

ASSIGNMENT-III

Directions (Q.1 and 5) : In the following questions, you have a brief passage with five questions following the passage. Read each passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives.

The Indians as a group are not cohesive. There is a lack of 'coordination' among individuals, groups, institutions and states. This lack of 'coordination' may be traced to selfishness, lack of trust and the inability to find joy in working together as a team for a common goal. This leads to divisiveness, asking for criticism, with the result images are tarnished and the main purpose is defeated. This phenomenon is visible among the bureaucrats, the politicians, the intellectuals, the business community and the sports fraternity, all those who matter and who give a poor account of themselves as a group despite individual brilliance. This contrast in human behaviour can perhaps be traced to age-old beliefs, religious tolerance, poverty and the diversity in day-to-day living conditions.

1. Why are the Indians not cohesive as a group?
 - (a) There is a lack of coordination between individuals
 - (b) There is a lack of coordination among individuals, groups and states
 - (c) There is a lack of coordination between individuals and states
 - (d) There is a lack of coordination among individuals, groups, institutions and states
2. What does lack of coordination lead to ?
 - (a) Divisiveness
 - (b) Divisiveness and asking for criticism
 - (c) Asking for criticism
 - (d) Nothing in particular
3. Which word in the passage means loss of brightness of dull?
 - (a) Brilliance
 - (b) Phenomenon
 - (c) Visible
 - (d) Tarnish
4. To what can the contrast in human behaviour be traced to?
 - (a) Age-old beliefs and diversity in day-to-day living
 - (b) Age-old beliefs and religious tolerance
 - (c) Age-old beliefs, religious tolerance, poverty and diversity in day-to-day living
 - (d) Nothing in particular

5. What does 'goal' in this passage mean ?
 - (a) The place where the ball has to pass in the football match
 - (b) The object of ambition
 - (c) A point scored by a particular team in a football match
 - (d) The poles fitted at the end of a football field

Directions (Q.6 and 10) : In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word.

6. COLOSSAL
 - (a) gigantic
 - (b) colourful
 - (c) beautiful
 - (d) fantastic
7. STUBBORN
 - (a) timid
 - (b) arrogant
 - (c) adamant
 - (d) angry
8. INVARIABLE
 - (a) usual
 - (b) universal
 - (c) constant
 - (d) similar
9. INDICTMENT
 - (a) revelation
 - (b) acquittal
 - (c) refusal
 - (d) accusation
10. DULCET
 - (a) sweet
 - (b) dull
 - (c) hard
 - (d) sour

Directions (Q.11 and 15) : In the following questions, out of four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

11. A woman whose husband is dead
 - (a) Virgin
 - (b) Spinster
 - (c) Wedlock
 - (d) Window
12. To take one to task
 - (a) Disgrace
 - (b) Handle
 - (c) Entreat
 - (d) Rebuke
13. One who uses fear as a weapon of power
 - (a) Terrorist
 - (b) Militant
 - (c) Extremist
 - (d) Anarchist
14. A small piece of wood
 - (a) Splinter
 - (b) Crumb
 - (c) Scrap
 - (d) Chip
15. Mania for setting fires
 - (a) Pyromania
 - (b) Kleptomania
 - (c) Locomania
 - (d) Nymphomania

Directions (Q.16 and 20) : In the following questions, the sentences have been given in Active/Passive voice. From the given alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the given sentence in Passive/Active voice.

16. His pocket has been picked.
 - (a) They have his pocket picked.
 - (b) Picking has been done to his pocket.
 - (c) Picked has been his pocket.
 - (d) Someone has picked his pocket.

17. The French surrendered Quebec to the English in 1759.
(a) Quebec was surrendered by the french to the English in 1759.
(b) Quebec was surrendered to the English in 1759 by the french.
(c) The English were surrendered Quebec in 1759 by the french.
(d) Quebec was surrendered in 1759 by the French to the English.
18. Someone gave her a bull dog.
(a) She was given a bull dog.
(b) A bull dog was given to her.
(c) She has been given a bull dog.
(d) She is being given a bull dog.
19. A stone struck me on the head.
(a) I was struck by a stone on the head.
(b) My head was struck by a stone.
(c) I had been struck by a stone on the head.
(d) I was struck on the head by a stone.
20. You must look into this matter.
(a) This matter has been looked into by you.
(b) This matter may be looked into by you.
(c) This matter must be looked into by you.
(d) This matter into looked by you.

Answer Sheet (Assignment-III)

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| 11. () | 12. () | 13. () | 14. () | 15. () | 16. () | 17. () | 18. (d) | 19. (a) | 20. (a) |

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