadvantages of vending machines, their presence in schools, and the perspective of companies benefiting from them.
- **Option B:** Incorrect. While profitability is mentioned, it does not address the pros and cons of vending machines or their impact on students, making this summary incomplete.
- **Option C:** Incorrect. This focuses only on the health aspect and neglects the broader discussion of profitability and business perspectives.
- **Option D:** Incorrect. Although it mentions the prevalence and profitability of vending machines, it omits the discussion about the pros and cons, making it an incomplete summary.

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Q7 Text Solution:

Correct Answer: Option C

"CNG has many benefits, such as being a cleaner fuel source for cars; however, it has several drawbacks as well."

This option is the most accurate because it captures both the advantages and disadvantages discussed in the passage. The passage highlights CNG's environmental benefits, stating that it produces less pollution than gasoline and diesel. However, it also mentions several drawbacks, such as storage limitations, safety concerns, and lower engine performance. Since this option presents a balanced view, it best summarizes the passage.

Option A

"There are advantages and disadvantages of using cars that run or operate on natural gas or CNG."

While this statement is technically true, it is too broad and generic. The passage provides specific reasons why CNG is beneficial (lower emissions) and problematic (storage, safety, and performance issues), but this option does not mention any of them. A strong summary should provide more insight rather than a general statement.

Option B

"Rising levels of air pollution are the biggest reason why people prefer CNG cars."

This option is incorrect because nowhere in the passage does it state that people "prefer" CNG cars due to pollution concerns. While the passage does discuss air pollution as a major issue, it does not suggest that people are actively choosing CNG cars because of it. In fact, it



mentions that CNG has not been used as extensively as gasoline or diesel, indicating that preference is not a significant factor.

Option D

"Natural Gas cars are better than cars that run on fossil fuels."

This option is misleading because the passage does not make a definitive claim that CNG cars are "better" overall. While it acknowledges that CNG cars pollute less, it also highlights significant disadvantages, such as storage constraints, safety issues, and lower performance. Since the passage presents a balanced view, this option is too one-sided and does not accurately reflect the discussion.

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Q8 Text Solution:

Correct Answer: A

Explanation:

- **Option A (Correct):**
 - **What It Says:** This option accurately reflects the passage's argument that while controlling a superintelligent AI to prevent it from using probes is a concern, managing its actions in terms of spatial constraints is less complex compared to other types of AI control problems.
 - **Why It's Right:** It aligns with the passage's discussion of the relative difficulty of different AI control challenges.
- **Option B:**
 - **What It Says:** This option focuses on the difficulty of managing a superintelligent AI and ensuring it does not pursue overly ambitious goals.

- **Why It's Wrong:** It introduces the concept of overly ambitious goals, which is not the primary focus of the passage. The passage is more concerned with the comparative complexity of controlling spatial constraints.
- **Option C:**
 - **What It Says:** This option suggests the main issue is preventing the AI from acting on distant goals.
 - **Why It's Wrong:** It misrepresents the passage's focus, which is on comparing the complexity of different AI control problems rather than just the issue of distant goals.
- **Option D:**
 - **What It Says:** This option implies that controlling spatial limits is simpler than other AI safety issues.
 - **Why It's Wrong:** It inaccurately represents the passage by oversimplifying the difficulty of managing spatial constraints.

Conclusion:

Option A remains the best choice, as it accurately summarizes the passage's argument about the relative difficulty of different AI control problems, specifically highlighting the comparative ease of managing spatial constraints.

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Q9 Text Solution:

Hint:

Identify the core ideas: (1) Color psychology is a significant field of study, (2) Different hues provoke different emotional reactions, and (3)



These insights have practical applications, especially in marketing and design.

Explanation for the correct answer:

Option B captures the essence of the passage by summarizing the key points: color psychology studies how different hues elicit various emotional responses, which, in turn, significantly influence human behavior and decision-making. The option correctly emphasizes the importance of this field in understanding human reactions and its practical applications in areas like marketing and design.

