

Verbal Logic - 5



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Number of Questions : **35**

Test Drive

Time Limit

5 Minutes

Directions for questions 1 to 8: Guess the word.
(Question type - IIFT 2017)

1. SOTIDAYP
Clue: It's your nightmare come true!
2. REECMTHI
Clue: Waterproof
3. SOBOLMS
Clue: Spring time
4. DMAAERUTB
Clue: To represent something in an outline
5. XAERELCBE
Clue: The men who abuse their power to dominate women are ____!!!
6. ORENTVA
Clue: The annual Diwali clean-up work!
7. MENRMATDIAS
Clue: Abolishing weapons
8. LILISBACT
Clue: Think of projectiles or their flight.

Para Jumble

Para Jumbles have made their presence felt in CAT and other entrance examinations almost every year. A good reader always has an advantage in solving Para Jumble questions. Apart from reading, a good understanding of logic helps one to be at ease with Para Jumble questions. By the end of this exercise you would be familiar with various kinds of Para Jumble questions and approaches to solve them.

Since 2012, there have been three types of Para Jumble questions in B-School entrance exams:

- Para Jumble - MCQ based – With options, Comes in Non-CAT entrance exams like IIFT, SNAP, MICAT, XAT etc.
- Para Jumble – Subjective - Without options, Comes in CAT
- Para Jumble – Odd sentence - Find the sentence that doesn't belong to the paragraph, Comes in CAT

Some trends in Para Jumble questions:

- CAT 2007 – CAT introduced a new type of question this year. In this type of question, there were five jumbled sentences out of which the first sentence was placed correctly in its place. The remaining sentences had been jumbled up by the examiner to be rearranged in the correct logical order by the candidate.
- CAT 2012 – CAT introduced the "Find the odd sentence in the paragraph" question.
- CAT 2015: CAT introduced the "Para Jumble – Subjective or Non-MCQ" type question. It carries no negative penalty and students are

to type the correct sequence in the box provided below the question on screen.

How to solve Para Jumble questions:

- Skim through the sentences.
- Focus on finding clue words.
- Don't obsess over the options.
- It is better to find one or two mandatory pairs and then look at the options.
- Always cross check your answer to be certain.
- Remember that Grammar based clues are always more trustworthy than Theme based clues.

Types of Para Jumbles – MCQ based:

Various types of Para Jumbles have appeared in CAT and other management entrance examinations. The most common types are:

Four sentence Para Jumbles

Directions for questions 9 and 10: In each of the following questions, four sentences have been jumbled up. These sentences need to be arranged in a coherent manner to create a meaningful paragraph. Choose the appropriate option as your answer.

9. A. However, any student who attends core psychology lectures and tutorials and does the assigned reading should have no difficulty with statistics.
B. This news may cause anxiety among new students.
C. The most important thing is to avoid developing a fear of the subject in advance.
D. Statistics are widely used in psychology and courses in statistics are a part of every psychology degree.
- (1) DCAB (2) DBAC
(3) CBAD (4) CABD
10. A. The privatization of religion and tradition and its expulsion from the secular space of state, democratic politics, and civil society is a cornerstone of definitions of modernity.

- B. It is this understanding of the religious and the secular, the modern and the non-modern, that has underwritten the dominant understanding of the Hindu caste system as decidedly “not modern” within the anthropology of South Asia.
C. Early anthropological studies of caste in India have usually studied it as a form of “tradition” and / or “religion”.
D. Given the deconstruction of anthropological theories of caste through a historical anthropology of its formations within colonial modernity, how are we to anthropologically apprehend caste in contemporary, post-colonial India?

(1) CABD

(2) CDBA

(3) ACBD

(4) ABDC

Five sentence Para Jumbles

Directions for questions 11 and 12: In each of the following questions, five sentences have been given. The first sentence or the last sentence is at its correct place and the remaining four sentences have been jumbled. These sentences need to be arranged in a coherent manner to create a meaningful paragraph. Choose the appropriate option as your answer.

