

QUANTMASTERS
TCS NQT 2021 Solutions to Verbal Ability
Slot 2 1PM - 4PM
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S-2:

S-3:

S-4: They were similar in size, small and durable

P. Although they may seem a pretty random choice the shells had a number of advantages

Q. A notable example is cowrie shells first used as money about 1200 BCE

R. Counterfeiting dates to the invention of money.

A.QP

B.RQ

C.PQ

D.PR

Answer: Option A

Q2. As it was his first job, Abhishek threw himself _____ it _____ a lot of enthusiasm.

A. Into,with

B. At,with

C. Across,in

D. Over,from

Answer: Option A

Q3. Since sunrise to sunset my grandmother would sit by her wheel spinning and reciting prayers.

A. No error

B. My grandmother would sit by her wheel

C. Spinning and reciting prayers

D. Since sunrise to sunset

Answer: Option D

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S-1: Eight months ago, it was business as usual at the cafe.

S-2:

S-3:

S-4: I checked the miniature circuit breaker and realized it had tripped:

P: Around six in the evening there was fluctuation and the lights went off.

Q: I pulled the miniature circuit breaker switch back and it was fine again.

R: The days were warm and so the air conditioners were in full force.

A. RP

B. QR

C. PQ

D. RQ

Answer: Option A

Q5. The Candidate _____ certificates the office could not verify were not permitted to appear before the interview board.

A. Whom

B. Whose

C. Who

D. Which

Answer: Option B

Q6 - Q8 Read the passage given below and answer questions.

It's apparently humankind's fate never to stop writing the history of pandemics. No matter how often they occur—and they do occur with great frequency—we collectively refuse to think about them until circumstances demand it. Then, when the immediate crisis passes, we put it out of our minds as quickly as possible. And so we again are unprepared when the next contagion—in this case, COVID-19—bursts upon us. Richard Conniff traces this alarming cycle in

“How devastating pandemics change us,” this month's cover story. It examines our long relationship with infectious diseases, from the hard lessons we've been forced to learn to the brave, and often difficult, characters who've risked their lives to save us.

Smallpox taught us that we could prevent disease through inoculation and, as the 1700s ended,

vaccination. By the mid-1800s, cholera's lesson was about sanitation and the need for centralized water and sewer systems. About the same time, one man we've all heard of, Louis Pasteur, and one many of us haven't, Robert Koch, became the co-fathers of germ theory. Tools they created are still used to identify and fight what Conniff calls "an astonishing rogues' gallery of deadly pathogens."

And yet here we are, again, fighting on two fronts: the first, against a new coronavirus sweeping the planet to devastating effect; the second, with each other, over domestic and international politics and whether we're willing to pay the price of prevention.

It's an important question for our planet. While we debate, the next pandemic draws nearer.

Q6. Which statement is CORRECT according to the passage?

- A. Research about vaccines is not reliable
- B. All pandemics are not to be feared
- C. Pandemics keep occurring periodically
- D. There is no solution for a pandemic

Answer: Option C

Q7. In the fourth paragraph which pandemic is the author referring?

- A. An unknown one
- B. Small pox
- C. COVID-19
- D. Cholera

Answer: Option A

Q8. What does the writer imply that we should do?

- A. Be vigilant about hygiene and health issues.
- B. Wear masks when we step out of our homes.
- C. Wash our hands and everything we touch carefully.
- D. Maintain social distancing and avoid public gatherings.

Answer: Option A

Q9. The part of the sentence below may contain a grammatical error. Identify the part.

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Answer: Option A

Q10. Select the most appropriate option to complete the sentence.

It was _____ a new experience for me to attend a Zoom meeting so I planned for it _____.

- A. reasonably, basically
- B. quite, carefully
- C. really, terribly
- D. surely, gently

Answer: Option B

Q11. The following sentence pair can be combined into a single sentence. Choose the sentence that best combines the two sentences without changing the meaning.

Nikhil researched the topic well. He was able to do his Viva Voce well.

- A. Nikhil researched the topic well unless he was able to do his Viva Voce well.
- B. Nikhil was able to do his Viva Voce well despite he researched the topic well.
- C. Nikhil researched the topic well therefore he was able to do his Viva Voce well.
- D. Nikhil was able to do his Viva Voce well although he researched the topic well.

Answer: Option C

Q12. Which one of the following sentences uses formal language?

- A. This presentation takes the cake!
- B. Shall we put this on our agenda for the next client week?
- C. I apologize for the technical glitch that occurred during our webinar yesterday.
- D. I'm disappointed with the sales figures, they need to look up!

Answer: Option C



Total number of question : 10
 Test duration (min) : 10 min
 Correct attempt (mark) : 1
 Wrong attempt (mark) : Nil

VERBAL ABILITY

Questions 1 to 2

In the following sentences, there may be some errors in the parts which are marked as A, B, C, D. Identify the part which has errors.

