

Q 1. Choose a suitable substitute from the given options for the underlined expression.

The science and art of good eating and drinking is now a lost generation.

1. Cooking
 2. Osteopathy
 3. Gluttony
 4. Gastronomy
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- a. Only 1
 - b. Only 2
 - c. Only 3
 - d. Only 4
 - e. None of the above

Q 2. Each sentence forms a paragraph. Identify the sentence(s) or part(s) of sentence(s) that is/are correct in terms of grammar and usage (including punctuation, spelling and logical consistency). Then, choose the most appropriate option.

1. Accusations and retorts mean nothing
 2. to the few million who have lost their homes.
 3. The nightmare is far from over, for the government
 4. is still unable to reach hundreds who are marooned.
 5. the death count have just begun.
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- a. Only 1
 - b. Only 3
 - c. Both 1 and 3
 - d. 1,3 and 4
 - e. both 4 and 5

Q 3. In the question given below, a word has been used in sentences in five different ways. Find the sentence(s) in which the usage of word is incorrect and choose the appropriate option.

Round

1. The police fired a round of tear gas shells.
 2. The doctor is on a hospital round.
 3. I shall proceed further only after you come round to admitting it.
 4. We took a ride on the merry-go-round.
 5. The shop is located round the corner.
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- a. Both 1 and 3
 - b. Only 2
 - c. Only 4
 - d. Both 3 and 5
 - e. Only 5

Q 4. In the questions given below, there are five sentences having pair of word or phrases that are highlighted. From the highlighted word(s)/phrase(s) select the most appropriate word or phrase to form the correct sentences. Then, select the best one from the options given.

1. The old man has a healthy [A] **distrust** / [B] **mistrust** for all new technology.
2. This film is based on a [A] **real** / [B] **true** story.
3. For the crowds it was more of a [A] **historical** / [B] **historic** event; for their leader, it was just another day.

4. The [A] **further**/ [B] **farther** he pushed himself, the more disillusioned he grew.
5. One suspects that the [A] **compliment**/ [B] **complement** was backhanded.

- a. BABAB
- b. ABBAA
- c. BAABA
- d. BBAAB
- e. ABABA

Q 5. Paragraph given below has one highlighted word that does not make sense. Choose the most appropriate replacement(s) for that word from the given options

Women squat, heads wrapped, beside huge piles of flabby fodder and blunk oil lamps, and just about all the cows in the three towns congregate upon this spot. Sinners, petitioners and yes, even scallywags hand over a few coins for a crack at redemption and a fistful of grass.

1. sputtering
2. luminous
3. effulgent
4. resplendent

- a. Only 1
- b. Only 3
- c. Both 2 and 4
- d. Only 4
- e. Both 1 and 4

Q 6. Fill in the most appropriate word/words using the given set of options to make the sentence meaningful.

Price inflation is time and again the _____ of _____ of goods.

1. accompaniment, dearth
2. cause, destitution
3. concurrent, scarcity
4. upshot, glut

- a. Only 2
- b. Only 3
- c. Only 1
- d. Only 4
- e. Both 2 and 4

Directions (7-8)

Choose the most suitable substitute for the underlined expression from the given options in each of the following.

Q7. The thrilling narrative caused the hair on the skin to stand erect.

1. trepidation
2. horror
3. trepidity
4. terror
5. Dismay

- a. Only 3

- b. Only 1
- c. Only 5
- d. Only 2
- e. Only 4

Q8. The marriage of the princess with the commoner caused a furore among the royalty.

- 1. Union
 - 2. Fugue
 - 3. Misalliance
 - 4. Liaison
 - 5. Elopement
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- a. Only 1
 - b. Only 2
 - c. Only 3
 - d. Only 4
 - e. Both 2 and 3

Directions (9-10): Choose the grammatically correct sentence from among the four options given for each question.

Q9.

- 1. There's Mr. Tom, whom they say is the finest singer in the country.
 - 2. There's Mr. Tom, who they say is the finest singer in the country.
 - 3. There is Mr. Tom, whom they say is the finest singer in the country.
 - 4. There is Mr. Tom who, they say is the finest singer in the country.
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- a. Only 1
 - b. Both 1 and 4
 - c. Only 2
 - d. Both 2 and 3
 - e. None of the above

Q10.