(IIFT, 2015)

11. S1: The beginning of the universe had, of course, been discussed for a long time.
P. One argument of such a beginning was the feeling that it was necessary to have a first cause to explain the existence of the universe.
Q. He pointed out that civilization is progressing and we remember who performed this deed or developed that technique.
R. According to a number of early cosmologies in the Jewish/Christian/Muslim tradition, the universe started at a finite and not very distant time in the past.
S. Another argument was put forward by St. Augustine in his book, The City of God.
- (1) QRSP (2) RPSQ
(3) PSQR (4) SQPR

12. A. There is no convincing evidence that any Harappan city was ever burned, severely flooded, besieged by an army, or taken over by force from within.
 B. This would have hampered the local agricultural economy and the civilization's importance as a center of trade.
 C. It's more likely that the cities collapsed after natural disasters or after rivers like Indus and Ghaghra-Hakkar changed their course.
 D. Archaeologists have long wondered about the sudden decline of the Indus Valley civilization.
- S5. The continuing excavations and anthropological work have the potential to lend more insight into the disappearance of this enigmatic civilization.

- (1) CADB (2) ABDC
 (3) BADC (4) DACB

Directions for questions 13 and 14: In each of the following questions, five sentences have been jumbled up. These sentences need to be arranged in a coherent manner to create a meaningful paragraph. Choose the appropriate option as your answer.

13. A. The government has made elementary education for the children in the age range 4-14 years compulsory and free of cost.
 B. In this, children are given free education with one time meal. Added to this government has also taken steps in imparting computer education in the primary levels.
 C. The Indian government has established the University Grants Commission (UGC) for promoting and accelerating the education system in India.
 D. For the primary education, the government has also taken a few steps.
 E. This commission functions mainly for the upliftment and betterment of higher education in India.

- (1) DECBA (2) BCDAE
 (3) CDEBA (4) CEDAB

14. A. Manasseh's son Amon continued in his father's depravity, but he soon was murdered.
 B. Many did not follow Josiah's example, however, and the prophet Zephaniah foretold disaster for the nation.
 C. His successor Josiah (about 640-609 B.C.) restored traditional covenant religion, which was based on the Book of the Law newly discovered in a Temple storeroom.
 D. The nation never fully recovered from the effects of this evil king.
 E. Revival came during the reign of Hezekiah but it was immediately swept aside by his son Manasseh, who was Judah's most wicked and longest ruling king.

- (1) BACDE (2) EDACB
 (3) BCDAE (4) EBCAD

Six sentence Para Jumbles

Directions for questions 15 and 16: In each of the following questions, six sentences have been given. The first sentence and the last sentences are at their correct places and the remaining four sentences have been jumbled. These sentences need to be arranged in a coherent manner to create a meaningful paragraph. Choose the appropriate option as your answer.

15. S1: PIMCO's former CEO Mohammed Erian in his new book *Central banking: The only game in town*, highlights how a deluge of central bank debt purchases has heralded an unprecedented era of frothy asset prices and introduced systemic risks.
 A. Financial markets are manifestation of the rule that asset prices can remain detached from underlying economic fundamentals for long periods.
 B. While India has managed to better most of its emerging market peers, doubts linger about the government's ability to tread on the path of fiscal prudence.

C. With China showing definitive signs of slowdown, the risk-off mode of global portfolio investors has already seen trillions of dollars exiting emerging economies.

D. While this has happened because the political establishment has largely skirted responsibility, near-zero interest rates have led to competitive currency devaluation in the developed and emerging markets alike, and led to profoundly volatile exchange markets.

S6: The principle of 'reversion-to-mean' has been statistically discredited.

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| (1) DBCA | (2) DCBA |
| (3) DBAC | (4) DABC |

16. S1: Where a piano note is too low for the violin, it leaps into a higher octave.

A. Now, if it were a viola...but it has been years since I played the viola.

B. What I lost there I have never come near to retrieving.

C. As it is, it is playing the songline an octave above its script.

D. The last time was when I was a student in Vienna ten years ago.

S6: Love or no love, I could not continue in that city.

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| (1) BDAC | (2) BACD |
| (3) CADB | (4) CBAD |

Directions for questions 17 and 18: In each of the following questions, six sentences have been given and these sentences are jumbled. These sentences need to be arranged in a coherent manner to create a meaningful paragraph. Choose the appropriate option as your answer.

(SNAP, 2016, MB)

17. A. The subsidy transmission will take a couple of quarters more, the scheme, industry experts say will work because it has come when the sector is recovering and needs an impetus push for rapid growth.

