

Book For  
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Rajasthan LDC English Sample Paper

(1)

S1: Palaeobotany is the study of fossil plants preserved in rocks dating back in millions of years.

P : Records of the history of the world are contained in fossils.

Q : Through the ages, plants have evolved from simple to more complex forms.

R : First there were water plants then land plants appeared during the Paleozoic era.

S : But since the fossil remains appear locked in rock layers, they are closely related to the geologist area of investigation.

S6: The fossil plants indicate the age of the rock, and also point to facts regarding climate, temperature and topography.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] RQSP

[B] SQRP[C] PSQR

[D] QRPS

Answer : [D]

(2)

S1: On vacation in Tangier, Morocco, my friend and I sat down at a street cafe.

P : At one point, he bent over with a big smile, showing me, a single gold tooth and a dingy fez.

Q : soon I felt the presence of someone standing alongside me.

R : But this one wouldn't budge.

S : We had been cautioned about beggars and were told to ignore them.

S6: Finally a man walked over to me and whispered, "Hey buddy this guy is your waiter and he wants your order"

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] SQRP

[B] SQPR[C] QSRP

[D] QSPR

Answer : [C]

(3)

S1: Hungary, with a population of about 10 million, lies between Czechoslovakia to the north and Yugoslavia to the south.

P : Here a great deal of grain is grown.

Q : In recent years, however, progress has been made also in the field of industrialisation.

R : Most of this country consists of an extremely fertile plain, through which the river Danube flows.

S : In addition to grain, the plain produces potatoes, sugar, wine and livestock.

S6: The new industries derive mainly from agricultural production.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] QRSP

[B] RPSQ[C] PRSQ

[D] RQSP

Answer : [B]

(4)

S1: A gentleman who lived alone always had two plates placed on the table at dinner time.

P : One day just as he sat down to dine, the cat rushed in to the room.

Q : One plate was for himself and other was for his cat.

R : she drooped a mouse into her own plate and another into her master plate.

S : He used to give the cat a piece of meat from his own plate.

S6: In this way the cat showed her gratitude to her master.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] QSPR

[B] PSRQ[C] QRSP

[D] RPQS

Answer : [A]

(5)

S1: Satyajit Ray made several films for children.

P : Later film makers have followed his lead.

Q : Today other nations are making the children's film in a big way.

R : This was at a time when no director considered children as potential audience.

S : Ray was, thus, a pioneer in the field.

S6: But today few think of Ray as a maker of children's films.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] PSRQ

[B] RSQP[C] RSPQ

[D] SQRP

Answer : [C]

(6)

S1: In 1934, William Golding published a small volume of poems.

P : During the World War II(1939-45) he joined the Royal Navy and was present at the sinking of the Bismarck.

Q : He returned to teaching in 1945 and gave it up in 1962, and is now a full time writer.

R : In 1939, he married and started teaching at Vishop Wordsworth school in Salisbury.

S : At first his novels were not accepted.

S6: But the Lord of the flies which came out in 1954 was welcomed as "a most absorbing and instructive tale".

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] RPQS

[B] RPSQ[C] SRPQ

[D] SQPR

Answer : [A]

(7)

S1: I usually sleep quite well in the train, but this time I slept only a little.

P : Most people wanted it shut and I wanted it open.

Q : As usual, I got angry about the window.

R : The quarrel left me completely upset.

S : There were too many people too much huge luggage all around.

S6: It was shut all night, as usual

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] RSQP

[B] SQPR[C] SQRP

[D] RSPQ

Answer : [B]

(8)

S1: The Bhagavadgita recognises the nature of man and the needs of man.

P : All these three aspects constitute the nature of man.

Q : It shows how the human being is rational one, an ethical one and a spiritual one.

R : More than all, it must be a spiritual experience.

S : Nothing can give him fulfilment unless it satisfies his reason, his ethical conscience.

S6: A man whom does not harmonise them, is not truly human.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] PSRQ

[B] RSPQ[C] QPSR

[D] PSQR

Answer : [C]

(9)

S1: And then Gandhi came.

P : Get off the backs of these peasants and workers, he told us, all you who live by their exploitation.

Q : He was like a powerful current of fresh air, like a beam of light, like a whirlwind that upset many things.

R : He spoke their language and constantly drew their attention to their appalling conditions.

S : He didn't descend from the top, he seemed to emerge from the masses of India.

S6: Political freedom took new shape and then acquired a new content.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] QSRP

[B] SRQP[C] RSQP

[D] PRSQ

Answer : [B]

(10)

S1: Biological evolution has not fitted man to any specific environment.

P : It is by no means a biological evolution, but it is a cultural one.

Q : His imagination, his reason, his emotional subtlety and toughness, makes it possible for him not to accept the environment but to change.

R : And that series of inventions by which man from age by age has reshaped his environment is a different kind of evolution.

