

Revision Test – 1



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Number of Questions : **50**

Direction for questions 1 and 2: Read the given question and answer by substituting the correct word for the given phrase.

- Someone who spends his time wandering around is called:
(1) a spinster. (2) a nincompoop.
(3) a rover. (4) a jester.
- Someone who is recklessly extravagant or wasteful in use of resources is:
(1) malicious. (2) profligate.
(3) temperate. (4) truant.

Direction for questions 3-6: In the questions given below, choose the pair or word which expresses / helps express a relation similar to the one in the question pair.

- Mutate: Metamorphose
(1) Empowerment: Enfranchisement
(2) Emancipate: Eulogy
(3) Eavesdrop: Juxtapose
(4) Sanctimonious: Hilarious
- Abstinence: Renunciation
(1) Promiscuity: Celibacy
(2) Indolent: Insolent
(3) Limpid: Transparent
(4) Perspicuous: Dull
- Horse: Cart
(1) Tractor: trailer
(2) Cow: Tractor
(3) Life: Hard Work
(4) Donkey: Saddle

- Leery: Incautious
(1) Loquacious: Communicative
(2) Maudlin: Lachrymose
(3) Milieu: Sphere
(4) Natty: Scruffy

Direction for questions 7-11: In the questions given below, choose the odd one out.

- (1) Amplify (2) Hyperbolize
(3) Exaggerate (4) Abridge
- (1) Monogamy (2) Polysyllable
(3) Polyandry (4) Polygyny
- (1) Caravan (2) Cruise Ship
(3) Luxury hotel (4) Shopping centre
- (1) Nonplussed (2) Baffled
(3) Enlightened (4) Confounded
- (1) Withdrawal (2) Deposit
(3) Deduction (4) Debit

Direction for questions 12-17: In the questions given below, choose the option that best explains the meaning of the idiom.

- Bite off more than you can chew
(1) To over react to a certain situation by being unreasonable
(2) To be unable to accept something as being rational
(3) To take on more responsibilities than one can handle
(4) To severely criticize and insult someone by being bitter

13. To stick to one's guns (GBO, 2015)
 (1) Maintain one's stand under attack
 (2) Suspect something
 (3) Make something fail
 (4) Be satisfied
14. To have the gift of the gab (GBO, 2015)
 (1) A talent for speaking
 (2) To do exactly the right thing
 (3) To be cheerful
 (4) To get lots of gifts
15. Blow out of the water
 (1) Defeat the competitor
 (2) Lose steam once the process starts
 (3) Perfect the act of soaking in pressure
 (4) Terrible attempt at rationing
16. Feather one's nest (GBO, 2016)
 (1) Raise the image of one's company
 (2) Bring order and discipline to one's company
 (3) Act for one's own future benefits
 (4) Diversify the product of one's company
17. Shooting the breeze
 (1) Taking a wrong aim at something
 (2) Living without any objective
 (3) Talking casually without purpose
 (4) Move ahead and do well

Direction for questions 18-20: Choose the word which is nearest in meaning to the underlined word. (GBO, 2016)

18. We arrived safely at the quay and went ashore.
 (1) peninsula (2) wharf
 (3) target (4) island
19. Editors are known to be pernickety about grammar.
 (1) spiteful (2) careless
 (3) fussy (4) ignorant
20. I rather like the quaint little house at the end of the street.
 (1) old (2) quiet
 (3) haunted (4) unusual

Directions for questions 21-24: In the paragraph given below, 4 blanks numbered from 21-24 are given. For each blank, choose the best option to complete the text logically.

A crosscutting theme, regardless of one's professional role, is the need to _____21_____ effectively with the youth. Adolescents will not simply "open up" to adults on demand. Effective communication requires that an emotional bond form, however briefly, between the professional and the adolescent. Professionals must find a way to _____22_____ comfortably to adolescents, and be flexible enough to _____23_____ the wide range of adolescents they are likely to encounter. And, professionals must _____24_____ that developing effective communication with the adolescents with whom they work requires effort on their part.