- 1. Today we adore, what tomorrow we abhor; today we pursue, what tomorrow we refuse, today we wish, what tomorrow we dread.
 - 2. Today, we adore what tomorrow we abhor, today, we pursue what tomorrow we refuse, today, we wish what tomorrow we dread.
 - 3. Today we adore what tomorrow we abhor, today we pursue what tomorrow we refuse, today we wish what tomorrow we dread.
 - 4. Today we adore what tomorrow we abhor; today we pursue what tomorrow we refuse; today we wish what tomorrow we dread.
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- a. Only 2
 - b. Only 4
 - c. Both 3 and 4
 - d. Only 3
 - e. Both 1 and 4

Q 11. Statement 1: One must always have a plan but also be _____ enough to adjust to the emerging realities.

Statement 2: She has become stronger and more _____ ever since she started exercising.

- a. Wise
- b. Insane
- c. Flexible
- d. Adjusting
- e. Rigid

Q 12. Statement 1: The college administration _____ the students who were protesting by agreeing to consider their demands.

Statement 2: The clerk _____ the angry customer by apologising.

- a. Placated
- b. Provoked
- c. Calm
- d. Irritated
- e. Evoke

Q 13. Choose the word which is most similar in meaning to the word written in bold:

Feeble

- a. Brave
- b. Weak
- c. Forceful
- d. Dramatic
- e. Strong

Q 14. In the statement given below, four words have been printed in bold. One of these words may either be wrongly spelt or is grammatically wrong. Find the word that is inappropriate or not spelt correctly.

Statement: As the dates for **entrance (1)** exam / for many management colleges **clashed (2)** / last year, many candidates **complaint (3)** that / they could not **appear (4)** for a number of exams. / **No error. (5)**

- a. 4
- b. 1
- c. 5
- d. 2
- e. 3

Q 15. Choose the word which is most opposite in meaning to the word given in bold:

Trivial

- a. Insignificant
- b. Minor
- c. Important
- d. Unimportant
- e. Effortless

Directions (16-17): The following questions consist of a single sentence with one blank. You are given five words as answer choices, you have to pick up two correct words, either of which will make the sentence completely meaningful.

Q 16. The major _____ for many security professionals is whether the Brexit will make the UK more or less safe when it comes to cybersecurity.

1) Dilemma(2) Confusion(3) Solution (4) Boon(5) Advantage

- a. 1 and 2
- b. 4 and 1
- c. 3 and 5
- d. 2 and 5
- e. None of the Above

Q 17. A study conducted on young children in Delhi has shown powerful _____ that children growing up in a polluted environment have reduced lung growth as compared to children in a non-toxic environment.

1) belief(2)assurance(3)evidence(4) instance(5) proof

- a. 1 and 2
- b. 3 and 5
- c. 2 and 3
- d. 1 and 4
- e. 2 and 4

Directions (18-19): Rearrange the following five sentences in proper order and then answer the given questions:

- a. At the end of the last century we had lost 3 out of the 8 species of tigers.
- b. When it comes to the number of tigers though, I think it is too small a number to represent a species of animal.
- c. Besides, the small number, we are steadily losing a few species of animals as well.
- d. Normally, I would groan and grumble on seeing this figure of 1411 on my shopping bills as it sounds too much.
- e. These days, everywhere I go, I see hoardings saying "Just 1411 left"

Q 18. What is the correct order after rearrangement of the statements?

- a. abecd
- b. ebcad
- c. edbca
- d. cdaeb
- e. None of the above

Q 19. Which is the third sentence after rearrangement?

- a. a
- b. c
- c. e
- d. d
- e. B

Q 20. Which of the given phrases should replace the phrase printed in bold type to make the statement given below grammatically correct?

Statement: Please **take out your shoes and put out the light.**

- a. take off your shoes and switch off the light
- b. take out your shoes and put the light out
- c. take the shoes off and put out light
- d. put off your shoes and close light

- e. No correction required

Q 21. The question below has two blanks, each blank indicating that something has been omitted. Choose the set of words for each blank which best fits the meaning of the sentence as a whole.

Statement: _____ by other singers and musicians, the singer sang his heart out and even _____ the young newcomers during their act.

- a. Accompanied, cheered
- b. Helped, applauded
- c. Assisted, greeted
- d. Encouraged, judged
- e. Stopped, smiled

Q 22. Read the sentence and find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error if any will be in one part of the sentence, the number of that part will be the answer. If there is no error, mark(5) as the answer.

In spite freedom of the press is vital to democracy (1) / there is a thin line between reporting facts (2) / and expressing opinions as(3) / the line must not be crossed. (4) / No error (5)

- a. 1
- b. 2
- c. 3
- d. 4
- e. 5