***Para Jumbles***

***Directions for questions 1 to 11: Choose the option that represents the most logical sequence of the sentences given in the each question.***

1. A) They are defects, not in the heart, but in the brain; for they take place in the stoutest natures; as in the example of Henry the Seventh of England.

B) Certainly they are to be repressed, or at least well-guarded: for they cloud the mind; they lose friends; and they hinder in business, whereby business cannot go on currently and constantly.

1. Suspicions amongst thoughts are like bats amongst birds, they ever fly by twilight.
2. They dispose kings to tyranny, husbands to jealousy, wise men to irresolution and melancholy.

A] DBCA B] ABCD C] CBDA D] BCAD

2. A) Excuses have been thrown up for the military debacle.

B) Forty years later, India has repaired its relationship with the Chinese to some extent, but those wounds have not been forgotten.

C) Forty years ago, the Indian nation was convulsed by fear and eventual humiliation as its army was vanquished by the Chinese People’s Liberation Army in a bitter and cold battle in the Northeast.

D) India was ill prepared; it believed in non-violence; it trusted the Chinese and in ‘Hindi-Chini bhai bhai’.

A] ABCD B] DABC C] CBAD D] ACBD

3. A) Sri Lanka offers plenty of attractions for both.

B) Most visitors enjoy their holidays under a shady tree or on the beach dozing off while reading a book.

C) Want to try your luck with the ‘Virgin’s Breast’ or the ‘Rib Cage’? These are the names of some of Sri Lanka’s whitewater rapids.

D) And then there is the active type – those who love being outdoors trekking, hiking, rock climbing or rafting.

A] BACD B] DABC C] BDCA D] BDAC

4. A) As an attempt to wipe out colonial legacy, the amendment is welcome, but with caution.

B) The Bar Council of India recently replaced ‘my lord’ and ‘your lordship’ with ‘your honour’ and ‘honourable court’.

C) The note of caution is only because the shift is merely symbolic and has no real implications for any change in the colonial nature of governance in India.

D) The reason: the abandoned phrases were “relics of the colonial past”.

A] BCAD B] DABC C] BDAC D] BDCA

5. A) The Baha`is are a peaceful community and believing in the oneness of God, of mankind and or religion.

B) BAHA`U`LLAH, The Prophet founder of the Baha`i faith, founded the remarkable Baha`i faith which now has about 6 million followers across 230 nations who belong to a myriad (2100 is the estimate) ethnic, racial and tribal groups.

C) India’s pluralist tradition has understandably made it the largest Baha`i concentration in the world: its 2 million Baha`i population is followed by the second largest grouping of 3.5 lakh Bahai`s in the country of Baha`u`llah’s origin – Iran.

D) The basic object of the faith is to safeguard the interest and promote unity of the entire human race as well as foster the spirit of love and fellowship among men.

A] BCAD B] DCAB C] ABCD D] CADB

6. A) In India, 12 percent in the 20-29 age-group suffer from cardiovascular diseases.

1. A huge cost for a nation proud of its young working population, says Sakshi Sent, chief dietician at Fortis, Delhi.
2. By 2030, this is expected to rise by 120 per cent in women and 137 per cent in men.
3. The health expert helps young executives balance their personal and professional lives.

A] DABC B] ACBD C] ADBC D] BDAC

7. A) But now the state is witnessing a phenomenal rise of caste-based parties and marginal players.

B) Ever since the state came into being in 1953, Tamil Nadu, formerly Madras, has been a fanatical believer in single-party rule.

1. While the Congress ruled it, for a little over a decade, regional parties have held sway since 1967.

D) Their importance can be gauged from the fact that they have managed to wrangle a significant number of seats from the big Dravidian parties that are leading the two alliances.

A] BCAD B] DCAB C] BDAC D] CBDA

8. A. Experts such as Larry Burns, head of research at GM, reckon that only such a full hearted leap will allow the world to cope with the mass motorisation that will one day come to China or India.

B. But once hydrogen is being produced from biomass or extracted from underground coal or made from water, using nuclear or renewable electricity, the way will be open for a huge reduction in carbon emissions from the whole system.

C. In theory, once all the bugs have been sorted out, fuel cells should deliver better total fuel economy than any existing engines.