21. (1) deal (2) communicate
 (3) handle (4) interrelate
22. (1) correlate (2) associate
 (3) ally (4) relate
23. (1) impede (2) accommodate
 (3) entertain (4) hinder
24. (1) recognize (2) view
 (3) rely (4) welcome

Directions for questions 25-28: In the paragraph given below, 4 blanks numbered from 25-28 are given. For each blank, choose the best option to complete the text logically.

This raises concerns that voters may have a _____25_____ choice in next year's presidential election, when Maduro is expected to run again despite a _____26_____ economy, triple-digit inflation, one of the world's highest murder rates and shortages of food and medicine. The president's _____27_____ are low, but he has strengthened his position thanks to a mix of strong-arm government tactics - including arrests of political rivals - and a weak opposition that _____28_____ between engagement and disengagement with the electoral system.

25. (1) cloistered (2) restricted
(3) proportionated (4) abbreviated

26. (1) blown (2) sour
(3) dire (4) pliant

27. (1) ratings (2) postings
(3) makings (4) misgivings

28. (1) obfuscates (2) resuscitates
(3) repudiates (4) vacillates

Direction for questions 29-31: In the questions given below, choose the word that is correctly spelt.

29. (1) Abbyssmal (2) Bellweather
(3) Exhilarate (4) Dumbbell

30. (1) Innoculate (2) Cemetery
(3) Liason (4) Sergaent

31. (1) Acordion (2) Geneology
(3) Oscillation (4) Penintentiary

Direction for question 32-35: In the questions given below, choose the correct spelling of the given word.

32. (1) Haranguer (2) Harranguer
(3) Haranger (4) Harrangeur

33. (1) Porvocateur (2) Provocatur
(3) Provocateur (4) Provocater

34. (1) Skizophrenic (2) Schizopernic
(3) Shizophrenic (4) Schizophrenic

35. (1) Voyuristically (2) Voyeuristically
(3) Voyeuristically (4) Voyueristically

Directions for questions 36 - 41: Each of the questions given below has two blanks. From the given options, choose the pair which completes the text logically and meaningfully.

36. Feminist criticism has got a lot of _____ with post-colonial criticism as both of them are in search of _____ the past into the present.

(1) closeness, retrieving
(2) similarities, amending
(3) dissimilarities, seizing
(4) differences, redeeming

37. Considering the efforts that I had put in all through the year, my coach warned me not to take a _____ approach during the national ranking, as it would give many people a reason to _____ me.

(1) meticulous, criticize
(2) slapdash, sledge
(3) slipshod, ridicule
(4) pedantic, excoriate

38. The urn got _____ due to the _____ actions of the housekeeper.

(1) tumbled, slovenly
(2) assembled, precarious
(3) eradicated, efficient
(4) proffered, pedantic

39. A Tennessee woman's heart-breaking video of her tearful son _____ being bullied at middle school has _____ a wave of support from athletes and entertainers.

(1) resourcing, tempted
(2) recounting, prompted
(3) researching, contemplated
(4) retracing, blighted

40. That _____ may have helped him understand the _____ of his party and of politics in general.

(1) experience, mechanisms
(2) downer, instability
(3) tribulation, dysfunctions
(4) appeasement, mechanisms

41. As a result, hunter-gatherers considered their environments to be eternally _____, and only ever worked to meet their _____ needs.

(1) sagacious, far-sighted
(2) provident, immediate
(3) tentative, immediate
(4) chary, futile

42. Match the prefix/suffix with its meaning.

Prefix/Suffix

Meaning

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| A. morph | i. heat |
| B. therm | ii. tumour |
| C. oma | iii. skin or layer |
| D. dermis | iv. in place of |
| E. vice | v. form |

- (1) A-v, B-iii, C-ii, D-i, E-iv
 (2) A-iv, B-i, C-ii, D-iii, E-v
 (3) A-v, B-i, C-ii, D-iii, E-iv
 (4) A-iv, B-ii, C-i, D-iii, E-v

Direction for questions 43-45: Create a word using all the given letters from the jumbled letters and identify its appropriate meaning. (IIFT, 2017)

43.

E	T	E
I	H	R
M	C	

- (1) Embarrassing situation
 (2) An official license
 (3) Charming, pleasant
 (4) Completely sealed, isolated

44.

