

**Concept**

**Sentence completion**

- Proactive solving
- Identifying clues
  - o Signposts → *addition to the phrase*
    - Support sign – and, similarly, in addition, since, also, thus, because, etc.
    - Contrast sign – but, despite, yet, however, unless, rather, although, etc. → *correct two opposite phrase*
  - o Root word clues *invigorate → vigour, vigantly, strengthening*
    - Prefixes
      - Positive – pro, bene, philo, etc.
      - Negative – non, un, im, in, mal, etc.
    - Suffixes
      - Positive – ble, ant, ent, en, etc.
      - Negative – less, cide, etc.
  - o Sentence structure clues
    - Cause & effect – accordingly, consequently, because, thus, for, since
    - Definition/ Restatement – comma, semicolon or colon
    - Part of speech

**Para-jumbles**

- Two types
  - o Moving Jumbles – sentences are moving with no fixed/ anchor sentences.
  - o Anchor Jumbles – 1 or 2 anchor sentences in the beginning / end of the paragraph.

**Some strategies to working on questions on Para-jumbles**

- Find the opening sentence
- Identify logical pairs to eliminate options
- Take cues from signpost words
- Match the right pronoun with the antecedents
- Look for action sequences
- Seek generic to specific transitions
- Use clues about abbreviations, the way a name is talked about and other such clues when dealing with tie-breakers

**Drill**

**Fill these blanks proactively:**

1. He thought his problems were way too \_\_\_\_\_.
2. I am not totally \_\_\_\_\_ to the idea; however, I do have some \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The job required one to have \_\_\_\_\_ ability. All the candidate's attempts to \_\_\_\_\_ the recruiter that he possessed the same in good measure were in vain.
4. The man next door, Neighbour, has been recommended by my aunt to my professor.
5. She couldn't believe that she had scored 90% in physics, \_\_\_\_\_.

**Which part-of-speech would you need to fill each of these blanks?**

1. The doctor won huge \_\_\_\_\_ for his services.
2. I had \_\_\_\_\_ reached the place, when I got a telephone call.
3. On this \_\_\_\_\_ occasion, I would like to introduce my fiancée to you all.
4. He had done all the work \_\_\_\_\_.
5. We had done the job \_\_\_\_\_.

6. The king was very proud of his \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Swami Vivekandanda was a \_\_\_\_\_.
8. He had finished his assignment and project work \_\_\_\_\_.
9. He is my best friend \_\_\_\_\_ I can't avoid inviting him.
10. He may have come to your house very often \_\_\_\_\_ that is no reason why you should go to his at this moment.

**Complete the sentence with correct answer.**

1. People often revel under the impression that only the poor and less educated people use slang, but this idea is totally \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Accurate      b. Popular      c. Erroneous      d. ineffective
2. He thought he had executed a perfect crime. His unique perfume \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. helped him with it      b. put the police on the wrong scent
  - c. made the police dogs faint      d. was his undoing
3. The beauty of the theory's simplicity is also its \_\_\_\_\_; for only by \_\_\_\_\_ the assumptions of the theory is it possible to explain the most recent observations made by researchers.
  - a. glory, avoiding      b. undoing, supplementing
  - c. virtue, negating      d. downfall, considering
4. Samuel Clemens was better known by the \_\_\_\_\_ Mark Twain, which he used as a result of his knowledge of river boat piloting.
  - a. Pseudonym      b. mountebank      c. protagonist      d. misanthrope

**Arrange each set of sentences to form a coherent paragraph. Also mention the appropriate strategy to be used for the purpose.**

1. A. and, the best part is, she never underwent any training for this.  
B. she takes less than half the average time which others take to do the same.  
C. she has always solved questions of this type very easily.
2. A. however, all of a sudden, some people began to demand that he pave way for youngsters.  
B. as though in response to this, he chose to retire from ODI's.  
C. Sachin Tendulkar is an all-time favourite of many a cricket fan across the globe.
3. A. but, when she began to listen to the husband's side of things, she began to think again.  
B. the judge began to weep after listening to her story.  
C. the husband and wife approached a family court seeking divorce.
4. A. human rights activists raised a hue and cry about the death penalty.  
B. the man who was wanted in many rape and murder cases was nabbed.  
C. at the trial, after he admitted to all the crimes he had been accused of, he was given capital punishment.
5. A. this mango seems to be an exception, he said.  
B. normally, we get sweet mangoes from his garden.  
C. we go inside his garden once a week.

