

**Aptitude Advanced**

# Verbal Reasoning

**Assignment 03**

## Verbal Reasoning Practice Assignment 03

**Directions for the question:** In the question below is given a statement followed by two assumptions numbered I and II. An assumption is something supposed or taken for granted. You have to consider the statement and the following assumption and decide which of the assumptions is implicit in the statement.

**Question No. : 1**

**Statement :** The credit cooperative society has decided to increase the upper limit of loan to Rs. 3 lakhs.

**Assumptions:**

- I. There may be demands from the members to take loan upto Rs. 3 lakhs
- II. The credit cooperative society may have enough money to disburse such loans.

Choose the correct option

- A) If only Assumption I is implicit
- B) If only Assumption II is implicit
- C) If either I or II is implicit
- D) If neither I nor II is implicit
- E) If both I and II are implicit

**Directions for the questions 2 and 3 :** The question is followed by two arguments numbered I and II.

**Question No. : 2**

**Statement:** Should personal tax be abolished in India?

**Arguments:**

- I. Yes. It will motivate people to earn more.
- II. No. Individuals must learn to share their wealth with other people.

Choose the correct option:

- A) If only argument I is strong
- B) If only argument II is strong
- C) If either I or II is strong
- D) If neither I nor II is strong

**Question No. : 3**

**Statement:** Should there be a restriction on number of ministers in each cabinet in India?

**Arguments:**

- I. Yes, as a result of this a lot of money will be saved and the same can be used in developmental programmes.

II. No, there should not be such restrictions on democratically elected representatives and it should be left to the judgment of the leader of the council of ministers

- A) If only argument I is strong
- B) If either I or II is strong
- C) If only argument II is strong
- D) If neither I nor II is strong

**Directions for the questions 4 to 6:** In the questions below, a statement is followed by two assumptions numbered I and II. An assumption is something supposed or taken for granted.

**Question No. : 4**

**Statement:** The Union Government has decided to withdraw existing tax relief on various small savings schemes in a phased manner to augment tax collection.

**Assumptions:**

I. People may still continue to keep money in small savings schemes and also pay taxes.

II. The total tax collection may increase substantially

- A) If only assumption I is implicit
- B) If either assumption I or II is implicit
- C) If only assumption II is implicit
- D) If neither assumption I nor II is implicit

**Question No. : 5**

**Statement:** “You are hereby appointed as a programmer with a probation period of one year and your performance will be reviewed at the end of the period for confirmation.” – A line in an appointment letter.

**Assumptions:**

- I. The performance of an individual generally is not known at the time of appointment offer.
- II. Generally an individual tries to prove his worth in the probation period.

- A) If only assumption I is implicit
- B) If only assumption II is implicit
- C) If neither assumption I nor II is implicit
- D) If both assumptions I and II are implicit

**Directions for the questions 6 to 10:** Below is given a passage followed by several possible inferences which can be drawn from the facts stated in the passage. You have to examine each inference separately in the context of the passage and decide upon its degree of truth or falsity.

When the world rice prices hit \$1,000 per tonne in May 2008, more than doubling over five months, Asian governments were forced to take a serious look at their neglected agricultural sectors. Before the Asian green revolution combined the introduction of high-yield seeds for staple crops such as maize, wheat and rice with massive public expenditure on rural infrastructure. Productivity soared and famine became a thing of the past. Taxes on agriculture, mainly on exports, helped finance a shift in development strategies in the 1980s towards industry and services, building modern economies on the shoulders of the poor farmers today. most agricultural taxes have been dropped.

**Question No. : 6**

The world price of rice was about \$ 200 per tonne in January 2008.

- A) If the inference is 'definitely true', i.e. it properly follows from the statement of facts given
- B) If the inference is 'probably true' though not 'definitely true' in the light of the facts given
- C) If the 'data are inadequate', i.e. from the facts given you cannot say whether the inference is likely to be true or false
- D) If the inference is 'probably false', though not 'definitely false' in the light of the facts given
- E) If the inference is 'definitely false', i.e. it cannot possible be drawn from the facts given or it contradicts the given facts

**Question No. : 7**

The agriculture product exports were never taxed in Asian countries.

- A) If the inference is 'definitely true', i.e. it properly follows from the statement of facts given
- B) If the inference is 'probably true' though not 'definitely true' in the light of the facts given
- C) If the 'data are inadequate', i.e. from the facts given you cannot say whether the inference is likely to be true or false

- D) If the inference is 'probably false', though not 'definitely false' in the light of the facts given
- E) If the inference is 'definitely false', i.e. it cannot possible be drawn from the facts given or it contradicts the given facts.

**Question No. : 8**

High breed varieties of cereals were introduced in the developed countries in the early fifties.

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- B) If the inference is 'probably true' though not 'definitely true' in the light of the facts given
- C) If the 'data are inadequate', i.e. from the facts given you cannot say whether the inference is likely to be true or false
- D) If the inference is 'probably false', though not 'definitely false' in the light of the facts given
- E) If the inference is 'definitely false', i.e. it cannot possible be drawn from the facts given or it contradicts the given facts



**Question No. : 9**

The Govt. of Asian countries effected huge expenditure on agricultural activities in the sixties.

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- C) If the 'data are inadequate', i.e. from the facts given you cannot say whether the inference is likely to be true or false
- D) If the inference is 'probably false', though not 'definitely false' in the light of the facts given
- E) If the inference is 'definitely false', i.e. it cannot possible be drawn from the facts given or it contradicts the given facts

**Question No. : 10**

Development of industrial activities got boosted in the eighties in the Asian countries.

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## Verbal Reasoning Practice Assignment 03- Answer Key

**Q No: 1**

**Correct Answer: E**

**Explanation:** The credit co operative society has decided to increase the upper limit of loan assuming that people avail loans upto Rs 3 lakhs and also they have enough money to disburse the loans

**Q No: 2**

**Correct Answer: B**

**Explanation:** Personal tax doesn't stop people from earning more. Hence argument I is weak while argument II is strong. A welfare economy demands sharing of wealth.

**Q No: 3**

**Correct Answer: A**

**Explanation:** Statement (1) talks about saving money and using it for the benefit of the society. Hence, it is a strong argument.

Hence option (1). Also, argument 2 will be irrelevant as per the context as the decision of electing the number of representatives will only increase the number of ministers in the cabinet.

**Q No: 4**

**Correct Answer: C**

**Explanation:** The withdrawal would lead to substantial increase in the tax collected. This has to be the assumption. Hence option C

**Q No: 5**

**Correct Answer: D**

**Explanation:** Assumption 1 is valid as it is not possible to evaluate anybody on the first day of the appointment. A person would try to prove himself in the probation period as his confirmation is dependent on his performance during that period. Hence statement 2 is correct too.

**Q No: 6**

**Correct Answer: E**

**Explanation:** Refer the 1st sentence. Data given shows that it was \$ 500, 5 months ago – i.e in Jan 2008.

**Q No: 7**

**Correct Answer: E**

**Explanation:** Refer to the third sentence "Taxes on agriculture, mainly on exports, helped finance a shift in development strategies in the 1980s towards industry and services, building modern economies on the shoulders of the poor farmers." It is clearly mentioned in the paragraph. Therefore, this conclusion is definitely false.

**Q No: 8**

**Correct Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

No reference anywhere in the passage

**Q No: 9**

**Correct Answer: C**

**Explanation:** Refer sentence "Before the Asian green revolution .... with massive public expenditure on rural infrastructure." But in this the date is not known.

**Q No: 10**

**Correct Answer: A**

**Explanation:** Refer sentence "taxes on agriculture .....industry and services".