L	I	T
U	C	E
D	A	E

- (1) Denounce
 (2) Sincere
 (3) Enlighten
 (4) Confound

45.

A	I	
	T	Q
P	U	N

- (1) Doubtful
 (2) Interesting
 (3) Haughty
 (4) Foremost

Direction for questions 46-48: Create a word using all the given letters from the jumbled letters and identify its antonym.

46.

G		U
	D	
E	S	T

- (1) Understanding
 (2) Lack of taste
 (3) Branding
 (4) Divulge a secret

47.

I	L	E
I	S	B
Y	L	N

- (1) Prophetic
 (2) Out of fashion
 (3) Disliked or hated
 (4) Ignorant

48.

P	E	U
E	I	S
Q	I	O

- (1) Heterogeneous
 (2) Orthodox
 (3) Volatility
 (4) Lack of skill

Directions for questions 49 and 50: In the following questions, a foreign word or phrase is given. Choose the correct meaning of the given word or phrase.

49.

- Fait Accompli
 (1) Determined as fatal
 (2) Accomplishing one's fate
 (3) A fact already established
 (4) To achieve success by luck

50.

- Prima Donna
 (1) Humble and talented
 (2) A temperamental person
 (3) A manipulative lady
 (4) A powerful female

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Answers and Explanations

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11	2	12	3	13	1	14	1	15	1	16	3	17	3	18	2	19	3	20	1
21	2	22	4	23	2	24	1	25	2	26	3	27	1	28	4	29	4	30	2
31	3	32	1	33	3	34	4	35	2	36	1	37	3	38	1	39	2	40	1
41	2	42	3	43	4	44	3	45	2	46	2	47	4	48	3	49	3	50	2

