Comprehension

Class Discussion

Q.42. [E.C-2012] O ne of the **legacies** of the Roman legions was discipline. In the legions, military law prevailed and discipline was brutal. Discipline on the battlefield kept units obedient, intact and fighting, even when the odds and conditions were against them.

Which one of the following statements best sums up the meaning of the above passage?

(A) Thorough regimentation was the main reason for the efficiency of the Roman

legion even in adverse circumstances.

(B) The legions were treated inhumanly as if the men were animals.

(C) Discipline was the armies’ inheritance from their seniors.

(D) The harsh discipline to which the legions were subjected to led to the odds and conditions being against them.

Q.37. [A.E 2012] In the early nineteenth century, theories of social evolution were inspired less by Biology than by the conviction of social scientists that there was a growing improvement in social institutions. Progress was taken for granted and social scientists attempted to discover its laws and phases.

Which one of the following inferences may be drawn with the greatest accuracy from the above passage?

(A) Social scientists did not question that progress was a fact.

(B) did not approve of Biology.

(C) framed the laws of progress.

(D) emphasized Biology over Social Sciences.

Q.27. [E.C 2014] “India is a country of rich heritage and cultural diversity.” Which one of the following facts best supports the claim made in the above sentence? (A) India is a union of 28 states and 7 union territories. (B) India has a population of over 1.1 billion.

(C) India is home to 22 official languages and thousands of dialects.

(D) The Indian cricket team draws players from over ten states.

Q.20. [ A.G 2014] Moving into a world of big data will require us to change our thinking about the merits of exactitude. To apply the conventional mindset of measurement to the digital, connected world of the twenty-first century is to miss a crucial point. As mentioned earlier, the obsession with exactness is an artefact

of the information-deprived analog era. When data was sparse, every data point was critical, and thus great care was taken to avoid letting any point bias the analysis. From “BIG DATA” Viktor Mayer- Schonberger and Kenneth Cukier The main point of the paragraph is: (A) The twenty-first century is a digital world

(B) Big data is obsessed with exactness

(C) Exactitude is not critical in dealing with big data

(D) Sparse data leads to a bias in the analysis.

Q.16. [A.E 2014] Rajan was not happy that Sajan decided to do the project on his own. On observing his unhappiness, Sajan explained to Rajan that he preferred to work independently.

Which one of the statements below is logically valid and can be inferred from the above sentences?

(A) Rajan has decided to work only in a group.

(B) Rajan and Sajan were formed into a group against their wishes.

(C) Sajan had decided to give in to Rajan’s request to work with him.

(D) Rajan had believed that Sajan and he would be working together.

Q.13. [E.C 2013] **Statement:** There were different streams of freedom movements in colonial India carried out by the moderates, liberals, radicals, socialists, and so on. Which one of the following is the best inference from the above statement?

(A) The emergence of nationalism in colonial India led to our Independence.

(B) Nationalism in India emerged in the context of colonialism.

(C) Nationalism in India is homogeneous.

(D) Nationalism in India is heterogeneous.

Q.10. [E.C 2013] Statement: You can always give me a ring whenever you need. Which one of the following is the best inference from the above statement? (A) Because I have a nice caller tune.

(B) Because I have a better telephone facility.

(C) Because a friend in need is a friend indeed.

(D) Because you need not pay towards the telephone bills when you give me a ring.