Explanation for the incorrect answers:

Option A: This option is incorrect because it claims that emotional reactions to colors are "capricious". This contradicts the passage's central argument that emotional responses to colors are well-established.

Option C: This option is misleading because it starts by acknowledging the practical utility of color psychology but then contradicts itself by claiming that the emotional reactions evoked by colors are "devoid of influence on human behavior." This directly conflicts with the passage's emphasis on the substantial impact that color psychology has on human behavior and decision-making.

Option D: This option is incorrect because it states that colors like red and blue have no inherent emotional connotations. This directly contradicts the passage, which specifically highlights the emotional associations of these colors and their relevance in influencing behavior.

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Q10 Text Solution:

Essence:

The essence of solving such questions lies in identifying the main themes and ideas presented in the passage. It's important to distinguish between what the passage explicitly states and what might be inferred or emphasized out of proportion in the incorrect options.

Hint:

To find the correct summary, focus on the most comprehensive option that includes all the main points discussed in the passage. Beware of options that may seem correct but either overemphasize a minor point or introduce an inference not fully supported by the passage.

The correct answer is D

Correct Option D captures the core elements of the passage, discussing the coronavirus as a "nexus issue and wicked problem," the significant influence of NHS policy across various domains due to the pandemic, and the impact of economic efficiency principles from the private sector on public services like the NHS. This option directly reflects the ideas presented in the passage.

Incorrect Options

Option A is incorrect because, while it mentions the weaknesses in NHS policy and the lack of resources, it focuses too much on the struggle of NHS policy rather than on the broader discussion of the coronavirus as a nexus issue and wicked problem.

Option B is incorrect because it inaccurately implies that the passage's main focus is on the impact of austerity measures on the NHS. While austerity is mentioned, the passage's broader theme is about the nexus issue and the influence of NHS policy across multiple domains.

Option C is incorrect because it overly emphasizes the failure of economic efficiency in the public sector. While this is a point made in the passage, the broader context of the coronavirus as a nexus issue and its influence on NHS policy is not adequately addressed in this option.

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**Q11 Text Solution:****Topic: Para-Summary****Essence of the question:**

This is a para summary question where we are required to find the option that best summarizes the given paragraph. To select the correct answer, we shall analyze the content that has been provided in the passage. It discusses effect of human activities on climate. The paragraph emphasizes the drastic alterations humanity has inflicted upon the planet, be it in terms of reshaped topographies or altered atmospheric compositions.

Explanation for the correct answer:

Option a: It accurately captures the essence of the paragraph by emphasizing humanity's significant and often detrimental impact on global ecosystems. This aligns with the paragraph's narrative about the broad scale of human-induced changes and the profound implications of these alterations. Thus, this is the correct answer.

Explanation for incorrect answers:

Option b: It is misleading. The paragraph does not describe the Anthropocene epoch as a period of harmonious relationship between humanity and the environment. Instead, it focuses on the transformative and often harmful effects of human activities.

Option c: While this option touches upon the need for a reassessment of humanity's relationship with the environment, it does not fully capture the extent of humanity's harmful influence on global ecosystems during the Anthropocene epoch, as emphasized in the passage. The passage discusses profound transformations resulting from human activities,

which necessitate a critical reevaluation of our ecological ethos, indicating the urgent need for change beyond just a reassessment. Therefore, option C is not a comprehensive summary of the passage.

Option d: It is contrary to the paragraph's message. The paragraph does not claim that human activities have been largely beneficial. In fact, it highlights the significant alterations and their potential implications.

Video Solution:**Q12 Text Solution:****Topic: Para-Summary****Correct answer: B**

Essence of the Question: The question seeks the summary that best captures the main idea or central theme of the passage regarding permafrost thawing and its implications for climate change.

