

Aptitude Advanced

Verbal Reasoning & Critical Reasoning

Assignment 03

Verbal and Critical Reasoning Practice Assignment 03

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. : 1

Statement: Five persons have been caught with huge arms and ammunition.

Course of action:

- I. Police should be instructed for more patrolling.
- II. The five persons should be set free and should be carefully watched to nab the other criminals.

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

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: There has been a significant drop in the water level of all the lakes supplying water to the city.

Course of action:

I. The water supply authority should impose a partial cut in supply to tackle the situation.

II. The government should appeal to all the residents through mass media for minimal use of water.

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

A. The Reserve Bank of India has asked the bank to cut down on their NPAs (Non-Performing Assets).

B. The Reserve Bank of India has decided to cut the repo rate and reverse repo rate.

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: 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. : 4

I. The literacy rate in the district has been increasing for the last two years.

II. The district administration has conducted an extensive training program for the workers involved in the literacy drive.

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.

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) : One who does not plan one's future, plans for failure.

Reason (R) : Failure is the pillar of success.

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

B) If (A) is true but (R) is false.

C) If both (A) and (R) are true but (R) is not 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 ordinary fire extinguisher, carbon dioxide is generated by the chemical reaction of sodium bicarbonate and dilute sulphuric acid.

Reason (R) :Carbon dioxide can be used to extinguish the fire.

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. : 7

Assertion (A): We feel hotter on plains than on mountains.

Reason (R) : Temperature decreases with altitude.

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.

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

Question No. : 8

Spirit Airlines inspires a special kind of wrath among the American travelling public: It's the industry leader in customer complaints by a wide margin. In spite of the rancour it inspires, Spirit has become the most profitable U.S. airline in terms of its operating margin and return on invested capital. "Customer complaints generally have a loose but inverse negative correlation to return on invested capital," Wolfe Research analyst Hunter Keay says, noting that well-liked Jet Blue, Virgin America, and Southwest Airlines lag financially.

What conclusion can we draw from the above paragraph?

- A) There really does not need to be a service component attached to consuming airfare.
- B) The commitment to make the customer happy costs money.
- C) Plenty of people think that saving \$100 or more is worth a little temporary indignity.

D) Spirit needs to help customers learn about how to fly Spirit to go where they want and keep more money in their pocket.

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

Question No. : 9

As things stand now, each country's financial system is being sustained and supported by its own government. Governments are primarily concerned with their own economies. This gives rise to financial protectionism, which threatens to disrupt and perhaps destroy global financial markets. So regulations must become international in scope. Otherwise, global financial markets will be destroyed by regulatory arbitrage.

Which of the following best captures the essence of the passage?

- A) Global markets need global regulations, but each nation is rooted in the principle of national sovereignty.
- B) Financial protectionism damages the concept of globalization.

C) Global markets need international guidelines for the smooth running of global trade.

D) Every country tries to protect its own financial interests.

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

Question No. : 10

The definition of truth and falsehood lies strictly outside our general subject, namely the analysis of mind. From the psychological standpoint, there may be different kinds of belief, and different degrees of certainty, but there cannot be any purely psychological means of distinguishing between true and false beliefs. A belief is rendered true or false by relation to a fact, which may lie outside the experience of the person entertaining the belief. Truth and falsehood, except in the case of beliefs about our own minds, depend upon the relations of mental occurrences to outside things and thus take us beyond the analysis of mental occurrences as they are in themselves.

Which one of the following can be deduced from the paragraph above?

- A) Truth and falsehood is absolute
- B) Truth and falsehood is not driven by individual beliefs
- C) Truth and falsehood is limited to the mind of a single individual only
- D) Factual verification of beliefs is the testimony to their true or false nature

Verbal and Critical Reasoning Practice Assignment 03-Answer Key

Q.No.	Explanation
1	Correct Answer:- A The second action is not logical, but police can increase patrolling in order to nab the criminals.
2	Correct Answer:- D A significant drop in the water levels of all the lakes means that strict actions have to be taken. So reducing water supply and issuing an appeal to the public, both seem correct.
3	Correct Answer:- C Both the statements I and II are independent causes as both of them are not correlated. Hence the answer is option C
4	Correct Answer:- B Because of II, statement 1 happened.
5	Correct Answer:- C Both the statements are true, but R is not the explanation of A.
6	Correct Answer:- B Both the sentences are true. However, the reason for A would have been something like –

preventing oxygen from reaching the fire.

R does not talk of that, though it is true.

7 Correct Answer:- A

Because temperature decreases with altitude that is why we feel hotter on plains than on mountains.

8 Correct Answer:- B

The answer is actually given in this line -

‘Customer complaints generally have a loose but inverse negative correlation to return on invested capital.’, which when translated into layman’s language means that you can either make profits or keep customers happy.

A – This is the philosophy of Spirit, but not the conclusion of the passage.

C – This is the rationale of the Spirit customers, but again not the conclusion.

D – This may be a future action plan by Spirit’s marketing department.

9 Correct Answer:- A

The passage says that ‘financial protectionism’ and ‘globalization’ are inversely proportional to each other. We do need regulations, but the regulations should encompass the concept of globalization. Also, this option talks about the

need for global regulations, which is not there in any other option. This has been best captured by option A.

10 Correct Answer:- D

Option A may not be true in all the cases, especially when there is no factual co-relation for truth and falsehood.

Option B negates the paragraph itself.

The case presented in option 3 may not be correct as universal facts might lead to universal truths and falsehoods (thus proving that truth and falsehood are not limited to one single individual).

Option D is essentially deduced from the lines: A belief is rendered true or false by relation to a fact, which may lie outside the experience of the person entertaining the belief.