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| <p>1. 3 The term 'rover' is used for someone who roams around. 'Nincompoop' is used for a foolish or stupid person.</p> <p>2. 2 Profligate aptly describes the given phrase.</p> <p>3. 1 The given pair in question is a set of synonyms. Similar relationship is shared by the set in option 1. Both mutate and metamorphose mean transformation. Words in option 1 refer to liberation.</p> <p>4. 3 The given pair in question is a set of synonyms. Similar relationship is shared by the set in option 3. Abstinence and renunciation refer to rejection of something. Limpid means clear and transparent.</p> <p>5. 1 A horse pulls a cart; a trailer is pulled by a tractor.</p> <p>6. 4 The given analogy is between antonyms. Scruffy (shabby or untidy) is an antonym of Natty (clean or neat). Other options represent relationships between synonyms.</p> <p>7. 4 'Abridge' stands odd as it means to shorten or to lessen while the other terms are related to overemphasizing.</p> <p>8. 2 'Polysyllable' is the correct answer as all other terms refer to different forms of marriage.</p> <p>9. 4 One cannot stay in a shopping mall. One can stay either temporarily or permanently in a caravan, cruise ship, and luxury hotel.</p> <p>10. 3 Except 3, others are synonyms. Enlightened is the odd one out.</p> <p>11. 2 Deposit is an antonym of the other three.</p> | <p>12. 3 This is the correct meaning of the idiom.</p> <p>13. 1 The idiom means "refuse to compromise or change, despite criticism."</p> <p>14. 1 The idiom means "the ability to speak with eloquence and fluency."</p> <p>15. 1 The idiom is used when a team defeats its competitor comprehensively.</p> <p>16. 3 The idiom means "make money for oneself in an opportunistic or selfish way." So, option 3 is the closest option.</p> <p>17. 3 The correct meaning of the idiom is 'talking casually without any reason or purpose'.</p> <p>18. 2 Quay means a dock or wharf.</p> <p>19. 3 Pernickety means to be fussy.</p> <p>20. 1 Quaint means attractive in an old-fashioned way.</p> <p>21. 2 The entire paragraph is about the establishment of an effective communication between the professionals and the adolescents. So, option 2 is the best fit thematically.</p> <p>22. 4 The use of the preposition 'to' is important. 'Associate' and 'ally' won't fit grammatically. 'Correlate' is irrelevant here, as it is used when one thing depends on or affects another. Here, the need is for the professionals to relate to the adolescents.</p> <p>23. 2 Clearly, the paragraph has positive connotations with respect to the relation between professionals and the adolescents. Hence, options 1 and 4 are ruled out. Option 3 is too informal. Option 2 is the best fit.</p> |
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| <p>24. 1 The blank requires a word like 'know' or its synonym. 'Recognize' is the most appropriate option.</p> <p>25. 2 The sentence talks about voting choices. Looking at the passage's proceedings, 'restricted' is the correct choice.</p> <p>26. 3 The sentence mentions that the economy is facing inflation. Naturally, it is in a 'dire' state.</p> <p>27. 1 Keeping in mind, the previous portion of the passage, the president's 'ratings' are low.</p> <p>28. 4 The opposition is described to have two activities, that of 'engagement and disengagement'. Hence, 'vacillates' is the correct choice here.</p> <p>29. 4 Abysmal, Bellwether, and Exhilarate are the correct spelling.</p> <p>30. 2 The correct spellings are: Inoculate, Liaison, and Sergeant.</p> <p>31. 3 The correct spellings are: Accordion, Genealogy, and Penitentiary.</p> <p>32. 1 This is the correct spelling of the given word which means 'a lengthy aggressive speech.' In modern English, the word Harangue is more widely used.</p> <p>33. 3 Agent Provocateur is the correct expression. It literally means "provocative agent or a person employed to induce others to break the law so that they can be convicted."</p> <p>34. 4 This is the correct spelling. It refers to someone suffering from the neurological disorder called Schizophrenia.</p> <p>35. 2 This is a commonly misspelt word. The correct spelling is given in option 2.</p> <p>36. 1 For the first blank, the hint has to be taken from 'both of them'. This means that Feminist criticism and post-colonial criticism have closeness or similarities. This rules out options 3 and 4. 'Amending' means changing or altering, which is not in line with the given sentence. 'Retrieve' is to get back or to recover. Hence, option 1 is the correct answer.</p> <p>37. 3 The coach warns the speaker to not be careless as he had put in a lot of effort. 'Slapdash and slipshod' both mean carefree. 'Meticulous and pedantic' are their antonyms and are hence ruled out. Sledge as a verb means to carry. Seldging is an informal phrase used in Cricket. It doesn't fit the context here. So, option 3 is the correct answer.</p> | <p>38. 1 Efficient action can't result in eradication. So, option 3 is ruled out. Pedantic action doesn't fit the context. Precarious action will result in something negative. So, only option 1 fits both the blanks logically.</p> <p>39. 2 One recounts an experience. One retraces one's or someone else's steps. So, option 2 is the correct choice.</p> <p>40. 1 The phrase 'may have helped him understand' denotes that the 1st blank must represent something which means having knowledge of or experience. For the 2nd blank, 'mechanisms' is the best fit. Hence option 1 is the correct answer.</p> <p>41. 2 The 'hunter gatherers' utilize whatever is present in their environment. So it must be 'provident' enough for them to hunt. Along with it, the 2nd blank should be 'immediate'. Hence option 2 is the answer.</p> <p>42. 3 This is the correct combination.</p> <p>43. 4 The word is Hermetic. It means completely sealed or isolated.</p> <p>44. 3 The word is Elucidate which means enlighten.</p> <p>45. 2 The word is Piquant. Contextually, sometimes, it is used as a synonym for being haughty. However, the accepted lexical meaning is something which is sharp and appealing. Hence, option 2 is the correct answer.</p> <p>46. 2 The word is Degust. It's a rarely used word. It means to taste something carefully in order to appreciate it better. So, only option 2 comes close to being its antonym.</p> <p>47. 4 The word is Sibylline. It means prophetic or knowledgeable. So, option 4 is the correct antonym.</p> <p>48. 3 The word is Equipoise. It means balanced or in equilibrium. So, volatility or lack of balance will be its antonym.</p> <p>49. 3 Oxford dictionary defines this phrase as "a thing that has already happened or been decided before those affected hear about it, leaving them with no option but to accept it." So, option 3 is the correct choice.</p> <p>50. 2 Prima Donna is the chief female singer in an opera or opera company. However, the meaning has also changed to refer to a person who is extremely temperamental and who has an inflated view of his/her talent or importance.</p> |
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