Explanation for the Correct Answer: Option B accurately summarizes the passage by highlighting the causal relationship between climate change and permafrost thawing. It emphasizes that climate change is causing permafrost to thaw, leading to the release of greenhouse gases and exacerbating the greenhouse effect. This option effectively encapsulates the key points discussed in the passage.

Explanation for Incorrect Answers:

A. Option A correctly identifies that permafrost thawing releases stored greenhouse gases, contributing to climate change. However, it is incomplete. It doesn't explicitly mention the causal relationship between climate change and permafrost thawing, which is the central theme of the passage.



C. Option C inaccurately suggests that the release of greenhouse gases due to permafrost thaw is not a significant contributor to climate change. This contradicts the main idea of the passage, which emphasizes the importance of addressing permafrost thaw to mitigate climate change.

D. Option D incorrectly states that permafrost thaw primarily affects ecosystems and infrastructure with minimal impact on the climate. This overlooks the significant contribution of permafrost thawing to climate change through the release of greenhouse gases, as discussed in the passage.

Trap of the question: One potential trap for the candidate is to overlook the causal relationship between climate change and permafrost thawing, as emphasized in option B. Candidates might choose options that focus solely on the effects of permafrost thawing without considering its connection to climate change. Therefore, it's essential to carefully evaluate each option to identify the one that best captures the central theme of the passage.

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Q13 Text Solution:

Topic: Para-Summary

Essence of the question:

This is a para summary question where we are required to find the option that best summarizes the given paragraph. To select the correct answer, we shall analyze the content that has been provided in the passage.

Explanation for the correct answer:

Option B: concisely captures these main points. It mentions the emergence of quantum mechanics in the early 20th century, introduces the

concepts of inherent uncertainty and superposition through Schrödinger's cat, and highlights the theory's practical applications while noting its challenge to classical physics. In summary, Option A provides the most accurate and concise summary of the passage's main ideas, making it the correct choice.

Explanation for incorrect answers:

Option A: It does not mention about the Schrödinger's cat which is an important example.

Option C: Places no emphasis on the practical applications of quantum mechanics, which are a significant aspect of the passage.

Option D: Does not mention about the 20th century timing.

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Q14 Text Solution:

Essence of the Question:

The essence of the question is to evaluate comprehension and the ability to accurately summarize a detailed account of Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva's presidency compared to his predecessor, Jair Bolsonaro, and his successor, Dilma Rousseff. It tests the understanding of Lula's impact on deforestation, the economic and policy issues of his presidency, and the broader political context.

Explanation for correct options:

Option C accurately captures the key points of the paragraph: Lula's narrow victory over Bolsonaro, Bolsonaro's negative impact on the environment and democracy, Lula's efforts to address deforestation, and the continuation of economic and spending issues from Lula's previous term and under Dilma Rousseff.

Explanation for Incorrect Options:



Option A This option correctly notes the election result and Lula's efforts on deforestation, but it oversimplifies the nature of Lula's current presidency by stating it has merely continued "old economic policies and public spending practices," without addressing the specific issues from Lula's second term and Dilma Rousseff's presidency.

Option C This option accurately describes the election and Bolsonaro's issues, but it mentions "limited success" without specifying the issues from Lula's previous terms and Rousseff's presidency, which are crucial to understanding the current problems.

Option D This option provides a good summary but lacks detail about Lula's previous term issues and Dilma Rousseff's term. It also slightly underemphasizes the continuity of economic problems and corruption issues that Lula's presidency is facing.

Trap of the Question:

The trap of the question lies in the nuanced comparison of Lula's current presidency with his previous terms and Dilma Rousseff's tenure. It requires careful attention to detail to avoid misinterpreting Lula's ongoing economic and policy challenges. Candidates might be misled by options that oversimplify or inaccurately represent Lula's performance and the specific historical context, leading to incorrect summaries.