1. Raji found it difficult (A)/ to manage single-handedly the three children (B)/ who were always quarrelling (C)/ between themselves. (D)

- a. A b. B c. C d. D

Answer: D

Explanation:

Correction: Raji found it difficult to manage single-handedly the three children who were always quarrelling among themselves.

As there are three children, 'among' is the suitable word to use instead of between.

2. Fluosol is a transparency liquid (A)/ that closely resembles water (B)/ but in fact is twice (C)/ as dense as it is. (D)

- a. A b. B c. C d. D

Answer: A

Explanation:

Correction: Fluosol is a transparent liquid that closely resembles water but in fact is twice as dense as it is. 'Transparency' is a noun and transparent is its adjective form. The adjective must be used in order to describe anything.

Question 3

Choose the most appropriate sentence which can replace the 'Underlined' sentence.

3. Moule's review served as a welcome encouragement to the author: Hardy set to work with renewed vigor and finished the serial ahead of time.

- a. served as a welcome encouragement to the author: Hardy
 b. served a welcome encouragement to Hardy, and the author
 c. was welcome as an encouragement to Hardy, the author
 d. was a welcome encouragement to the author, Hardy

Answer: D

Explanation:

The sentence is fine as it is. All the other options are all incorrect because they contain the 'comma splice' error – you cannot join two complete sentences with only a comma, you need a conjunction or a colon or semicolon. The expression 'served a welcome' is unidiomatic; 'served as' is correct in this case.

Question 4

For each sentence, choose the most appropriate option that best completes the given sentence.

4. Hawkins is ____ in his field; no other contemporary scientist commands the same respect.

- a. preeminent b. ignominious
 c. obsolete d. Anachronistic

Answer: A

Explanation:

The part after the semicolon tells us that Hawkins is highly respected. Hence, the only suitable word is

preeminent. (All the others have negative connotations.)

(Disparaged = criticized; ignominious = shameful; obsolete = outdated; anachronistic = in the wrong time period; preeminent = foremost, famous)

Question 5

Choose the most logical order of sentences among the given choices to construct a coherent paragraph.

5. A. Often we are prone to assume that all families are like the ones we live in.
 B. No other social institution appears more universal and unchanging.
 C. Sociology and social anthropology have over many decades conducted field research across cultures to show how the institutions of family, marriage and kinship are important in all societies and yet their character is different in different societies.
 D. Perhaps no other social entity appears more 'natural' than the family.

a. DABC b. ABCD c. BACD d. DACB

Answer: A

Explanation:

The sequence DABC is the most meaningful sequence from among the options.

Question 6

In each of the questions given below from the given options select the word which is closest in meaning to the word given in the question.

6. Bairn
 a. Adult b. Child c. Senior d. Sophomore

Answer: B

Explanation:

Bairn - A child: son or daughter

Question 7

In each of the questions given below from the given options select the word which is farthest in meaning to the word given in the question.

7. Culpable
 a. inefable b. Incriminated c. innocent d. Indignant

Answer: C

Explanation:

The word culpable means deserving of blame. A thief is culpable for the crime of robbery or theft. The opposite of culpable is blameless or not deserving of

blame. Because innocent means guiltless or not deserving of blame, 'innocent' is the answer.

'Ineffable' means unutterable or inexpressible. This is not the opposite of culpable.

'Incriminated' means accused. This is not the opposite of culpable.

'Indignant' means angry at a perceived injustice.

Question 8

Select the lettered pair that best expresses a relationship similar to that expressed by the original pair.

8. DOMINO: MASQUERADE::

- a. tango : dance b. violin : concert
 c. tuxedo : prom d. taxi : limousine

Answer: C

Explanation:

One meaning of domino is a mask or a masked costume worn to a masquerade. The tuxedo is the proper prom costume.

Question 9

Choose the most appropriate sentence which can replace the 'Underlined' phrase.

9. Traffic was really slow on the freeway this morning because of a fender-bender in one of the westbound lanes.
 a. congested traffic b. automobile accident
 c. police surveillance d. divider damage

Answer: B

Explanation:

The phrase 'fender-bender' refers to an automobile accident.

Question 10

Directions for questions: Choose the most logical fit for each blank.

10. Kalyan found it hard to _____ himself from the problem he had created by producing fake documents.
 a. Extricate b. Abstain c. Alienate d. Estrange

Answer: A

Explanation:

Option "Extricate":

Rebuke – Criticise

One would never 'rebuke oneself from something'; one would always 'rebuke oneself for something'

Option "Abstain": One would never 'engulf oneself from something'; 'one would always engulf oneself in something'.