D. That is twice as good as the internal combustion engine, but only five percentage points better than a diesel hybrid.

E. Allowing for the resources needed to extract hydrogen from hydrocarbon, oil, coal or gas, the fuel cell has an efficiency of 30%.

A] CEDBA B] CEBDA C] AEDBC D] ACEBD

9. A. Four days later, Oracle announced its own bid for PeopleSoft, and invited the firm’s board to a discussion.

B. Furious that his own plans had been endangered, PeopleSoft’s boss, Craig Conway, called Oracle’s offer ‘diabolical’, and its boss, Larry Ellison, a ‘sociopath’.

C. In early June, PeopleSoft said that it would buy J.D. Edwards, a smaller rival.

D. Moreover, said Mr. Conway, he “could imagine no price nor combination of price and other conditions to recommend accepting the offer.”

E. On June 12th, PeopleSoft turned Oracle down.

A] CABDE B] CADBE C] CEDAB D] CAEBD

10. A. A few months ago I went to Princeton University to see what the young people who are going to be running our country in a few decades are like.

B. I would go to sleep in my hotel room around midnight each night, and when I awoke, my mailbox would be full of replies – sent at 1:15 a.m., 2:59 a.m., 3:23 a.m.

C. One senior told me that she went to bed around two and woke up each morning at seven; she could afford that much rest because she had learned to supplement her full day of work by studying in her sleep.

D. Faculty members gave me the names of a few dozen articulate students, and I sent them e- mails, inviting them out to lunch or dinner in small groups.

E. As she was falling asleep she would recite a math problem or a paper topic to herself; she would then sometimes dream about it, and when she woke up, the problem might be solved.

A] DABCE B] DACEB C] ADBCE D] AECBD

11. A. To avoid this, the QWERTY layout put the keys most likely to be hit in rapid succession on opposite sides. This made the keyboard slow the story goes, but that was the idea.

B. A different layout, which had been patented by August Dvorak in 1936, was shown to be much faster.

C. The QWERTY design (patented by Christopher Sholes in 1868 and sold to Remington in 1873) aimed to solve a mechanical problem of early typewriters.

D. Yet the Dvorak layout has never been widely adopted, even though (with electric typewriters and then PCs) the anti-jamming rationale for QWERTY has been defunct for years.

E. When certain combinations of keys were struck quickly, the type bars often jammed.

A] BDACE B] CEABD C] BCDEA D] CAEBD

**Direction for questions 12 to 20: Arrange sentences A, B, C and D between sentences 1 and 6 to form a logical sequence of six sentences.**

12. 1) We played with Junoonfrom Pakistan and Miles from Bangladesh, in Delhi to raise funds for the Gujarat earthquake victims.

A) Then we played in Dubai with Junoon, yet again, this time for a primarily Pakistani audience.

B) We and Junoon have become great friends.

C) No nationalistic rivalry, no slogans, no war, just making great music together.

D) It was a memorable experience, especially playing with these great musicians from our neighboring countries.

6) We hope our message of peace and togetherness rubs off.

A] ABCD B] BCAD C] DCBA D] DACB

13. 1) Brushing aside a media report that Australia would consider selling uranium to India, Australian Prime Minister John Howard today said there is no intention of changing the policy on selling the radioactive metal to countries which are not signatories to the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.

A) Commenting on the report, Howard told ABC Radio that ‘the talks do not signal a change in Australia’s policy.’

B) An Australian newspaper reported that Canberra would consider selling uranium to India and may change its rules banning such exports to countries that have not signed the NPT.

C) ‘Our policy is that we don’t sell (uranium) to anybody who’s not a party to the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty and we currently don’t have any intention of changing that,’ Howard pointed out.

D) India has not signed the NPT, Howard said, adding the meeting was a follow-up to his visit to India in March. ‘But it doesn’t indicate or flag a change of policy,’ he added.

6) The Australian Greens and Democrats have seized on reports of a meeting between Australian and Indian officials in New Delhi to discuss nuclear issues, the radio report said.

A] CDBA B] BACD C] BDCA D] ADBC

14. 1) The Pakistan Cricket Board on Wednesday brushed aside fears of any tussle between the Asian nations over the hosting of the 2011 World Cup final, saying the venue for the grand finale of the mega event will be decided through dialogue.