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Q15 Text Solution:

Topic: Para-Summary

Essence of the question:

This is a para summary question where we are required to find the option that best summarizes

the given paragraph. To select the correct answer, we shall analyze the content that has been provided in the passage. The provided paragraph delves into the realm of shadow banking, particularly its role and consequences surrounding the 2008 financial crisis and the subsequent policy responses. The primary focus is on the opaque nature of shadow banking and how it influenced regulatory changes post-crisis.

Explanation for the correct answer:

Option D, strikes a balance by highlighting the 2008 crisis as a turning point that illuminated the shadow banking system's opaque operations. It further underscores the resultant regulatory shift aimed at fostering a more transparent and resilient financial landscape. This option holistically represents the paragraph's dual focus on the challenges posed by shadow banking during the crisis and the subsequent policy measures taken to address those challenges. Therefore, Option D serves as the most apt summary of the paragraph's primary argument.

Explanation for incorrect answers:

Option a: This captures the essence of increased regulatory scrutiny post-crisis but does not provide a comprehensive view of the reasons behind it, specifically the inherent risks and opaque nature of shadow banking.

Option b: while emphasizing the systemic risks and mentioning complex instruments like CDOs, does not encapsulate the broader regulatory response and the drive for enhanced transparency in the aftermath.

Option c: It accurately portrays the regulatory intent post-crisis but places undue focus on the benefits of shadow banking, which isn't the paragraph's core message.

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Q16 Text Solution:

Topic: Para-Summary

Correct answer: Option C

Explanation for the Correct Answer:

Option C provides the most accurate summary of the passage. It encompasses the key points discussed in the passage, including breaches in supply chain agreements, allegations of unauthorized technology use, and suggestions of corporate espionage, illustrating the multifaceted challenges in international business.

Explanation for Incorrect Answers:

Option A: This option incorrectly suggests that the legal complexities primarily arise from cultural differences, downplaying the significance of breaches in supply chain agreements and allegations of corporate espionage.

Option B: While this option correctly identifies the allegations exchanged between Metorex and Chin Wah, it does not fully encapsulate the breadth of the legal confrontation, omitting the mention of third-party suggestions of corporate espionage.

Option D: This option mischaracterizes the dispute as straightforward and solely focused on differences in corporate cultures, overlooking the significant legal allegations raised by both parties and the involvement of third-party suggestions of corporate espionage.

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Q17 Text Solution:

Topic: Para-Summary

Correct answer: Option C

Explanation for the Correct Answer:

Option C provides the most accurate summary of the passage. It encapsulates the main points discussed, including the revolutionary nature of CRISPR technology in DNA editing, its potential to transform treatments for genetic disorders, and the substantial ethical debates surrounding its potential uses, particularly in human enhancement.

Explanation for Incorrect Answers:

Option A: This option inaccurately suggests that the scientific community mostly supports the unrestricted use of CRISPR technology, overlooking the growing concern and substantial ethical debates surrounding its potential misuse.

Option B: While this option mentions the ethical dilemmas associated with CRISPR, it overly focuses on designing babies with specific traits, neglecting the discussion on genetic disorders and human enhancement.

Option D: This option provides a fragmented summary, mentioning some aspects of CRISPR's potential and the ethical dilemmas. It fails to highlight DNA editing and other key aspects of the paragraph. This option lacks coherence and clarity compared to Option C.

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Explanation:

A) This option captures both the ethical dilemma and the practical aspect of medical triage, including how automation is used to make tough decisions, such as when religious or ethical objections are overruled in favor of maximizing survival. It strikes the right balance between



ethics, survival, and the role of automation, making it the most accurate summary. **Correct.**

B) This option focuses primarily on automation and survival rates but fails to address the ethical complexities mentioned in the passage, particularly the role of human judgment and the need to potentially overrule personal beliefs.

Incorrect.