B. This is expected to lead to an increase of exports by \$30 billion and attract investments of Rs. 74,000 crore in three years.

C. The special package in June 2016 allocated Rs. 6,000 crore to the textiles garments sector, which provides tax and production incentives.

D. However, manufacturers haven't begun increasing hiring and production as they need further clarity, before they make further investments and hire more employees, which the government is addressing.

E. "All these measures have a lead time. So, we are expecting huge growth in exports and further growth from January 2017," said Gupta.

F. Besides, the government expects that it would create 1 million jobs, and help India compete in global markets.

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| (1) CBFDAE | (2) BCDFAE |
| (3) FABECD | (4) CDEFAB |

18. A. This third – party liability insurance is mandatory for all vehicles and offers unlimited cover for injuries and death caused by the vehicle.

B. Insuring your vehicle is important because in case of an accident, the insurance company picks up the bill for repairs.

C. This compensation can run into several lakhs of rupees and on occasions has even touched the nine figure mark.

D. General insurance companies have been lobbying for a cap on the liability for several years.

E. What only a few people know is that the insurance company also compensates the victims of the accidents in which the insured vehicle is involved.

F. They contend they are losing money because the compensation is higher than the premium earned.

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| (1) DBFAEC | (2) DFCABE |
| (3) ABCDEF | (4) BECADF |

Directions for questions 19 and 20: In each of the following questions, six sentences have been given. The first sentence or the last sentences is at its correct place and the remaining five sentences have been jumbled. These sentences need to be arranged in a coherent manner to create a meaningful paragraph. Choose the appropriate option as your answer.

19. S1: The placebo effect remains as the most bizarre aspect of modern medicine.
- Strangely enough, even though the pill has no chemicals that could have a physiological effect on the body, physiological effects still take place, often with curative results.
 - The most influential studies investigating the placebo effect usually involve sugar pills or 'dummy pills', the purpose of which is to convince the patient that they are taking a pill with medicinal properties.
 - The placebo effect takes place when a patient is led to believe that they are receiving a medically effective treatment, when in fact they are receiving none.
 - The placebo effect is believed to work based on the psychosomatic model, which teaches us that, because of the intimate relationship that exists between the mind and body, mental processes can affect medical outcomes.
 - Precisely how culture, meaning and belief can allow us to recover from illness is still shrouded in uncertainty.
- (1) CBADE (2) CABDE
(3) BCADE (4) BDCAE
20. A. She spoke about something much more vulnerable - love and loneliness.
B. She did not sugarcoat her concerns.
C. She worried how the law and sexuality could be misused against her son.
D. She never claimed it was easy for her to accept it.
E. But more than anything else she worried about something far more fundamental, something that we speak too little about when we talk about rights, discrimination and obsolete penal codes.

S6: In a society where tolerance often means Don't Ask Don't Tell, where social stigma often outweighs even the weight of the law, Leila Seth's candour was more important than many realise.

- (1) BCDAE (2) DBEAC
(3) DBAEC (4) BDCEA

Directions for questions 21 to 33: In each of the following questions, four, five, or six sentences have been jumbled. These sentences need to be arranged in a coherent manner to create a meaningful paragraph. Choose the appropriate option as your answer.

21. A. Pursued by the Empire's sinister agents, Princess Leia races home aboard her starship.
B. During the battle, Rebel spies managed to steal secret plans to the Empire's ultimate weapon, the DEATH STAR, an armored space station with enough power to destroy an entire planet.
C. It is a period of civil war.
D. Rebel spaceships, striking from a hidden base, have won their first victory against the evil Galactic Empire.
- (1) CDBA (2) DBAC
(3) CADB (4) CABD
22. A. Abolishing the current version of the 500 and 1,000 rupee notes, worth about \$8 and \$15, will effectively remove 80 percent of the currency in circulation.
B. It is also expected to help the government clean up a system that has relied on cash to pay bribes and to avoid taxes.
C. But the announcement, made on national television in both Hindi and English, led to an immediate upheaval in the country.
D. The ban is intended both to curb the flow of counterfeit money and to take aim at terrorist organizations that rely on unaccounted-for cash.
- (1) DBAC (2) DBCA
(3) CADB (4) CABD

