

# XC9161-Technical English

- Match the words in column 'A' with their meanings in column B

A	B
Mysterious	A bet
Creek	Difficult to explain or understand
Wager	In a state of rest
Incritical	Small river or stream

- Change the voice for the following sentences:
  - living things often display senses which are not familiar
  - bees can use their cyces to follow the sun's rays
- fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions
  - we think \_\_\_ communication in terms \_\_\_ words and sentences, but this is not the only way \_\_\_ which the human beings communicate. Some \_\_\_ replace speech and some supplement speech.
- Write sentences expressing purpose as per the given example
  - eg. A thermometer – measure temperature. Ans: the purpose of the thermometer is to measure temperature.
  - Tachometer – speed of revolutions
  - hydrometer – density of fluids
- write suitable advertisement in about 25 words for a new model of refrigerator. Given a suitable brand and name for the product
- write a letter of application with CV responding to the following advertisement
  - we are a major MNC in the IT sector, looking to appoint fresh graduates or post graduates for various positions in our firm. People with specialization in Programming or Design will be preferred. Salary will not be a constraint for the right candidate. Apply in confidence to the Manager, HR- MNC inc. Sending your applications to the following mail id: [hr\\_pers@mnc.com](mailto:hr_pers@mnc.com)
- write in about 200 words your opinion on the following statement. “Technology has in the last 2 years only served to increase the division between the haves and the have-nots.”
- match the word in column A with their meanings in column B

A	B
Therapeutic	Usual activity
Privations	Causing to feel healthier
Decorated	Lack of basic things
Customary	Honored with a medal

- Correct the following sentences with regard to grammar
  - Tendulkar is Bradman of the modern era
  - tendulkar practiced hard to achieve his current status
- write checklist of 4 items to remind you of things to be done when you are planning a visit to the library
- convert the following words into adjectives and use the adjectives in your own sentences
  - periphery
  - specify
- combine the 2 pairs of sentences using the intensifiers “so” for one and “too” for the second
  - the bus was crowded. we would not get a seat

2. He was busy. He could not meet anybody
13. Read the following passage and answer the qs based on it.
14. Write an investigative report for the following accident.
15. Match the words with their meanings

A	B
Simulated	Official permission
Compliance	Large
Mandate	Acting according to rules
Substantial	Made to look and feel real

16. Give the other forms of the words

Verbs	Noun	Adjective
Specify	----	----
----	Instruction	---
---	---	Predictive
---	Creation	---

17. Using the prefixes make words : eg. Super – supersonic

1. hyper
2. infra
3. ultra
4. hypo

18. correct the grammatical error in the following sentences

1. it is widely accepted that Japanese are highly talented
2. I graduated from Madras University

19. Use these expressions in sentences of your own

1. tip of the iceberg
2. turn the tables on

20. re-arrange the following sentences to form a logically coherent paragraph

21. write in about 200 words a couple of paragraphs stating why you feel that pre-employment training programmes will help one to perform better in industry.

22. Match the words with their meanings

A	B
Dissemination	To gather or organize things or people
Anticipate	Making something less harmful or unpleasant
Gigantic	Of many different types
Marshal	Spreading or giving news
Mitigation	Extremely large
Statutory	To imagine and expect something to happen
Criterion	Required by law
Multifarious	Standard by which something is judged

23. Fill in the blanks with appropriate form of the words:

Verb	Noun	Adjectives
Depend	---	---
---	Stimulation	---

Develop	---	---
---	---	beautiful

24. Rewrite the following numerical expressions as adjectives
  1. a journey of a thousand miles
  2. a family of two children
  3. a team of eleven players
  4. an army of five men
25. fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions
26. rewrite the given sentences in passive voice
  1. catalytic converters can be used for developing cleaner combustion chambers
  2. the internet makes it possible for us to contact people on a real time basis
27. use the following prefixes to form words
  1. hyper-
  2. infra-
  3. sub-
  4. super-
  5. hypo-
  6. bio-
  7. geo-
  8. contra-
28. complete the following sentences to make proper sense
  1. If I had a bicycle \_\_\_\_\_
  2. If I'd had an opportunity \_\_\_\_\_
29. correct the grammatical errors in the following sentences
  1. the army have been on the alert and they have managed to avert the disaster
  2. Ram told that he would take us to a movie
30. fill in the blanks with the correct letters to identify the word whose meaning is given
  1. killing of a humanbeing : h\_m\_c\_d\_
  2. systematic : m\_ti\_ul\_\_s
  3. hard working : in\_u\_tr\_ous
  4. out of his world of imaginative : f\_b\_l\_\_s
31. Rewrite in reported speech
32.
  1. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow
33. write a letter of application responding to the following notification
34.
  1. write a checklist containing a minimum of eight items to help you in the organizing of the inaugural ceremony of a departmental function
  2. write a set of recommendations (min. 8) for a friend who is to make a presentation of a technical paper in a seminar
35.
  1. Write a short essay in about 250 words regarding the need for technological research in the field of disaster management
  2. write a short essay in about 250 words giving your impression to this statement of Alvin Toffler: "The literature of the 21'st century will not be those who cannot read and write but those who cannot learn, unlearn and relearn"