C) This option is close but places too much emphasis on human judgment, neglecting the significant role automation plays in making triage decisions, as well as downplaying the specific ethical challenge of overruling religious objections. **Incorrect.**

D) This option focuses on automation's role in decision-making but incorrectly suggests that ethical complexities, such as overruling religious beliefs, are not addressed in the passage, making it inaccurate. **Incorrect.**

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Structured Explanation:

1. Option B:

- **Analysis:** This option captures the essence of the passage by mentioning Jerry Ehman, the 'Wow!' signal, its uniqueness, and the intriguing possibility of it being from intelligent extraterrestrial beings. It accurately reflects the main points without introducing any extraneous details.
- **Selection Reason:** This is the most comprehensive summary that aligns closely with the passage, making it the best choice.

2. Option A:

- **Analysis:** While this option correctly mentions the 'Wow!' signal and Jerry Ehman, it incorrectly emphasizes the possibility of the signal being an error, which is not a primary focus of the passage. The passage does not suggest that Ehman initially considered it an error; instead, it presents the signal as a unique and significant anomaly.
- **Elimination Reason:** Misleading focus on the signal being a potential error, which is not supported by the passage.

3. Option C:

- **Analysis:** This option accurately describes the 'Wow!' signal as an anomaly with a sequence of letters and numbers but does not explicitly mention the possibility of an extraterrestrial origin or the significance of the discovery. It focuses on the technical aspects without fully capturing the main idea.
- **Elimination Reason:** Incomplete summary; it lacks the mention of the possibility of an extraterrestrial origin, which is a key point in the passage.

4. Option D:

- **Analysis:** This option introduces the idea that the 'Wow!' signal might be explained by technical errors, which is not suggested in the passage. The passage presents the signal as a unique and mysterious anomaly, with the possibility of it being from an unknown or extraterrestrial source, not as a likely technical error.
- **Elimination Reason:** Incorrectly suggests a technical error explanation, which deviates from the passage's content.

Conclusion:

- **Correct Answer:** B
- **Reason:** Option A provides the most accurate and complete summary of the passage, correctly capturing the significance of the



'Wow!' signal, the role of Jerry Ehman, and the intriguing possibility of its extraterrestrial origin.

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Correct Answer: D

Explanation:

- **Option A:**
 - **What It Says:** This option correctly notes the limit imposed by the Universe's expansion but suggests that some galaxies may still be overtaken before the limit is reached.
 - **Why It's Wrong:** While accurate, it underplays the inevitability of the final limit and doesn't fully capture the nuance of how the expansion rate affects the process over time.
- **Option B:**
 - **What It Says:** This option implies that technological advancements could overcome the Universe's expansion.
 - **Why It's Wrong:** The passage indicates that no matter the technology, the expansion of the Universe will eventually outpace any potential for further galactic conquest, making this option inaccurate.
- **Option C:**
 - **What It Says:** This option correctly identifies the initial rapid expansion and the eventual halt but does not fully address the specific impact of the Universe's accelerating expansion.
 - **Why It's Wrong:** It misses the point that the geometry and acceleration of the

Universe's expansion create a precise boundary, not just a gradual slowing.

• Option D (Correct):

- **What It Says:** This option accurately reflects the passage's discussion of the Universe's geometry and expansion rate, leading to a definitive limit on galactic conquest long before reaching the causal horizon.
- **Why It's Right:** It captures both the increasing rate of conquest and the ultimate limitation imposed by the accelerating expansion of the Universe, making it the most precise and comprehensive summary.

Conclusion:

Option D is the best choice as it encapsulates the complex interplay between the Universe's geometry, the accelerating expansion, and the limits this imposes on the spread of life. The other options either oversimplify or misinterpret key aspects of the passage.

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Q21 Text Solution:

Topic: Para-Summary

Correct answer: Option B

Explanation for the Correct Answer:

Option B provides the most accurate summary of the origins and development of Karate. It correctly identifies Okinawa as the birthplace of Karate, influenced by cultural exchanges with China and Japan. The summary highlights Karate's emphasis on empty-hand techniques, its initial use for self-defense, and its evolution into a global martial art practiced for physical fitness and self-improvement.