23. A. Updated infrastructure and qualified teachers, too, are proffering premier quality of content.
 B. A decade ago it was considered that one cannot get the world class education in India.
 C. However, governing bodies had acted upon the drawbacks and brought some necessary changes.
 D. Syllabuses have been amended, new courses are being added and teaching methodologies have been changed.
- (1) CDAB (2) CABD
 (3) BCAD (4) BCDA
24. A. Princess Diana is a powerful, strong-willed character who does not back down from a fight or a challenge.
 B. Princess Diana commands respect both as Wonder Woman and Diana Prince; her epithetical title – The Amazon Princess – illustrates the dichotomy of her character.
 C. She's simultaneously both the most fierce and most nurturing member of the Justice League.
 D. Yet, she is a diplomat who strongly "favors the pen" and a lover of peace who would never seek to fight or escalate a conflict.
- (1) BACD (2) ADCB
 (3) BADC (4) ACBD
25. A. It slept in the closet with my father's shirts, trousers and shoes, it guarded his Beethoven, Prokofiev and Shostakovich scores, his hats, armchair and special cup.
 B. I fell asleep certain that, in the morning, Ba would wake me as he always had, his voice tugging me from sleep, until this delusion compounded the loss, and hurt more than what had come before.
 C. Then, quiet became another person living inside our house.
 D. Quiet moved into our minds and stormed like an ocean inside my mother and me.
- (1) CBAD (2) CADB
 (3) BCDA (4) CBAD
26. A. Sourav Ganguly, the man who fought all odds and never ceases to amaze is an epitome of guts and glory resulted in appearing as the finest batsman and captain of Indian cricket team.
 B. His hunger to achieve success and passion for the game of cricket is truly an inspiring tale which not only fascinates the youngsters but the whole community of Crick-lovers across the globe.
 C. Being a very influential figure in Indian cricket history he is the person who changed the perception of Indian cricket and cricketers abroad.
 D. He was a great mentor who identified and gave talent the opportunity to flourish.
 E. Today, as India climbs to its new heights as an international cricket team, one cannot but awe the amazing work which he put in to strengthen its foundation.
- (1) AEDCB (2) EADCB
 (3) AEBCD (4) ADBCE
27. A. Three years ago I packed up my life in New Zealand and sold or gave away everything, even my kayaks.
 B. No extreme sports, no adrenalin, no competition; my new life here is about saying yes to everything I never thought I was.
 C. I decided to say yes to the unknown, landing me in a whole new life in Bali.
 D. I am finding joy in the little things, learning how to be in the moment, and realizing all that I thought was important isn't.
 E. Going slowly, practicing mindfulness through yoga, meditation, and dance, learning how to speak Indonesian, and now scuba diving, my life looks like something I never in a million years would have guessed it would be.
- (1) ABCDE (2) ABCED
 (3) ACBED (4) ACBDE

