

# READING COMPREHENSION

## PASSAGE I

Read the following comprehension and answer the following question.

Though cynics like to see the government's strategy for women in terms of the party's inner power efforts, it will, on the other hand be impolite to reject that it symbolized a revolutionary effort designed at bringing about sweeping social improvements. In its language a scope of understanding of woman requirements, which is uncommon in government pronouncements This is due in large part to the participatory procedure that marked its formulation, looking for the active participation right from the start of women's groups, educational institution and non-government association with grass roots knowledge. The consequence is not just a haughty announcement of principles but a blueprint of a sensible programmed of action. The strategy delineates a sequence of existing measures to deal women a choice making role in the political area and greater power over their economic position. Of especially far reaching contact are the decentralization of control of financial communications to women, notably at the gram panchayat level, and the improvement planned in the Hindu progression Act of 1956 to give women coparceners their rights. A progressive aspect of the policy is its gratitude that actual modify in the position of women cannot be brought about by the simple ratification of socially progressive legislation. As a result, it focuses on reorienting growth programmer and sensitizing management to address precise situations, as for example, the rising number of family headed by women, which is a result of rural and urban relocation. The proposal to generate an equal prospect police force and give women better control of police station is an acknowledgement of the bias and callousness displayed by the usually all male commandment enforcement authorities in cases of household violence. While the mere enunciation of such a strategy has the useful effect of sensitizing the management as a whole, it does not make the job of its execution any easier. This is because the changes it predicts in the political and financial status of a woman strike at the root of power arrangement in the society and the basis of man woman connection. There is also the danger that reservation of women in civic life, while necessary of their greater visibility, could tumble into tokenism or become a means in the hands of vote seeking politicians. Much will depend on the propagation of the strategy and the ability of the chosen representatives and government organization to reorder their priority.

1. According to the passage, which of the following feature has been recognized as, it alone would not bring change in the position of women?

- A. Coparcenary rights of women
- B. Judgment making role in political area

C. Enactment of socially progressive legislation

D. Greater control over financial status

E. Creating equal prospect in police force

Ans : C

2. According to the comprehension, which of the following is a consequence of rural and urban migration?

A. Growth programs are not effective

B. Legislation is not enforced properly

C. Industries do not get adequate man power in rural areas

D. Many women voyage to urban areas leaving their family in the rural areas

E. None of the above

Ans : E

3. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

A. Domestic violence is on the rise

B. Women already have coparcenaries rights

C. There is a need for stricter legislation

D. Most of the government policies are formulated through participatory process

E. The policy recommends reservation for women

Ans : E

4. According to the comprehension which of the following is not correct?

A. The policy gives a blueprint for program me of action

B. For effective implementation, the government agencies will have to reorder their priorities

C. There is no law enforcement bias in cases of domestic violence

D. The woman should be given greater control of police stations

E. The policy based on the perceptive of the requirements of women

Ans : C

5. Which of the following is true about the policy?

A. In its formulation participatory loom was not followed

B. This is a new assertion by the government

C. It has made several big announcement

D. It is a revolutionary effort

E. It is not based on perceptive of women requirements

Ans : D

## **PASSAGE II**

The Gross Domestic Product (GDP), which measures the dollar value of finished goods and services produced by an economy during a given period, serves as the chief indicator of the economic well-being of the United States. The GDP assumes that the economic significance of goods and services lies solely in their price, and that these goods and services add to the national well-being, not because of any intrinsic value they may possess, but simply because they were produced and bought. Additionally, only those goods and services involved in monetary transactions are included in the GDP. Thus, the GDP ignores the economic utility of such things as a clean environment and cohesive families and communities. It is therefore not merely coincidental, since national policies in capitalist and noncapitalist countries alike are dependent on indicators such as the GDP, that both the environment and the social structure have been eroded in recent decades. Not only does the GDP mask this erosion, it can actually portray it as an economic gain: an oil spill off a coastal region “adds” to the GDP because it generates commercial activity. In short, the nation’s central measure of economic well-being works like a calculating machine that adds but cannot subtract.