Explanation for Incorrect Answers:

Option A: While this option mentions Okinawa as the birthplace of Karate and its influences from Chinese and Japanese cultures, it does not include details about the evolution of Karate into a global martial art, which is discussed in the passage.

Option C: This option focuses solely on Gichin Funakoshi's role in introducing Karate to mainland Japan, omitting other key aspects of Karate's origins and development discussed in the passage.

Option D: This option incorrectly suggests that Karate's history is primarily rooted in Japan and practiced for combat purposes before spreading to Okinawa and other parts of Asia. However, the passage clearly states that Karate originated in Okinawa, not Japan, and highlights its evolution from self-defense to a global martial art. Therefore, option D is inaccurate.

Video Solution:**Q22 Text Solution:**

Topic: Para-Summary

Correct answer: Option B

Explanation for the Correct Answer:

Option B provides the most accurate summary of the passage. It correctly identifies compassion, filial piety, and the cultivation of moral virtues as central pillars of Confucian ethics, extending to broader societal interactions. This summary encapsulates the core principles of Confucianism discussed in the passage and its profound impact on Chinese culture and society.

Explanation for Incorrect Answers:

Option A: This option incorrectly suggests that Confucianism places a strong emphasis on the individual's pursuit of success and personal

ambition above all else, which contradicts the emphasis on moral virtues, family, social harmony, and noble rulership discussed in the passage.

Option C: This option misrepresents the concept of "ren" by emphasizing personal success and individual ambition, which contradicts its emphasis on compassion, empathy, and the development of virtuous character discussed in the passage.

Option D: This option incorrectly portrays Confucianism as promoting a rebellious spirit and defiance of established social norms, which contradicts its emphasis on filial piety, respect for authority, and adherence to established norms and customs discussed in the passage..

Video Solution:**Q23 Text Solution:****Analysis of the Passage:**

- The passage discusses the historical and ongoing impact of the "giggle factor"—a cultural phenomenon that associates the search for extraterrestrial intelligence (SETI) with UFOs and diminishes the seriousness of the field.
- The "giggle factor" has been a significant challenge for scientists in SETI, almost leading to its demise in the past.
- The passage also notes that despite advancements in astrobiology and technosignatures, overcoming the "giggle factor" remains a critical challenge for researchers.

Evaluation of Each Option:

- **Option A:**



- **What It Says:** The giggle factor has consistently undermined the credibility of astrobiology, making it hard for researchers to be taken seriously.
- **Why It's Wrong:** The passage focuses on the impact of the giggle factor on SETI and technosignatures, not broadly on astrobiology. It overgeneralizes the effect and misattributes the focus of the passage.
- **Option B:**
 - **What It Says:** The giggle factor has primarily affected public perception of UFOs and not the scientific community's approach to SETI.
 - **Why It's Wrong:** This option downplays the passage's key point about the giggle factor significantly affecting the scientific community, especially those in SETI. The passage emphasizes that the giggle factor has indeed impacted scientists, not just public perception.
- **Option C (Correct):**
 - **What It Says:** The giggle factor has been a major obstacle for SETI, nearly ending the field, and continues to be an existential challenge for researchers studying technosignatures.
 - **Why It's Right:** This option accurately captures the essence of the passage by acknowledging both the historical and ongoing challenges posed by the giggle factor. It correctly identifies the existential threat it continues to pose to researchers in technosignatures.
- **Option D:**
 - **What It Says:** The development of new technologies in astrobiology has largely mitigated the influence of the giggle factor on scientific research.
 - **Why It's Wrong:** This option inaccurately suggests that recent advancements have resolved the issues posed by the giggle

factor. The passage explicitly mentions that overcoming the giggle factor remains a significant challenge, even with new technologies.