28. A. In a sense, the narrator is like a puppeteer.
 B. This means that the narrator is not a character in the story but rather an external observer that can enter the thoughts of all of the characters in the story.
 C. The narrator of *Paradise Lost* is an omniscient third person.
 D. Milton does this on numerous occasions, often telling us what Satan is thinking about, or what Adam is really feeling.
 E. He knows the whole story, and he knows how he wants to present it, so he sits back and feeds his readers information as he sees fit.
- (1) CBAED (2) DBACE
 (3) CBDAE (4) DBAEC
29. A. It is 1939, and we are in Abrezzo, Italy.
 B. The film "Life is Beautiful" opens with an atmospheric shot of a silhouetted figure wandering through dense dust and debris.
 C. Like a fable, there is sorrow, and like a fable, it is full of wonder and happiness.
 D. This is a simple story, the narrator says, but not an easy one to tell.
 E. The shot then brightens, and we see a simple country road.
- (1) BCDAE (2) DBACE
 (3) DCABE (4) BDCEA
30. A. Closely linked to such a perception was recognition that there were things to learn from the west.
 B. A quest for cultural self-assurance was often the unconscious motive.
 C. It was inspired mainly by an urge to assess the comparative merits of Indian civilization, its differences with the dominant culture of the time and its relative superiority or inferiority.
 D. A more conscious purpose was to assess the impact of the west, increasingly seen as a threat to the Indian way of life with unfortunate implications for the country.
 E. The nineteenth-century Indian discourse on the West was rarely, if ever, informed only by intellectual curiosity.
- (1) ECBAD (2) ECBDA
 (3) BDECA (4) EBCAD
31. A. Almost predatory.
 B. Fiction writers as a species tend to be ogles.
 C. This happens because they are born viewers.
 D. This is because human situations are writers' food.
 E. They are the ones on the subway about whose nonchalant stare there is something creepy.
 F. The minute they stop moving, they tend to lurk and to stare.
- (1) BCDAEF (2) ACFEBD
 (3) BFCEAD (4) BFDCAE
32. A. The questioning teens will view the videos and realize life can "get better".
 B. In response to a recent spate of suicides of gay youth, Dan Savage and his partner Terry Miller developed It Gets Better, a video project that has inspired tens of thousands of LGBT people to post short, positive videos to YouTube.
 C. It is just one example of digital media providing a support network for LGBT youth.
 D. It Gets Better has garnered over 10 million views and has drawn national media attention.
 E. Social media provides an outlet for making queer friends and straight allies, and allows organizations like the University of Washington's Q-Center—an on-campus safe haven, resource, and activism center—to reach enormous numbers of people for rallies, petitions, and events.
 F. Other websites like The Trevor Project, Matthew's Place, and GLAAD provide resources, forums, and counselling to gay youth who may be living in intolerant or unequipped regions, communities, or families.
- (1) BADCFE (2) BDCFAE
 (3) EBCAFD (4) ABCDEF

33. A. Where was all this an hour and a half ago when the score was 0-0 and there was still a match to be won?
 B. Hearing this, you wondered: why now?
 C. Instead the players of Manchester United coiled back in their own half like a red-shirted draught excluder, abasing themselves in this grand old stadium before the perceived – and conceded – superiority of their opponents.
 D. At which point, with the day still wide open and the spoils there to be claimed, Mourinho's men didn't go banging on anyone's door.
 E. At first glance the most startling aspect of the Manchester derby tunnel fracas is the fact it seems to have been kicked off by José Mourinho knocking on the dressing room door and going toe-to-toe with Manchester City's players.
 F. The fronting-up, the arrogance of a bull charging at a drawn sword, the stick-it-to-them bravado.
- (1) CEBFAD (2) EBAFDC
 (3) CDAFBE (4) EBFADC
34. A. Furthermore, there are few restrictions on who can use the internet.
 B. The internet gives people access to multi-user domains (MUDS), which are virtual worlds where strangers can interact together.
 C. The presence of online predators targeting children has also been widely publicized by the media.
 D. Examples include multi-user chat rooms and multi-player games.
- E. Due to the sheer amount of information available on the internet and the number of people using it, letting children use this technology unsupervised can negatively impact their psychological health.
 F. Studies have found that extended use of MUDS can be linked to increased loneliness, depression, and may blur a child's ability to tell reality from simulation.
- (1) BDFAEC (2) BDFECA
 (3) EBDCFA (4) EBD FAC
35. A. For when Kenneth Clarke, Iain Duncan Smith, Sir Bill Cash and Nicky Morgan all say they are united about Brexit policy, it can only mean one thing: that the thing they claim to agree about is worth very little.
 B. They combined for an afternoon to produce the political equivalent of a Christmas truce on the western front in the First World War.
 C. For these MPs are not comrades but enemies.
 D. Conservative MPs of every ideological hue queued up to praise Theresa May's interim agreement with the European Union on Brexit on Monday.
 E. All that can be said with confidence is that this truce, like the one on the western front, will not last.
 F. That in itself ought to make any sensible person wary about what was taking place.
- (1) DACFEB (2) DFACBE
 (3) ABEDFC (4) ACBEFD