6. The primary purpose of the passage is to

(A) identify ways in which the GDP could be modified so that it would serve as a more accurate indicator of the economic well-being of the United States

(B) suggest that the GDP, in spite of certain shortcomings, is still the most reliable indicator

of the economic well-being of the United States

(C) examine crucial shortcomings of the GDP as an indicator of the economic well-being of the United States

(D) argue that the growth of the United States economy in recent decades has diminished the effectiveness of the GDP as an indicator of the nation's economic well-being

(E) discuss how the GDP came to be used as the primary indicator of the economic well-being of the United States

7. Which of the following best describes the function of the second sentence of the passage in the context of the passage as a whole?

(A) It describes an assumption about the GDP that is defended in the course of the passage.

(B) It contributes to a discussion of the origins of the GDP.

(C) It clarifies a common misconception about the use of the GDP.

(D) It identifies a major flaw in the GDP.

(E) It suggests a revision to the method of calculating the GDP.

8. It can be inferred that the author of the passage would agree with which of the following about the "economic significance" of those goods and services that are included in the GDP?

(A) It is a comprehensive indicator of a nation's economic well-being.

(B) It is not accurately captured by the price of those goods and services.

(C) It is usually less than the intrinsic value of those goods and services.

(D) It is more difficult to calculate than the economic significance of those goods and services that are not included in the GDP.

(E) It is calculated differently in capitalist countries than in noncapitalist countries.

9. The comparison of the GDP to a calculating machine serves to do which of the following?

(A) Refute an assertion that the calculations involved in the GDP are relatively complex in nature

(B) Indicate that the GDP is better suited to record certain types of monetary transactions than others

(C) Suggest that it is likely that the GDP will be supplanted by other, more sophisticated economic indicators

(D) Illustrate the point that the GDP has no way of measuring the destructive impact of such things as oil spills on the nation's economic well-being

(E) Exemplify an assertion that the GDP tends to exaggerate the amount of commercial activity generated by such things as oil spills

10. The passage implies that national policies that rely heavily on economic indicators such as the GDP tend to

(A) become increasingly capitalistic in nature

(B) disregard the economic importance of environmental and social factors that do not involve monetary transactions

(C) overestimate the amount of commercial activity generated by environmental disasters

(D) overestimate the economic significance of cohesive families and communities

(E) assume that the economic significance of goods and services does not lie solely in the price of those goods and services

## ANSWERS

6. The correct answer is C.

7. The correct answer is D.

8. The correct answer is B.

9. The correct answer is D.

10. The correct answer is B.

## FILL IN THE BLANKS

11. The pressure of a gas varies \_\_\_\_\_ temperature.

A) from B) in C) over D) of

12. Pressure is \_\_\_\_\_ inverse proportion \_\_\_\_\_ volume.

A) in / to B) at / of C) in / in D) on / in

13. We react \_\_\_\_\_ stress \_\_\_\_\_ two ways.

A) - / in B) to / in C) at / on D) - / for

14. Heavy drinkers are more prone \_\_\_\_\_ cirrhosis of the liver.

A) of B) at C) with D) to

## ANSWERS

11-B

12-A

13-B

14-D

15. French leave

- A. Long absence
- B. Leave on the pretext of illness
- C. Causal leave
- D. Absence without permission

Ans: D

16. To carry off the bell.

- A. To call others for help
- B. To bag the first position
- C. To steal all wealth and flee
- D. To trouble others

Ans: B

17. A black sheep.

- A) stranger
- B) on the run
- C) scoundrel
- D) gentleman

Ans: C

18. To snap one's fingers.

- A. To accept immediately
- B. To speak abruptly
- C. To grasp eagerly
- D. To become contemptuous of

Ans: D

### CHOOSE THE CORRECT SENTENCE

**Directions :** Each set of the following sentences comprises four alternatives labelled as 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D'. Candidate is required to select the most suitable alternative which coveys the exact meaning in accordance with the correct grammatical rules.

- 19. A. You cannot win my confidence until you are sincere.  
B. When he lost the book he searched it everywhere. .  
C. She was intent to harm her friends.  
D. I have not met my friend for the last five days.
- 20. A. He started to work hard lest he might starve in old age.  
B. He started working hard lest he should not starve in old age.  
C. He started to work hard lest he should starve in old age.  
D. He started working hard lest he should starve in old age.
- 21. A. If I had money I would have bought the new house tomorrow.  
B. If I had had money I would have bought a new house tomorrow.  
C. If I had had money. I would buy a new house tomorrow.