Conclusion:

- **Option C** is the most accurate summary because it aligns closely with the passage's emphasis on the giggle factor as a continuing and significant challenge for SETI and researchers in the field of technosignatures. The other options either misrepresent or oversimplify the passage's main ideas.

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Topic: Para-Summary

Explanation for the correct answer:

Option d: Option D, on the other hand, holistically captures the central theme. It touches upon the deeper interconnectedness suggested by quantum mechanics, as evidenced by the paragraph's discussions about the universe's nature, the phenomenon of entanglement, and the significant implications of these concepts. The interconnectedness is not just in the physical realm but also in how the universe is understood, challenging and expanding upon traditional classical views. Therefore, Option D is the most comprehensive choice that captures the primary argument of the paragraph.

Explanation for incorrect answers:

Option a: It addresses only a part of the paragraph's essence, focusing solely on the challenge to classical physics. While the paragraph indeed speaks about the challenging nature of quantum entanglement to classical views, it encompasses a broader theme.



Option b: It emphasizes the idea of "non-local view," which, although mentioned, isn't the crux of the paragraph.

Option c: This option isolates only the historical skepticism towards black holes and doesn't capture the overall essence.

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Correct Option

Option B: Summarises the paragraph by highlighting the initial incompatibility between general relativity and quantum mechanics due to their descriptions of the subatomic realm and the universe. It also Mentions the clash between deterministic processes in general relativity and the probabilistic nature of quantum mechanics.

Why other options are not the answer:

- Option A: Focuses on reconciling Morse Code with whalesong as an analogy, which is mentioned in the paragraph but doesn't cover the core issue of incompatibility between the two theories.
- Option C: Talks about the clash between determinism and probability but lacks specificity about the theories' descriptions and their compatibility issues.
- Option D: Discusses the theories' reliance on arcane mathematics and emphasizes their initial incompatibility, but the descriptions of the particular theories' are interchanged as per the paragraph.

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Topic: Para-Summary

Correct answer: Option B

Explanation for the Correct Answer:

Option B provides an apt summation of the passage. It acknowledges that while there have been advancements in cognitive studies, the precise workings of consciousness and emotion remain elusive. This aligns with the passage's description of the human psyche as one of the last great frontiers yet to be fully charted, highlighting the enigmatic nature of consciousness, emotion, and intricate cognitive processes.

Explanation for Incorrect Answers:

- Option A: This option inaccurately suggests that cognitive studies have achieved comprehensive understanding, which contradicts the passage's assertion that these areas remain largely enigmatic and challenge current paradigms.
- Option C: This option erroneously claims that the understanding of the human psyche has been fully charted, which directly contradicts the passage's assertion that it remains one of the last great frontiers yet to be fully explored.
- Option D: While this option acknowledges a distinction between physiological brain activities and emotions, it fails to capture the essence of the passage, which emphasizes the mysterious and enigmatic nature of consciousness, emotion, and intricate cognitive processes that remain largely uncharted.

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Option B Summarizes Fechner questioning whether plants can have subjective sensations without nerves. It highlights his use of analogy to argue against the exceptional status of nervous systems in defining consciousness.

Why other options are not the answer:

- **Option A:** Focuses on plant and animal nervous system analogy but misses Fechner's broader critique of nervous system exceptionalism and its role in subjective sensations.
 - **Option C:** Discusses plant subjective sensations but doesn't cover Fechner's critique of nervous system importance. This option also mentions that plants have subjective sensations which is not conclusively mentioned in the paragraph. Hence it is a bit extreme
 - **Option D:** Mentions instruments analogy but doesn't address Fechner's philosophical argument about the role of nervous systems in determining the presence or absence of the soul .
- Option B best captures Fechner's central themes of analogy and consciousness, making it the most comprehensive summary of the paragraph.