S : Among the multitude of animals which scamper, burrow swim around us he is in the only one who is not locked in to his environment.

S6: That brilliant sequence of cultural peaks can most appropriately be termed the ascent of man.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] QPRS

[B] SRQP[C] QRSP

[D] SQRP

Answer : [C]

(11)

S1: The dictionary is the best friend of you task.

P : That may not be possible always.

Q : It is wise to look it up immediately.

R : Then it must be firmly written on the memory and traced at the first opportunity.

S : Never allow a strange word to pass unchallenged.

S6: soon you will realize that this is an exciting task.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] PQRS

[B] SPQR[C] QRPS

[D] SQPR

Answer : [D]

(12)

S1: The art of growing old is one which the passage of time has forced upon my attention.

P : One of these is undue absorption in the past.

Q : One's thought must be directed to the future and to things about which there is something to be done.

R : Psychologically, there are two dangers to be guarded against in old age.

S : It does not do to live in memories, in regrets for the good old days, or in sadness about friend who are dead.

S6: This is not always easy one's own past is gradually increasing weight.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] QSRP

[B] RPQS[C] RPSQ

[D] QPRS

Answer : [C]

(13)

S1: Most of the universities in the country are now facing financial crisis.

P : Cost benefit yardstick thus should not be applied in the case of universities.

Q : The current state of affairs cannot be allowed to continue for long.

R : Universities cannot be equated with commercial enterprises.

S : Proper development of universities and colleges must be ensured.

S6: The Government should realise this before it is too late.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] QRPS

[B] QSPR[C] QRSP

[D] QPRS

Answer : [A]

(14)

S1: The future beckons to us.

P : In fact we have hard work ahead.

Q : Where do we go and what shall be our endeavour?

R : We shall also have to fight and end poverty, ignorance and disease.

S : It will be to bring freedom and opportunity to the common man.

S6: There is no resting for any one of us till we redeem our pledge in full.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] PSRQ

[B] QPSR[C] QSRP [D] SRPQ

Answer : [C]

(15)

S1: I keep on flapping my big ears all day.

P : They also fear that I will flip them all away.

Q : But children wonder why I flap them so.

R : I flap them so to make sure they are safely there on either side of my head.

S : But I know what I am doing.

S6: Am I not a smart, intelligent elephant?

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] SRQP

[B] QPSR[C] QPRS [D] PSRQ

Answer : [B]

(16)

S1: While talking to a group, one should feel self-confident and courageous.

P : Nor is it a gift bestowed by providence on only a few.

Q : One should also learn how to think calmly and clearly.

R : It is like the ability to play golf.

S : It is not as difficult as most men imagine.

S6: Any man can develop his capacity if he has the desire to do so.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] SQPR

[B] QSPR[C] QRSP [D] RSQP

Answer : [B]

(17)

S1: A ceiling on urban property.

P : No mill-owner could own factories or mills or plants.

Q : And mass circulation papers

R : Would mean that

S : No press magnate could own printing presses.

S6: since their value would exceed the ceiling fixed by the government.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] QSRP

[B] RPSQ[C] SRPQ [D] QPSR

Answer : [B]

(18)

S1: There is a touching story of Professor Hardy visiting Ramanujan as he lay desperately ill in hospital at Putney.

P : 'No Hardy, that is not a dull number in the very least.

Q : Hardy, who was a very shy man, could not find the words for his distress.

R : It was 1729.

S : The best he could do, as he got to the bedside was "I say Ramanujan, I thought the number of taxi I came down in was a very dull number" S6: It is the lowest number that can be expressed in two different ways as the sum of two cubes. The Proper sequence should be:

[A] PRSQ

[B] QSRP[C] QSPR

[D] SQRP

Answer : [B]

(19)

S1: Once King Shantnu met a young and beautiful fisher girl.

P : He went to the fisherman and asked him for her hand in marriage.

Q : The King was extremely sad and returned to his palace.

R : He fell in love with the fisher girl.

S : The fisherman agreed to it condition that the son of his daughter should be heir to the throne of Hastinapur.

S6: Devavrata, the King's son, asked him the reason of his sadness.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] PQRS

[B] RPSQ[C] QSPR

[D] PSQR

Answer : [B]

(20)

S1: We speak today of self-determination in politics.

P : So long as one is conscious of a restraint, it is possible to resist it or to near it as a necessary evil and to keep free in spirit.

Q : Slavery begins when one ceases to feel that restraint and it depends on if the evil is accepted as good.

R : There is, however, a subtler domination exercised in the sphere of ideas by one culture to another.

S : Political subjection primarily means restraint on the outer life of people.

S6: Cultural subjection is ordinarily of an unconscious character and it implies slavery from the very start.

The Proper sequence should be:

[A] SPRQ

[B] RSQP[C] SPQR

[D] RSPQ

Answer : [C]