

I 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 conveys the exact meaning in accordance with the correct grammatical rules.

1.

- A. They were talking so aloud that I had trouble concentrating on my work.
- B. They were talking so quietly that I had trouble concentrating on my work.
- C. They were talking so loud that I had trouble concentrating on my work.
- D. They were talking so loudly that I had trouble concentrating on my work.

2.

- A. We were late because we stopped to visit the town we left two years ago.
- B. We were late because of we stopped to visit the school we left six years ago.
- C. We were late because we stopped to visit the city we left six years before.
- D. We were late because of our stop to visit the church in which we were married three years before.

3. Which sentence includes an oxymoron?

- A. On holiday we walked and swam a lot.
- B. Sally corrected me by pointing out that she wanted tea instead of coffee.
- C. The newspaper reported a growing anger towards the Government's policies.
- D. He loved his aunt but found her kindness suffocating.

4.

- A. It is not let to smoke in the doctor's surgery.
- B. It is not permitted to smoke in the doctor's surgery.
- C. Surprisingly, it is permit to smoke in the doctor's surgery.
- D. It is not allowed to smoke in the doctor's surgery.

5.

- A. The newspaper agreed to report that next Wednesday the couple had been married for 20 years.
- B. The newspaper agreed to report that next Wednesday the couple will have been married for 20 years.
- C. The newspaper agreed to report that next Wednesday the couple will be married for 20 years.
- D. The newspaper agreed to report that next Wednesday the couple have been married for 20 years.

6.

- A. The whole of all Venice was very almost under water.
- B. All Venice was nearly practically under water.
- C. The whole of Venice was pretty well almost under water.
- D. All Venice was very nearly under water.

7.

- A. You can see on the map that France is above Spain and below Germany.
- B. You can see on the map that France is above Spain and under Germany.
- C. You can see on the map that France is over Spain and under Germany.
- D. You can see on the map that France is over Spain and below Germany.

8.

- A. We don't have to work over the weekend to meet the deadline as we arrived to work on Monday morning to discover that the client announced an extension to the project.
- B. We needn't have worked over the weekend to meet the deadline as this morning the client announced an extension to the project.
- C. We didn't need to work over the weekend to meet the deadline as on Monday morning the client announced an extension to the project.
- D. We mustn't work all weekend on the project as this morning the client announced an extension to the project.

1. D

2. A

3. D

4. B

5. B

6. D

7. A

8. B

II Sentence Completion

9. Is there a public call box near here? I have to _____ a phone call.

A) do B) make C) get D) hear

ANSWER-B

10. First she said "Yes", then she said "No", but in the end she _____ up her mind to marry him.

A) did B) made C) got D) said

ANSWER-B

11. When you're not sure what to do, the best thing is to _____ nothing,

A) do B) make C) get D) hear

ANSWER-A

12. Ssh! You mustn't _____ a noise. The baby's asleep.

A) do B) make C) get D) hear

ANSWER-B

13. My teacher says I must work harder, but I can't work any harder. I'm _____ my best.

A) doing B) trying C) making D) showing

ANSWER-A

14. We asked to see the manager and we _____ a complaint about the terrible service in the restaurant.

A) did B) made C) had D) heard

ANSWER-B

15. At first I found learning English very easy, but now I don't think I'm _____ any progress at all.

A) doing B) making C) showing D) getting

ANSWER-B

16. Could you _____ me a favor please? Could you give me a lift to the airport?

A) make B) do C) give D) want

ANSWER- B

III SENTENCE CORRECTION/IMPROVEMENT

Each of the sentence correction questions presents a sentence, part of or all of which is underlined. Beneath the sentence you will find five ways of phrasing the underlined part. The first of these repeats the original; the other four are different. Follow the requirements of standard written English to choose your answer, paying attention to grammar, word choice, and sentence construction. Select the answer that produces the most effective sentence; your answer should make the sentence clear, exact, and free of grammatical error. It should also minimize awkwardness, ambiguity, and redundancy.

17. The White House, meanwhile, has set up its own interagency panel that would look at how to protect consumers while also make United States companies more competitive internationally.

- A. that would look at how to protect consumers while also make
- B. that will look at the protection of consumers while also making
- C. for looking at how to protect consumers while also making
- D. that will look at how to protect consumers while also making
- E. for looking at protecting consumers and also making

Answer (OA) – D

18. The new proposal will encourage larger transparency about what data is being collected and how they will be used, and discourage the need for vaguely worded privacy or user notices.