A) “The fact is that I am deeply touched by the letter and even though he praised Pakistan, I strongly believe that it was a joint effort that brought us the World Cup,” he said.

B) “It is not a matter of prestige,” he said adding, “The Asian countries would be meeting in July in which certain decisions regarding the 2011 World Cup would be made.”

C) "We have won the bid jointly and the manner in which Pakistan helped India over the compliance book issue and the way Indian official I S Bindra presented the bid go on to prove the joint effort and we will not let it go down the drain over the venue of the final, PCB Chairman Shaharyar Khan told a news conference in Karachi.

D) Shaharyar said he had been deeply touched by a letter from Indian Board President Sharad Pawar, which he received on Tuesday.

6) In the letter, Mr Pawar praised PCB for rescuing the bid after the new-elected BCCI office-bearers were unaware of the compliance.

A] BCDA B] CBDA C] BCAD D] ABCD

15. 1) Mr Verloc, going out in the morning, left his shop nominally in charge of his brother-in-law.

A) It was one of those grimy brick houses which existed in large quantities before the era of reconstruction dawned upon London.

B) It could be done, because there was very little business at any time, and practically none at all before the evening.

C) The shop was a square box of a place, with the front glazed in small panes.

D) The shop was small, and so was the house.

6) In the daytime the door remained closed; in the evening it stood discreetly but suspiciously ajar.

A] CBDA B] ADCB C] DBAC D] BDAC

16. 1) Novels and stories that present the world as seen through a child’s perspective often have these elements in common: a heightened sense of how frightening (and, in the case of overly sensitive children, lonely) the world can be for a young child; the callousness of classmates; the hegemony of adults, who hold all the aces; the need for a fantasy world where all the limitations of the real one don’t exist.

A) Calvin & Hobbes: Bill Watterson’s great series is, of course, first and foremost a very entertaining comic strip, treasured by millions of newspaper readers all over the world.

B) David Mitchell’s much-anticipated new novel, Black Swan Green, presents a year in the life of young Jason Taylor as he deals with the many terrors of adolescence -- a nasty stammering problem, a group of bullies at school, news of the Falklands War between England and Argentina, the dark clouds that are gathering over his parents’ marriage.

C) But the subtexts in Calvin & Hobbes run much deeper than surface appearances suggest.

D) Here are some other examples of stories that deal with the disconnection felt by precocious children or adolescents:

6) This is the story of an extremely smart kid who sees the world very differently from the way most others (including adults) around him do, and who responds by building fantasy worlds that are much more immediate and compelling than the real one.

A] BDAC B] ABCD C] DCAB D] CDAB

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 17.1: | In the middle of one side of the square sits the Chairman of the committee, the most important person in the room. | | A | For a committee is not just a mere collection of individuals. | | B | On him rests much of the responsibility for the success or failure of the committee. | | C | While this is happening we have an opportunity to get the 'feel' of this committe. | | D | As the meeting opens, he runs briskly through a number of formalities. | | 6: | From the moment its members meet, it begins to have a sort nebulous life of its own. | |
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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 18. 1: | Calcutta unlike other cities kepts its trams. | | A : | As a result there horrendous congestion. | | B: | It was going to be the first in South Asia. | | C : | They run down the centre of the road | | D : | To ease in the city decided to build an underground railway line. | | 6: | The foundation stone was laid in 1972. | |
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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 19.1: | The *Bhagavadgita* recognises the nature of man and the needs of man. | | A : | All these three aspects constitute the nature of man. | | B: | It shows how the human being is rational one, an ethical one and a spiritual one. | | C : | More than all, it must be a spiritual experience. | | D : | Nothing can give him fulfilment unless it satisfies his reason, his ethical conscience. | | 6: | A man whom does not harmonise them, is not truly human. | |
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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 20.1: | Religion is not a matter of mere dogmatic conformity. | | A : | It is not merely going through the ritual prescribed to us. | | B : | It is not a question of ceremonial piety. | | C : | Unless that kind of transformation occurs, you are not an authentically religious man. | | D : | It is the remarking of your own self, the transformation of your nature. | | 6: | A man of that character is free from fear, free from hatred. | |
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