

Aptitude Advanced

Verbal Reasoning & Critical Reasoning

Assignment 01

Verbal and Critical Reasoning Practice Assignment 01

Directions for the question: In this question, a statement is followed by two courses of action numbered I and II. Assume everything in the statement to be true, and decide which of the suggested course(s) of action logically follow(s) for pursuing.

Mark your answer as:

Question No. : 1

Statement: There has been an unprecedented increase in the number of requests for berths in most long-distance trains during the current holiday season.

Course of action:

- I. The railway authority should immediately increase the capacity in each of these trains by attaching additional coaches.
- II. The people seeking accommodation should be advised to make their travel plan after the holiday.

- A) If only I follows.
- B) If either I or II follows.

- C) If only II follows.
- D) If neither I nor II follows.

Directions for the question: In the question below, a statement is followed by two courses of action numbered I and II. You have to assume everything in the statement to be true and on the basis of the information given in the statement.

Mark your answer as:

Question No. : 2

Statement: The prices of food grains and vegetables have substantially increased due to the prolonged strike call given by the truck owners' association.

Courses of action:

- I. The government should immediately make alternative arrangement to ensure an adequate supply of food grains and vegetable in the market.
- II. The government should take steps to cancel the licenses of all vehicles belonging to the association.

- A) If only Course of action I is strong.
- B) If only Course of action II is strong.
- C) If neither Course of action I nor II are strong.

D) If both Courses of action I and II are strong.

Directions for the question: Below the question are given two statements (A) and (B). The statement may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of the statement may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choice correctly depicts the relationship between the two statements.

Question No. : 3

I. Majority of the citizens in the locality belong to higher income group.

II. The sales in the local supermarket are comparatively much higher than in other localities.

A) I is the main cause and II is the main effect.

B) I is an effect, but II is the main cause.

C) Both I and II are independent causes.

D) Both I and II are effects of independent causes.

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Question No. : 4

A. The average sales of the cars have remained fairly constant, i.e. neither increased significantly nor dropped drastically.

B. The prices of petrol and diesel variants of cars in the domestic market have remained unchanged for the past few months.

A) If statement A is the cause and statement B is its effect.

B) If statement B is the cause and statement, A is its effect.

C) If both the statements A and B are independent causes.

D) If both the statements A and B are effects of independent causes.

E) If both the statements A and B are effects of some common cause.

Directions for the question: In the question given below, there are two statements labelled as Assertion (A) and Reason (R).

Mark your answer as:

Question No. : 5

Assertion (A): The colour of light with the shortest wavelength is violet.

Reason (R): One can notice this colour of light on one end of the rainbow which has seven colours of different wavelengths.

A) If 'A' is true, but 'R' is false.

B) If both 'A' and 'R' are true, but 'R' is not the correct explanation of 'A.'

C) If both 'A' and 'R' are true and 'R' is the correct explanation of 'A.'

D) If 'A' is false but 'R' is true.

Directions for the question: In the question given below, there are two statements labelled as Assertion (A) and Reason (R).

Mark your answer as:

Question No. : 6

Assertion (A): In the 19th century India became a victim of colonialism.

Reason (R): Industrial Revolution resulted in the need for more and more markets.

- A) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
- B) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
- C) A is true, but R is false.
- D) A is false, but R is true.

Directions for the question: In the question given below, there are two statements labelled as Assertion (A) and Reason (R).

Mark your answer as:

Question No. : 7

Assertion (A): Increase in carbon dioxide would melt polar ice.

Reason (R): Global temperature would increase.

- A) Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
- B) Both (A) and (R) are true but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A).
- C) (A) is false but (R) is true.
- D) Both (A) and (R) are false.

Directions for the question: In the question below, a statement is followed by two courses of action numbered I and II. You have to assume everything in the statement to be true and on the basis of the information given in the statement.

Mark your answer as:

Question No. : 8

Statement: A severe drought has hit the western part of the country.

Course of action:

- I. The Government should immediately make arrangements for providing financial assistance to those affected.
- II. Food, water and fodder should be sent to the affected areas to save the people and cattle.

- A) Only I follows.
- B) Only II follows.
- C) Neither I nor II follows.
- D) Both follow.

Direction for the question: Answer the question based on the information given in the passage.

Question No. : 9

Amrita Pritam's writing inspired the next generation of modernist Punjabi writers and poets. Most experts regard Pritam as an example of modernist Punjabi writing; there are some who dispute this fact. These experts say that such a description is not justified and Pritam's work is "too often evaluated and observed from a modern point of view".

Which one of the following conclusions is supported by the argument above?

- A) Amrita Pritam's work is very controversial.
- B) Amrita Pritam was the pioneer of modern Punjabi writing.
- C) Amrita Pritam's work helped develop modern Punjabi writing.
- D) Modern Punjabi writing does not owe as much to Amrita Pritam as many experts make it out to be.

Direction for the question: Answer the question based on the information given in the passage.

Question No. : 10

Franklin D. Roosevelt (1882-1945) was the well-known President of the United States who was confined to a wheelchair. Usually, people who have to depend on a wheelchair to move around find it difficult to be socially active. But despite his disability, he was able to carry out his presidential duties. He was a great man in that he did not live a life of excuses, but rather did whatever he felt had to be done. He was willing to make every effort to overcome his disability. Those, who even from the depths of adversity are able to reach heights that

ordinary people would never aspire to, all have something in common.

What can be inferred as the common attribute of the people who faced adversities?

- A) They all aspire to reach greater heights than ordinary people.
- B) They have high self-esteem and do not seek other people's help .
- C) They never bemoan their fate and accept it.
- D) They understand all the important lessons in life.

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Q. No.	Explanation
1	Correct Answer:- A Option (A) would be a preferred action as people can hardly go on a holiday after the holidays are over.
2	Correct Answer:- A The 2nd course of action is not going to serve any purpose or solve the problem and is therefore rejected. 1st course of action is logical, practical, and will minimize the impact of the strike on the system.
3	Correct Answer:- A As many rich people reside in this area the sale of the supermarket is comparatively higher.
4	Correct Answer:- B Due to prices remaining almost constant the sales has also been flat
5	Correct Answer:- B R is a fact and not the reason of A. The violet light bends the most that is why it comes in the end. So R is not the correct explanation of A.

With refraction, as light is passing from water to air, the red light is bent more than the violet. The red light comes into the observer's eye at a larger angle than the violet light, i.e., the red seems to come from higher up than the violet. that's why it is at the top

6 Correct Answer:- B

It is to be noted that R is not the correct explanation on A because industrial revolution is not the reason of why India became a victim of colonialism.

7 Correct Answer:- A

The increase in global temperature will increase carbon dioxide and will melt the polar ice.

8 Correct Answer:- D

The government will follow both the actions.

9 Correct Answer:- C

This is a tricky problem where you have to be careful about the conclusion you derive. Remember the dispute in the argument is whether Amrita Pritam is a modernist Punjabi writer or not. This means that options A, B and D cannot be conclusively proven from the facts given (as the dispute is around the facts put forward by these options). Option C is the

correct choice as her influence on Punjabi writing has not been questioned.

10 Correct Answer:- C

Statement C is correct as it correctly sums up the example given about FDR.

Statement A mentions “all”. It is not necessarily true that all people who face adversity will reach great heights. Hence, incorrect.

Statement B is also not correct because it may not be true in every case.

Statement D also gets ruled out because it is not possible that they’ll learn ALL the lessons in life.