- A. encourage larger transparency about what data is being collected and how they will be used, and discourages the need for vaguely worded
- B. encourage greater transparency regarding what data is being collected and how it will be used, but discourage the need of vaguely worded
- C. encourage greater transparency about what data is being collected and how it will be used, and discourage the need for vaguely worded
- D. encourage greater transparency on what data is being collected and how it will be used, and this will discourage the need for vaguely worded
- E. encourage greater transparency for what data is being collected and how it will be used, and discourages the need for vaguely worded

Answer (OA) – C

19. Zeno's paradoxes are a set of problems generally thought to have been devised by Zeno of Eleato support Parmenide's doctrine that "all is one" and that, contrary to the evidence of our senses, the belief in plurality and change is mistaken, and in particular that motion is nothing but an illusion.

- A. by Zeno of Elea to support Parmenide's doctrine that "all is one" and that, contrary to the evidence of our senses, the belief in plurality and change is mistaken, and in particular that motion
- B. from Zeno of Elea to support Parmenide's doctrine that "all is one" and contrary to the evidence of our senses, the belief in plurality and change is mistaken, and in particular that motion
- C. by Zeno of Elea supporting Parmenide's doctrine that "all is one" and that, contrary to the evidence of our senses, the belief in plurality and change was mistaken, and in particular motion

- D. of Zeno of Elea in an attempt to support Parmenides' doctrine that "all is one" and that, despite our senses giving evidence to the contrary, the belief in plurality and change is mistaken, and in particular that motion
- E. by Zeno of Elea for supporting Parmenides' doctrine that "all is one" and contrary to the evidence of our senses, the belief in plurality and change was mistaken, and in particular that motion

Answer (OA) – A

20. Credited as one of the founders of Western Philosophy, the author is an enigmatic figure known chiefly through the accounts of later classical writers and the plays of his contemporaries.

- A. Credited as one of the founders of Western Philosophy, the author is an enigmatic figure known chiefly through the accounts of later classical writers
- B. Credited with being one of the founders of Western Philosophy, the author's enigmatic figure is known chiefly through the accounts of later classical writers
- C. Credited to be one of the founders of Western Philosophy, the author is an enigmatic figure known chiefly through the account of later classical writers
- D. Credited with being one of the founders of Western Philosophy, the author is an enigmatic figure known chiefly through the accounts of later classical writers
- E. Credited as one of the founders of Western Philosophy, the author is an enigmatic figure known chiefly from the account of later classical writers

Answer (OA) – D

21. The prisoner's dilemma is a fundamental problem in game theory, which demonstrates why two people might not cooperate even if it is in both their best interests to do it.

- A. fundamental problem in game theory, which demonstrates why two people might not cooperate even if it is in both their best interests to do it

B. fundamental problem in game theory demonstrating why two people might

not cooperate even if it was both in their best interests to do so

C. problem fundamental to game theory that demonstrates why two people might not cooperate even if it is in both their best interests to do it

D. fundamental problem in game theory that demonstrates two people who might not cooperate even if it is in both their best interests to do it

E. fundamental problem in game theory that demonstrates why two people might not cooperate even if it is in both their best interests to do so

Answer (OA) – E

22. After its international debut, the progress of the Cube towards the toy shop shelves of the West was briefly halted so that it could be manufactured to Western safety and packaging specifications.

A. After its international debut, the progress of the Cube towards the toy shop shelves of the West was briefly halted so that it

B. Since its international debut, the progress of the Cube towards the toy shop shelves of the West had been briefly halted so that it

C. After its international debut, the progress of the Cube towards the toy shop shelves of the West was briefly halted so as to ensure that it

D. The cube's progress towards the toy shop shelves of the West was briefly halted after its international debut so that it

E. Since its international debut, the progress of the Cube towards the toy shop shelves of the West was briefly halted so that it

Answer (OA) – D

23. If the proposed expenditures for gathering information abroad are reduced even further, international news reports have been and will continue to diminish in number and quality.

- (A) have been and will continue to diminish
- (B) have and will continue to diminish
- (C) will continue to diminish, as they already did,
- (D) will continue to diminish, as they have already did,
- (E) will continue to diminish

The correct answer is E.

24. 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.

IV CRITICAL REASONING

25. Manuka honey is very good for our skin because of its antimicrobial and antiseptic properties to fight against spots and its ability to reduce the scarring and marks left by spots. From which of the following can the statement above be most properly inferred?