Options "Alienate" vs. "Estrange":

Oust – Expel

Extricate – Remove

When using 'oust', one would never use the expression 'ousting himself'.

E.g. sentence: Saddam Hussein was ousted from the post of Iraqi President.

Thus Option "Extricate" is the perfect fit.



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- 2) every
- 3) changing
- 4) the
- 5) are
- 6) and
- 7) allows
- 8) foster
- 9) but
- 10) on

3: Rainforests 1) _____ a wide variety of ecosystems services, from regulating rainfall to purifying groundwater and keeping fertile soil from 2) _____; deforestation in one area can seriously damage food production and 3) _____ to clean water in an entire region. The value of global ecosystem services 4) _____ estimated at 33 trillion USD each year (almost half of global GDP), 5) _____ these services have been taken for granted without a mechanism to make the market reflect their value. Rainforests are also a home and 6) _____ of income for a huge number of people in Africa, Asia and South America. 7) _____ this, economic pressures frequently drive both local communities 8) _____ national governments in the developing world to 9) _____ these forests in ways that are unsustainable, clear-cutting vast areas 10) _____ fuel, timber, mining or agricultural land.

- 1) offer
- 2) decoding
- 3) access
- 4) has been
- 5) but
- 6) source
- 7) despite

- 8) and
- 9) exploit
- 10) for

4. The passenger car sales showed a decline _____ 7% to 5.6%

- A. of
- B. to
- C. from
- D. for

Answer: Option C

To show the range the preposition pair is 'from....to'.

DIRECTION for question 5: In the sentence provided different ways of writing a sentence are indicated. Choose the best way of writing the sentence that is grammatically correct.

5. The vivid photos of majestic animals and colourful birds form the wild-life park is a graphic depiction of what is beautiful in the continent of Africa. A. is a graphic depiction of what was beautiful in
- B. are graphic depictions of what is beautiful in
 - C. is a beautiful and graphic depiction of
 - D. No improvement.

DIRECTIONS for questions 6 to 10: Read the passage and answer the question based on it.

"Many people who are looking to get a pet dog get a puppy. There are many reasons why people get puppies. After all, puppies are cute, friendly, and playful. But even though puppies make good pets, there are good reason why you should consider getting an adult dog instead. When you get a puppy, you have to teach it how to behave. You have to make sure that the puppy is housebroken so that it does not got to the bathroom inside the

house. You have to teach the puppy not to jump up on your guests or chew on your shoes. You have to train the puppy to walk on a leash. This is a lot of work. On the other hand, when you get an adult dog, there is a good chance that it will already know how to do all of the previously mentioned things. Many adult dogs have already been housebroken. Many adult dogs will not jump on or chew things that you do not want them to jump on or chew. Many adult dogs will be able to walk on a leash without pulling you to the other side of the street. Puppies also have a lot of energy and want to play all of the time. This can be fun, but you might not want to play as much as your puppy does. Puppies will not always sleep through the night or let you relax as you watch television. On the other hand, most adult dogs will wait on you to play. What is more, they will sleep when you are <https://www.freshersnow.com/placement-papers-download/> sleeping and are happy to watch television on the couch right beside you. There is one last reason why you should get an adult dog instead of a puppy. When most people go to the pound to get a dog, they get a puppy. This means that many adult dogs spend a lot of time in the pound, and some never find good homes. So if you are looking to get a dog for a pet, you should think about getting an adult dog. They are good pets who need good homes.

6.The passage speaks of

- A. How puppies do not make good pets.
- B. How puppies can be very destructive
- C. The work involved in training puppies
- D.The immature acts of puppies

Answer: Option A

Author has given this in the first paragraph itself and after that he has explained that why should we get a dog instead of a puppy

7.Which is the best example of a dog that is housebroken?

- A. Rex always breaks things inside the house
- B. Rover never jumps on guests

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- C. Muffin chews on peoples shoes
- D. Spot goes outside to use the bathroom

Answer: Option D

'housebroken' means one has to train the dog to not to excrete at improper place so option D is the case in point.

8. The author apparently thinks that puppies are

- A. Friendly and playful
- B. Not as cute as adult dogs
- C. Not as playful as adult dogs
- D. Hardworking

Answer: Option A

clearly mentioned in the first few lines of the passage

9. Which is the best synonym for 'behave' as applicable to this passage?

- A. Understand
- B. Train
- C. Act
- D. Listen

Answer: Option C

the author says that one has to train a puppy 'how to behave' implies 'how to act'

10. The author begins paragraphs 2 and 4 with the phrase, "On the other hand". This phrase is used to

- A. Contradict previous information
- B. Contradict a later statement
- C. support the following paragraph
- D. Highlight an example

Answer: Option A

on the other hand' means 'contrast the previous statement by giving

examples/ arguments.

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