**Number the following in the correct order:**

- Rahul went to his computer and worked late at night. He slept very late.
- He walked to work for about half an hour. He started his work immediately.



- At dusk he called it a day and started home where his wife and mother also live.
- Getting up early Rahul had a big breakfast.
- At home he had his food cooked by the latter.
- He did not have his lunch. He never feels hungry at lunch time.

**Concept Review Questions**

**Directions for questions 1 to 10: Choose the most logical fit for each blank.**

- Although the teasers for the TV show were absolutely \_\_\_\_\_, the show itself was well-presented, well-timed, and represented a rather \_\_\_\_\_ work.  
a. spectacular, mediocre *b. sombre, professional*  
c. explicit, vulgar *d. crude, polished*
- Despite the fact that the New Green Palm communities are *almost* \_\_\_\_\_, they leave behind a \_\_\_\_\_ legacy of architecture and furniture design.  
a. outdated, fleeting *b. inactive, demure*  
c. extinct, colossal *d. self-sufficient, vital*
- After a sudden and fierce \_\_\_\_\_ that overthrew the Prime Minister, Captain Habibi declared himself the dictator of the island nation.  
a. Nuance *b. Coup* *c. Solicitation* *d. reproach*
- His \_\_\_\_\_ speech about the landlord's tyrannical ways was heard by the people who wanted him back from \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. open, gaol *b. short, office*  
c. important, home *d. candid, exile*
- The Mayor formed a taskforce to simplify several of the \_\_\_\_\_ city orders and rules that were unnecessarily complicated and out-of-date.  
a. Contemporary *b. Practical* *c. Byzantine* *d. modern*
- The company \_\_\_\_\_ its maximum revenue during the late 90's.  
a. Reached *b. Saw* *c. Lost* *d. realised*
- Lee was cleared of all allegations; he was free of all charges \_\_\_\_\_ against him.  
a. Accused *b. Alleged* *c. Leveled* *d. vindicated*
- Since his parents had financial constraints, Gary was \_\_\_\_\_ to his uncle for paying for his college education.  
a. Forced *b. Attached* *c. Obligated* *d. demented*
- Craig found it hard to \_\_\_\_\_ himself from the problem he had created by producing fake documents.  
a. Rebuke *b. engulf* *c. Oust* *d. extricate*
- The scientist made several \_\_\_\_\_ discoveries.  
a. Innovate *b. Brilliant* *c. Well* *d. innovation*

**Direction for questions 11 to 20: Select the arrangement of each set of fragments / sentences that would make them into a coherent paragraph:**

- A. depends not on merit and ability, but on quotas based on caste  
B. or have a good work ethic as one of its core values  
C. community and gender or any other criterion, can hardly be stable  
D. a society where access to education and jobs  
a. CBDA *b. DBCA* *c. CBAD* *d. DACB*
- A. but it is also an age of short-term goals, changing career paths, decentralized structures and decision making  
B. the new age of information and society of organizations  
C. and jobs that no longer guarantee life-time employment  
a. ABDC *b. BDAC* *c. BADC* *d. ACBD*