- A. Manuka honey is very good for our skin
- B. Because of the antimicrobial and antiseptic properties to fight against spots and the ability to reduce the scarring and marks left by spots, Manuka honey is considered to be very good for our skin
- C. The purpose of antimicrobial and antiseptic properties is to fight against spots
- D. Manuka honey has the property to reduce the scarring and marks left by the spots

- E. Reduce the scarring and marks left by spots is one of the many properties of Manuka honey

Correct answer: b

26. If you wish to have a good skin tone and texture then you should always go for an anti-ageing foundation which is water based and not oil based since it is lighter and also has a high moisturizing content and SPF. The argument above would be weakened if it were true that

- A. Oil based foundations are heavier as compared to the water based foundations
- B. Water based foundations are heavier as compared to the oil based foundations
- C. Oil based anti ageing foundations hamper the tone and texture of the skin
- D. The anti ageing foundations should not only be water based but, they should also have a high moisturizing content and SPF
- E. For good skin tone and texture, select such anti ageing foundation which is not only water based but also has a high moisturizing content and SPF

Correct answer: b

27. An anti-ageing primer with SPF not only provides with a smooth finish, but it also easy to apply and serves as a very good base for make-up and also protects your skin from any side effects. Which of the following, if true, identifies the greatest flaw in the reasoning above?

- A. Using an anti-ageing primer with SPF gives a smoother finish to your skin
- B. Good anti-ageing primer makes for an effortless make-up application and also protects your skin, since it requires little blending
- C. Anti-ageing primer with SPF does not blend easily on the skin and cause spots and marks on the skin
- D. Before applying any make-up if you apply a moisturizer with SPF then it will protect your skin from the side effects of the cosmetics

- E. Applying an anti-ageing primer with SPF can provide you with a very good base for any type of make-up

Correct answer: c

28. The best way for application of a concealer is to gently drive the product in by patting it into the skin with the help of fingers until it blends in smoothly. Which of the following would reveal most clearly the absurdity of the conclusion drawn above?

- A. Well applied concealer gives your skin a very good and even tone and texture
- B. If you don't apply the concealer with your fingers, it will leave with an uneven and patchy look
- C. If you make use of fingers for applying the concealer it gives a smooth and even finish to your make-up
- D. The best way to apply concealer is to pat it gently with your fingers and cover the spots and patches
- E. If you pat the concealer with the help of fingers it spreads very easily and gives a smooth finish

Correct answer: b

29. You should clearly understand the food habits which are responsible for causing diabetes since, the beginning of the disease can be prevented if we consume proper type of food. From which of the following can the statement above be most properly inferred?

- A. You can avoid the development of diabetes by having a sound knowledge of good food and correcting your food habits
- B. You should have a proper knowledge regarding the good and the bad food habits
- C. If you are aware of the fact that diabetes can be prevented by correcting the food habits then you can easily change your diet
- D. If you want to prevent the proper level of sugar in the blood then you should change and correct your bad habits
- E. You should avoid those food stuffs that can cause diabetes

Correct answer: a

30. Though the medical aids such as drugs and hormone supplement injections are often critical for managing cases where diabetes seems to have turned into an incurable condition, it is always better to seek natural cures.

The argument above assumes that

- A. Natural cures are always better than using medical treatments like the drugs and injections of insulin for curing diabetes when it has turned into incurable condition
- B. When diabetes reaches to an incurable level you should go for medical aids such as drugs and insulin injections
- C. Medicines and drugs are used for curing the incurable diabetes when all the natural treatments have failed
- D. When medical aids fail to cure diabetes you should go for the natural cures
- E. It is always better to seek natural cures

Correct answer: a

V READING COMPREHENSION

PASSAGE 1

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below by choosing the most appropriate options of all.

Time management refers to a set of skills, principles, tools, and practices that work together and assist you in getting more value out of your time and improve the way you live your life. Time management also refers to the different ways that are used for planning and exercising proper control over the amount of time that is spent on number of activities with the aim of increasing efficiency, effectiveness, performance and productivity.

Time management does not necessarily mean that you should do more work in less time; rather it means how much of the important work you get done in the time that you have. There are a number of techniques that you can use for managing time while performing tasks within the specified intervals of time.

The steps that you can follow for achieving proper time management include writing

down the tasks that you have to perform, prioritizing the list of tasks, planning your work according to your time schedule. You must always think properly before initiating with any project or work. This will greatly help you in avoiding wastage of time on unnecessary things. Find out the resources that can help you to fulfill the task in less time and more effectively.

There was a time management categorization scheme that was introduced by Stephen R. Covey for categorizing the hundreds of approaches that were used for time management from one generation to other. This categorization scheme is explained as follows:

The first generation approaches consisted of the watch and clock based reminders, which were used to alert people about the time when a task is to be done.

The second generation approaches consisted of the use of calendar and notepads for scheduling the appointments as well as planning and preparing for the work. Setting of goals was also included in this approach.