- D. If I had money I would buy a new house tomorrow.
22. A. Taking my food I left for college.  
 B. While I was taking my food I left for college.  
 C. Having taken my food I left for college.  
 D. Taking my food I shall leave for college.
23. A. The harassed wife shot herself after bidding her husband the last good bye with a gun.  
 B. The harassed wife with a gun shot herself after bidding her husband the last good bye.  
 C. The harassed wife shot herself with a gun after bidding her husband the last good bye.  
 D. With a gun the harassed wife shot herself after bidding her husband the last good bye.
24. A. He repeated the essay word by word.  
 B. Being a rainy day he did not go out.  
 C. She is senior but not more efficient than I.  
 D. All his friends are very sincere.
25. A. She had waited long before her husband had returned.  
 B. She waited long when her husband returned.  
 C. She had waited long after her husband returned.  
 D. She had waited long before her husband returned. .
26. A. Even if intelligent he may be he can't succeed.  
 B. If intelligent he may be he can't succeed.  
 C. However intelligent he may be he can't succeed.  
 D. Even intelligent he may be he can't pass.

## ANSWERS

19	D
20	D
21	D
22	C
23	C
24	D
25	D
26	C

## SENTENCE IMPROVEMENT

27. By offering lower prices and a menu of personal communications options, such as caller identification and voice mail, the new telecommunications company has not only captured customers from other phone companies but also forced them to offer competitive prices.

- (A) has not only captured customers from other phone companies but also forced them  
 (B) has not only captured customers from other phone companies, but it also forced them  
 (C) has not only captured customers from other phone companies but also forced these companies  
 (D) not only has captured customers from other phone companies but also these companies have been forced  
 (E) not only captured customers from other phone companies, but it also has forced them

The correct answer is C.

28. After suffering \$2 billion in losses and 25,000 layoffs, the nation's semiconductor industry, which makes chips that run everything from computers and spy satellites to dishwashers, appears to have made a long-awaited recovery.

- (A) computers and spy satellites to dishwashers, appears to have
- (B) computers, spy satellites, and dishwashers, appears having
- (C) computers, spy satellites, and dishwashers, appears that it has
- (D) computers and spy satellites to dishwashers, appears that it has
- (E) computers and spy satellites as well as dishwashers, appears to have

The correct answer is A.

29. The computer company has announced that it will purchase the color-printing division of a rival company for \$950 million, which is part of a deal that will make it the largest manufacturer in the office color-printing market.

- (A) million, which is part of a deal that will make
- (B) million, a part of a deal that makes
- (C) million, a part of a deal making
- (D) million as a part of a deal to make
- (E) million as part of a deal that will make

The correct answer is E.

30. Bluegrass musician Bill Monroe, whose repertory, views on musical collaboration, and vocal style were influential on generations of bluegrass artists, was also an inspiration to many musicians, that included Elvis Presley and Jerry Garcia, whose music differed significantly from his own.

- (A) were influential on generations of bluegrass artists, was also an inspiration to many musicians, that included Elvis Presley and Jerry Garcia, whose music differed significantly from
- (B) influenced generations of bluegrass artists, also inspired many musicians, including Elvis Presley and Jerry Garcia, whose music differed significantly from
- (C) was influential to generations of bluegrass artists, was also inspirational to many musicians, that included Elvis Presley and Jerry Garcia, whose music was different significantly in comparison to
- (D) was influential to generations of bluegrass artists, also inspired many musicians, who included Elvis Presley and Jerry Garcia, the music of whom differed significantly when compared to
- (E) were an influence on generations of bluegrass artists, was also an inspiration to many musicians, including Elvis Presley and Jerry Garcia, whose music was significantly different from that of

The correct answer is B.



31. The computer company's present troubles are a result of technological stagnation, marketing missteps, and managerial blunders so that several attempts to revise corporate strategies have failed to correct it.

- (A) so that several attempts to revise corporate strategies have failed to correct it
- (B) so that several attempts at revising corporate strategies have failed to correct
- (C) in that several attempts at revising corporate strategies have failed to correct them
- (D) that several attempts to revise corporate strategies have failed to correct
- (E) that several attempts at revising corporate strategies have failed to correct them

The correct answer is D.

32. The root systems of most flowering perennials either become too crowded, which results in loss in vigor, and spread too far outward, producing a bare center.

- (A) which results in loss in vigor, and spread
- (B) resulting in loss in vigor, or spreading
- (C) with the result of loss of vigor, or spreading
- (D) resulting in loss of vigor, or spread
- (E) with a resulting loss of vigor, and spread

The correct answer is D.