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Answers and Explanations

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| <p>1. Dystopia</p> <p>2. Hermetic</p> <p>3. Blossom</p> <p>4. Adumbrate</p> <p>5. Execrable. It means “unequivocally detestable”</p> <p>6. Renovate</p> <p>7. Disarmament</p> <p>8. Ballistic</p> <p>9. 2 D opens the paragraph as it mentions the name of the discipline (Psychology). “This news” in B refers to D. Hence, D and B make a mandatory pair. A introduces a contradiction with “however”. C gives a conclusion and it also refers to “the subject” i.e. Statistics.</p> <p>10. 1 C introduces the topic i.e. the understanding of the concept of caste. D looks like the opening sentence but it is a question which summarises the entire paragraph. So, it should come at the end of the paragraph. A and B make a mandatory pair as “this understanding” in B refers to the concept defined in A. So, 1 is the correct option.</p> <p>11. 3 P comes after S1 (one argument of “such a beginning”). S comes next with “another argument”. Q comes next (St. Augustine - He). R will come at the end though this paragraph is, by no mean, complete. As PSQ make a mandatory sequence, the position of R is not crucial to the answer. So, option 3 is the correct answer.</p> <p>12. 4 The paragraph starts with D which showcases archeologists’ wondering in search for the fall of the civilization. It is then followed by A which proves that there is no convincing detail about how the city</p> | <p>declined. C provides certain assumption while B tries to justify it.</p> <p>13. 4 There are two themes mentioned in this paragraph – higher education and primary education. C opens the paragraph by talking about UGC and its role in “the education system in India”. C and E make a mandatory pair (UGC-this commission). D starts the topic of primary education but it can’t be the opening sentence because of “also”. A and B describe the “steps” taken by the government. Hence, DAB make a mandatory sequence.</p> <p>14. 2 EDACB is the ideal sequence. E introduces Manasseh as the evil king followed by D which portrays the effect of the evil king on the nation. Sentence A introduces Manasseh’s son, who was murdered, followed by C where the next king tries to restore the religion. B follows it sequentially by stating about the ones who did not follow him.</p> <p>15. 2 D is clearly the sentence that follows S1; “this has happened” in D refers to “heralded and unprecedented era” in S1). C comes next as it explains the “volatile exchange markets”. CB make a mandatory pair as both explain D. A will come before S6 (“Economic fundamentals” – The principle of ‘revision-to-mean’.</p> <p>16. 3 “It is” in C refers to “the violin” in S1. A comes next as the author talks about playing a different instrument. D talks about the last time the author played the viola. B comes next as “there” in B refers to Vienna. DBS6 make a mandatory sequence - Vienna, there, that city. This paragraph is an excerpt from An Equal Music by Vikram Seth, a wonderful writer.</p> <p>17. 1 CB is a mandatory pair: “Special package – this is expected.” “Besides” in F makes it the next statement as it continues the idea of the expected positive impacts of the move. D introduces a change in the narrative as it talks about some roadblocks for the scheme. DAE make a mandatory sequence. “These measures” in E makes it the concluding sentence.</p> |
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18. 4 B is the topic sentence as it introduces the concept of insurance. Either E or C can come next. However EC is the right order because "this compensation" in C refers to E. A comes next as it continues to explain "this third party insurance". "The liability" in D makes it the next sentence. DF is a pair as they share a cause-effect relationship. D is the assertion and F gives the reason.
19. 1 C explains the opinion mentioned in S1. Hence, we can eliminate options 3 and 4. B explains the topic raised by C. A shows how placebo pills work and puzzle the scientists. E is the last sentence as it introduces a new thought about placebo pills. So, option 1 is the correct answer.
20. 4 The answer to this question can be found by eliminating options after locating the strongest mandatory pair in the paragraph: EA (fundamental – love). Only options 2 and 4 will be left. C can't be the penultimate statement as it introduces Leila Seth's concerns. Hence, option 4 is the correct answer.
21. 1 C is the correct opening sentence as it introduces the period. DB is a mandatory pair (won the first victory – the battle). B and A too have a thematic link as they both talk about the Empire.
22. 2 There are two mandatory pairs in this paragraph – DB (both talk about the expected benefits of demonetisation move) and CA (both talk about the problems in executing the move). The positioning of the pairs is what needs to be determined. As C starts with "but", it should come after D and B. So, option 2 is the correct answer.
23. 4 B is the opening sentence as it has "India" and it specifies the issue at hand. The remaining sentences talk about how India has tackled the problem. C introduces this change with the word "however". D and A make a mandatory pair as both talk about the actions of the governing bodies. A comes after D because of the word "too".
24. 3 A or B can open the paragraph. D and C make a mandatory pair as C acts as an explanation of D. D after C will be incorrect as 'yet' will then be thematically redundant. Now, we need to go from the options. Because of DC, only options 2 and 3 remain relevant. B can't come after C as the theme of B doesn't match that of C and D. So, option 3 is the correct answer.
25. 2 This question can be answered by looking at the theme and the options. The paragraph talks about the author dealing with her father's death / departure. C and A make a mandatory pair (Quiet, which has been personified – it, living in our house – A explains this). D will come next as it further explains this loss. So CAD make a mandatory sequence. So, option 2 is the correct answer. The position is a bit vague. But thematically it comes after CAD.
26. 1 A has to be the opening sentence because it mentions the full name of the person under discussion: Sourav Ganguly. B has to be the last sentence as it is the best conclusion. It talks about Ganguly's influence on cricket lovers across the globe. E, D, and C talk about a very specific influence of Ganguly i.e. his leadership skills. So, the only correct option is 1.
27. 3 A is the opening sentence according to all the options. So we just need to arrange the remaining four sentences. C comes after A (packed my life – said yes to the unknown). B further explains "life in Bali". E gives the example of "saying yes to everything". D gives the conclusion to this by summarizing the entire paragraph.
28. 3 C introduces "the narrator", followed by B which explains the type of narrator used in this story. D informs that Milton has used this technique multiple times. A is a kind of conclusion. The word "puppeteer" is explained by E. So, 3 is the correct answer.
29. 4 B is the topic sentence as it introduces the film under discussion "Life is Beautiful". D and C make a mandatory pair. Both the sentences talk about what the narrator is saying. "Then" in E makes it the next sentence sequentially. This shot is revealed to be Italy by A. So, option 4 is the correct option.
30. 2 E is the opening sentence. It introduces the theme of discourse. BD is a mandatory pair (unconscious – more conscious). A (such a perception) can come after D as they share the same theme. So, option 2 is the correct answer.
31. 3 Statement B is the opening sentence as it introduces fiction writers. F follows B as it has a tone similar to that of B. "They" in F is a reference to fiction writers discussed in B. F and C form a mandatory pair as C explains why fiction writers tend to stare. E will not follow B because if it did, the sentences that follow, will leave no space for statements F and C. Further, statements E, A and D become a mandatory pair. "Nonchalant stare" and "creepy" used in E, give way to statement A. A tells that their stare is "almost predatory". D further concludes the paragraph by covering the activities of fiction writers under the garb of "writers' food".