The third generation time management activities included planning and prioritizing of the tasks to have a control over them. These activities were carried out with the help of gadgets such as computers or PDA-based systems. Personal organizers and paper based objects were also used for prioritizing work activities daily.

The fourth generation time management approaches favored importance as compared to the urgency. Here, the duties that were more important were performed first instead of those that were very urgent but not important. All you need is dedication and practice in order to master the art of time management.

Questions:

31. Who introduced the time management categorization scheme for categorizing the hundreds of approaches that were used for time management?

- A. Stephen R. Covey
- B. Albert Einstein
- C. Graham Bell
- D. Isaac Newton
- E. None of the above

Correct answer: a

32. The fourth generation time management approaches were based on which of the following principle?

- a. Alarm clocks
- b. Computers and PDA based systems
- c. Appointment books and personal organizers
- d. Importance over urgency
- e. All of the above

Correct answer: d

33. Which of the following scheme used watch and clock based reminders for time management?

- a. First generation
- b. Second generation
- c. Third generation
- d. Fourth generation
- e. Fifth generation

Correct answer: a

34. Fill in the blank by choosing the most appropriate option of the following choices. Time management does not necessarily mean that you should do _____ ? ?

- a. less work in less time
- b. less work in more time
- c. more work in less time
- d. more work in more time
- e. none of the above

Correct answer: c

35. What are the qualities required in order to master the art of time management?

- a. Dedication
- b. Practice
- c. Independence
- d. Both a and b
- e. Both b and c

Correct answer: d

PASSAGE 2

Read the passage properly and then choose the best option to answer the questions based on the information contained in the passage.

The term Ice cream has been derived from the term iced cream or cream ice. Ice-cream is basically a frozen dessert that is usually prepared from dairy products. The major dairy products used for making ice cream are milk and cream. These products along with other products such as fruits, various essence and other flavors are used to make ice creams having different flavors and tastes. Nuts such as almonds, cashew nuts, hazelnuts and walnuts are popularly used for adding a different and rich flavor to the ice cream.

Though major varieties of ice creams are made using sugar; some of them also contain sweeteners for giving a sweet taste to the ice cream. In addition to the natural ingredients artificial flavors and colors can also be used for making different types of ice creams.

First of all, you slowly stir the mixture of the ingredients of your choice while cooling it. This is done to prevent the formation of large crystals of ice in the ice cream and incorporate air in to the mixture. The outcome of this procedure is smooth textured foam which is in a semi-solid state. You can scoop this foam as it is malleable.

The phrase "ice cream" has different meanings at different places. For instance, "frozen custard", "sorbet", "gelato", "frozen yogurt" and many other phrases are used to differentiate the different varieties and styles of ice creams at different places all over the world. Also, the commercial use of the phrase "ice cream" depends on the relative quantities of the main ingredients used for making the same. In countries, such as the United States of America, the phrase "ice cream" is applicable to some specific varieties only.

In countries, such as Argentina Italy and, you can use it for all the variants of ice creams. For those people who are allergic to dairy protein or have some other medical constraints, there are ice creams made from dairy alternatives which include milk of goat's or sheep's or even milk substitutes.

Vanilla and chocolate are some of the most popular and most demanded flavors of ice cream all over the world.

The first ice cream made was a combination of snow, nectar, fruit pulp and honey. The credit for this type of ice cream was given to Emperor Nero of Rome. He sent this frozen dessert to his slaves into the mountains to get back.

Governor Bladen of Maryland then served ice cream to his guests in the year 1700. In 1776, the first ice cream parlor was opened in America in the New York City. Jacob Fussell established the first commercial ice cream plant in Baltimore in 1851.

Questions:

36. What are the major dairy products used for making ice creams?

- A. Milk
- B. Cream
- C. Nuts
- D. Both a and b
- E. None of the above

Correct answer: d

37. Who served ice cream to his guests in the year 1700?

- a. Governor Bladen of Maryland
- b. Jacob Fussell
- c. Emperor Nero of Rome
- d. Nancy Johnson
- e. Robert M. Green

Correct answer: a

38. The first ice cream made was a combination of snow, nectar, fruit pulp and _____?

- a. Chocolates
- b. Nuts
- c. Honey
- d. Almonds
- e. Vanilla

Correct answer: c

39. The first ice cream parlor was opened in America in the New York City in which year?

- A. 1700
- B. 1776
- C. 1843
- D. 1904
- E. 1847

Correct answer: b

40. Jacob Fussell established the first commercial ice cream plant in which city?

- A. New York city
- B. Argentina
- C. America
- D. Italy
- E. Baltimore

Correct answer: E