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Correct Answer: Option C

Why Option C is Correct:

This option accurately summarizes the passage's key points, stating that mindfulness is linked to improved focus and emotional regulation. It also

acknowledges that mindfulness positively impacts overall mental health, which aligns with the passage's discussion on stress reduction and emotional resilience.

Why the Other Options Are Incorrect:

Option A:

The phrase "plateau stress" is incorrect because mindfulness helps reduce stress rather than just stabilize it. "Revolutionize mental well-being" is an overstatement—while mindfulness improves well-being, the passage does not suggest a dramatic transformation.

Option B:

The passage states that mindfulness involves observing thoughts without judgment, not becoming oblivious to them. Mindfulness does not promote ignoring thoughts but rather acknowledging them without attachment.

Option D:

The passage states that mindfulness is often taught through guided meditation sessions, so saying it is taught "exclusively through unguided sessions" is incorrect. The phrase "revolutionary overhaul" is exaggerated and not supported by the passage.

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Topic: Para-Summary

Correct answer: Option C

Essence of the Question:

The question asks for a summary of Edgar Allan Poe's contributions to the horror genre, as discussed in the passage. It requires identifying the main points about Poe's works and their impact on the horror genre.

Explanation for the Correct Answer:

Option C accurately summarizes Edgar Allan



Poe's contributions to the horror genre. It mentions Poe's works, such as "The Tell-Tale Heart" and "The Fall of the House of Usher," known for their dark themes and use of unreliable narrators. The option also acknowledges how Poe's writings influenced future writers.

Explanation for Incorrect Answers:

Option A: This option focuses on Poe's influence on future writers, but it does not mention Poe's exploration of dark themes or his use of unreliable narrators, which are key aspects discussed in the passage.

Option B: While this option acknowledges Poe's mastery of macabre and Gothic literature, it does not specifically mention his exploration of the human psyche's darker aspects or his use of unreliable narrators, which are significant contributions highlighted in the passage.

Option D: This option mentions Poe's exploration of the human psyche's darker aspects but does not include his use of unreliable narrators or his influence on future writers. It also lacks specific references to Poe's works, unlike option C.

Trap of the question:

The trap in this question lies in options A, B, and D, which each highlight certain aspects of Poe's contributions to the horror genre but fail to provide a comprehensive summary as option C does. Candidates might be tempted to choose these options if they focus solely on one aspect of Poe's contributions mentioned in the passage without considering the passage's overall discussion.

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Q30 Text Solution:

Topic: Para-Summary

Correct answer: Option A

Essence of the Question:

The question requires selecting the summary that best encapsulates the main points discussed in the passage about Sigmund Freud's contributions to modern psychology, including his theories, concepts, and impact on psychotherapy.

Explanation for the Correct Answer:

Option A accurately summarizes Sigmund Freud's contributions to modern psychology. It mentions his psychoanalytic theory of personality, exploration of the unconscious mind, and introduction of defense mechanisms, highlighting their transformative impact on modern psychology and their continued relevance.

Explanation for Incorrect Answers:

Option B: While this option mentions Freud's work in psychotherapy and its impact on modern psychology, it does not cover his development of psychoanalytic theory, exploration of the unconscious mind, or introduction of defense mechanisms, which are significant contributions discussed in the passage.

Option C: This option focuses solely on Freud's proposal about human behavior being influenced by unconscious thoughts and desires, omitting his development of psychoanalytic theory, exploration of defense mechanisms, and impact on psychotherapy, which are also discussed in the passage.

Option D: While this option mentions Freud's development of psychoanalytic theory and exploration of the unconscious mind, it does not include his introduction of defense mechanisms or his impact on modern psychotherapy, which are significant aspects discussed in the passage.

Trap of the Question:

The trap in this question lies in options B, C, and D, which each focus on specific aspects of Freud's contributions without providing a comprehensive summary of all the main points discussed in the passage. Candidates might be tempted to choose these options if they focus solely on one



aspect of Freud's contributions mentioned in the passage without considering the passage's overall discussion.

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