33. Any medical test will sometimes fail to detect a condition when it is present and indicate that there is one when it is not.

- (A) a condition when it is present and indicate that there is one
- (B) when a condition is present and indicate that there is one
- (C) a condition when it is present and indicate that it is present
- (D) when a condition is present and indicate its presence
- (E) the presence of a condition when it is there and indicate its presence

The correct answer is C.

34. Downzoning, zoning that typically results in the reduction of housing density, allows for more open space in areas where little water or services exist.

- (A) little water or services exist
- (B) little water or services exists
- (C) few services and little water exists
- (D) there is little water or services available
- (E) there are few services and little available water

The correct answer is E.

## CRITICAL REASONING

35. If you drink beyond the permissible limits then your health benefits are lost and your health risks go up. The statement above logically conveys which of the following?

- A. Consuming more alcohol will be more beneficial for your health
- B. Your health benefits will be lost increasing your health risks if you drink more than the recommended quantity
- C. You can drink more than the allowed quantity and get more health benefits
- D. If you drink more you will get more health benefits and reduce the risks of harming your health
- E. You should not consume more alcoholic beverages because it will not be very beneficial

Correct answer: b

36. non-alcoholic contents of wine, such as flavanoids and resveratrol, serve as antioxidants that prevent the “free radicals” or the special type of molecules from damaging the vital body cells. The statement above would be weakened if it were true that

- A. The non-alcoholic contents of wine such as flavanoids and resveratrol do not act as anti-oxidants
- B. Flavanoids and resveratrol function as anti-oxidants and thus benefit the body
- C. Special type of molecules known as “free radicals” damage the cells in the body
- D. Wine also contains non-alcoholic chemicals along with the alcoholic chemicals
- E. Wine is very harmful if consumed in excess

Correct answer: a

37. Severe smoking can significantly damage the natural capability of the blood vessels to contract and relax. From which of the following can the statement above be most properly inferred?

- A. There are very harmful effects of severe smoking
- B. You should not smoke at all if you do not want to damage your blood vessels
- C. Our blood vessels have a natural capability to contract and relax which can be damaged to a great extent if you smoke at a high level
- D. In order to prevent any damage to your blood vessels and their natural ability, you should stop acute smoking
- E. The blood vessels have a natural ability to contract and relax

Correct answer: C

38. The geographic origin of the grapes as well as its type and its way of processing play an important role in deciding the nutritional value and the amount of antioxidants in it. The statement above logically conveys which of the following?

- A. The nutritional value and the antioxidant content of the grapes cannot be determined by its geographic origin
- B. You should consider number of factors in order to find out the quality of the grapes
- C. The quality and the anti-oxidant content of the grapes is decided not only by its geographic origin, but also to which type it belongs and how it is processed

- D. You should eat only well processed grapes because these grapes are rich in anti-oxidants
- E. There are a number of factors that decide the quality and the content of the anti-oxidants in the grapes

Correct answer: C

39. Some scientific researches have proposed that though the content of anti-oxidants in the whole grapes is same as that of grape juice and red wine, they provide the body with additional dietary fibre. From which of the following can the statement above be most properly inferred?

- A. The whole grapes deliver the same amount of antioxidants that are in grape juice and wine
- B. Consumption of whole grapes have the added benefit of providing the body with dietary fiber
- C. You should always prefer whole grapes over grape juice and red wine because whole grapes not only provide with the same amount of anti-oxidants just as the red wine and the grape juice does, but also provide us with dietary fibre
- D. Unlike the whole grapes, red wine and grape juice cannot provide the dietary fibre
- E. The whole grapes are more superior than red wine and grape juice because of the additional dietary fibre that it provides to the body

Correct answer: C

40. The discovery of a new drug is said to have the ability to predict the Alzheimer's disease before its development and hence the patients of this disease have got a new hope. The statement above logically conveys which of the following?

- A. The patients of Alzheimer's disease have been offered with a new hope with the discovery of a new drug with the ability to predict the condition before it develops
- B. The scientists have discovered a new drug for treating the patients of Alzheimer's disease
- C. It is the ability of the new drug to predict the disease before it gets developed
- D. The scientists can predict the disease by using the newly discovered drug
- E. Patients suffering from the Alzheimer's disease can now recover completely with the help of the new drug

Correct answer: A