- is not just about egalitarian teams replacing the hierarchies of yesteryear  
a. BCAD *b. BACD* *c. BDCA* *d. BDAC*
- A. the groups it is meant to benefit  
B. instead of creating more quotas  
C. the existing quotas have actually helped to improve  
D. the government would do better to look at whether  
a. DABC *b. BADC* *c. CABD* *d. BDCA*
  - A. But there are omissions and commissions in planning  
B. It is true that standard has fallen in the general sector  
C. In a period of expansion it is inevitable  
D. Some say that quantitative expansion is achieved at the expense of quality  
E. And the number of substandard institutions increased  
a. DABCE *b. DBECA* *c. BEDCA* *d. BDECA*
  - A. which has plagued animal cloning efforts  
B. primates such as humans, apes and monkeys  
C. meaning cloned babies are protected from experiencing fetal outgrowth.  
D. possess two functional copies of a gene that regulates fetal growth  
a. BADC *b. ADCB* *c. BDAC* *d. BDCA*
  - A. when compared to prosperous and progressive nations  
B. the percentage of people having basic education  
C. and that is why they are poor and backward  
D. in the under developed and developing countries is dismally low
  - A. Although there is a huge shift in the quality of ads that we come across on a daily basis, thanks essentially to improvement in technology, I somehow can't help but feel that the quality of communication of the message has become diluted.  
B. Over the years, I have had the opportunities to observe and understand the thought processes behind the ads that have been flooding both the print and the TV media.  
C. Another reason could be the burgeoning number of companies, which means an exponential increase in the number of ads that are being made.  
D. Proportionally, the number of ads that lack in quality, have gone up exponentially as well!!  
E. There is an increasing attempt by most companies to be seen as cool and funky.  
a. ACEDB *b. BAEDC* *c. CAEBD* *d. ABDEC*
  - A. he returned to acting in 1946 and gave it up in 1963, and is now a full time writer  
B. during the World War II (1939-45) he joined the US Navy and was present at the sinking of the Bismarck  
C. in 1940, he got married and started teaching at Good Samaritan School in Bloomsbury  
D. at first his writings were not recognised  
a. ABDC *b. CBAD* *c. BADC* *d. ACBD*
  - A. proper development of universities and colleges must be ensured  
B. cost benefit yardstick thus should not be applied in the case of universities  
C. universities cannot be equated with commercial enterprises

D. most of the universities in the country are now facing financial crisis

E. the current state of affairs cannot be allowed to continue for long

a. DECBA      b. CBADE      c. BADCE      d. ACBDE

20. A. Jawaharlal Nehru was born in Allahabad on 14 November, 1889

B. Nehru met Mahatma Gandhi in February, 1920

C. in 1905 he was sent to London to study at a school called Harrow

D. he became the first Prime Minister of Independent India on 15 August, 1947

E. he married Kamala Kaul in 1915

a. DECBA      b. CBADE      c. ACEBD      d. ACBDE

**Directions for questions 21 to 25: Fill in the blanks with logical links in the given passage.**

We can appreciate the importance of Chemistry if we understand what chemistry is. It is an experimental science which has the task

of 21 the materials out of which the things in the universe are made. Analyses have 22 things to be composed of elements aggregated in different 23. Millions of 24 which are used in our daily life are prepared with only a few dozen elements. Even the 25 molecule does not contain more than four or five types of elements.

21.

a. Implementing      b. Investigating      c. Inventing      d. collecting

22.

a. Revealed      b. Allowed      c. Facilitated      d. Assumed

23.

a. Shapes      b. Manners      c. Styles      d. Proportion

24.

a. Products      b. Compounds      c. Substances      d. Ornamental

25.

a. Biggest      b. Heaviest      c. Longest      d. Darkest

→ That 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mozart's death is being \_\_\_\_\_ around the world  
 with concerts and featuring the world.  
 option: (liberated, commemorated, expanded, portrayed).

→ I feel extremely tired, and so, I want to \_\_\_\_\_ funny movies, go to bed early.  
 [chat with my friends, see the doctor, watch some funny movies, go to bed early]  
 → so, and so, thus, therefore, consequently, as a result of, as a consequence (clue words)  
 (cause & effect)

→ run, run, run // run — run (dep)  
 → The MLA was committed to the interest of his supporters, the voters in his own state.  
 → Structure of sentence ⇒ S + V + O // S+V is compulsory in sentence  
 auxiliary verb connects S & V, preposition connects V & O, adjective which describes the noun  
 conjunction connects two phrases. Interjunctions sound, way of expression.

[adj - N - Adj - Adv - V - PP - adj - O]  
 [adj - N - Adj - Adv - V - PP - adj - O]

→ Jack's theory on nationalism is also gaining academy. [eagerly, abdicating, approbation, momentous]  
 ↳ giving approval

among some sections of western  
 our → adjective  
 by → adverb  
 ing, ion → Noun  
 (verb)  
 (adjective)  
 nen, tion, ion → Noun  
 No physical abstract noun  
 property

→ Panda jumbles all the options are shuffled  
 → Anchoring jumbles, top & bottom options are fixed, middle options are shuffled.

Diagram  
 WOMAN HITLER — Mother in Law  
 PARTIAL MEN  
 MOON STARTER