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| <p>32. 1 The given jumbled paragraph talks about an online video project '<i>It gets better</i>' to stop suicides among the LGBT community. B introduces the topic. It is followed by A which elaborates on the purpose of the project. It is sequentially followed by D which discusses the recent success of this project. D is followed by C which states that <i>It Gets Better</i> is one of the many projects available online. F follows C justifying it by mentioning other forums which deal with the counselling of gay youth. The paragraph ends with E, which provides the correct conclusion to the paragraph by portraying the role of social media which successfully has created forums for disillusioned youth to communicate with other people and discuss their problems.</p> <p>33. 4 Considering the theme of the paragraph, it can be surmised that the author talks about United's post match antics despite a cowardly show during the match. E is first sentence because it introduces the problem. It mentions that the initiator being Mourinho was a startling aspect. B follows this because the author assumes the reader's response to the previous statement. F describes the manner with which Mourinho was armed when he went knocking. A introduces the crux of the matter as the author inquires why this necessary intensity was missing in the pitch. D contrasts the post-match situation with that occurring during the game. C finally offers the reader the way United behaved on the field, a behaviour which cost them the match.</p> | <p>34. 4 Either B or E can start the paragraph. However, the topic of the paragraph is the negative impact of the internet on children. E also talks about the internet which is more generic. So E is a better opening sentence. B and D is a mandatory pair as B defines MUDs and D gives the examples. F and A also make a mandatory pair as "furthermore" in A can only come after F. C (also) comes next. So, option 4 is the correct answer.</p> <p>35. 2 D is clearly the opening sentence (Conservative MPs, Theresa May). F (that in itself) refers to D. A and C come next. C explains the reason for the author's opinion in A. B comes next as it leads to E. E is the concluding sentence.</p> |
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