

Sample Paper for SBI CBO 2023-24 Memory Based

Directions (1-7): Read the given passage and answer the following questions.

The ongoing conflict in Eastern Europe continues to have a bearing on the prices of energy, food and commodities. As observed by the World Trade Organization (WTO), though food and energy prices **receded** from their post conflict peaks by the fourth quarter last year, “they remained high by historical standards and continued to erode real incomes and import demand” during the mentioned period. The impact of energy prices was strongest during the winter months in Europe as Russia was among the largest suppliers of energy to Europe before it was sanctioned. Europe responded to the loss of gas shipments from Russia by shifting to other suppliers, including the U.S., Qatar, Norway and Algeria. This potentially increased LNG prices elsewhere such as Japan, where the prices doubled between January last year to February this year. In a period of economic slowdown, international trade, both exports and imports, falls sharply as overall demand for goods and services stand reduced. There is an **aversion** for discretionary spending which particularly weighs on some imports and postponable expenditures. It is in this light that the exports of engineering goods, gems and jewellery, chemicals, and readymade garments and plastics, along with petroleum products contracted or grew at a slower pace in 2023. Similarly, inflation, the uneven rise in prices especially of essentials such as food and energy erodes the purchasing power of an individual. However, it may happen that people in the country may turn to buying imports if they are cheaper than their indigenous products, but this is where the conversion rate may potentially have a bearing to offset the dynamics. Additionally, inflation also affects the flow of capital to a developing country.

Q1. Which of the following can be considered as an observation made by the WTO about the recession in prices last year?

- (a) Food and energy prices were lower near the end of the year than their prices peaked during the conflict in Eastern Europe.
- (b) Food and energy prices reached their peak during the conflict in Eastern Europe but remained consistently high throughout the year.
- (c) Europe saw a recession in prices and imports, whereas Japan suffered an increase in prices last year.
- (d) Both (a) and (b)
- (e) All of the above

Q2. How does the loss of a source of imports for countries affect the economy globally according to the passage?

- (a) Stagnation in import prices due to conflicting trades observed globally.
- (b) Possible decrease in prices for the countries importing the commodities.
- (c) Increased prices in countries which have lost their original sources of imports.
- (d) Higher prices of the imported commodities considering higher demand of the commodity worldwide.
- (e) The loss of a source of imports has no significant impact on the global economy.



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Q3. According to the instances in the passage, how can countries make up for lost sources of imports?

- (a) Increasing the budget for imports for lost imports to attract sellers
- (b) Decreasing reliance on the products with import restrictions
- (c) Looking to other countries which could act as possible sources of the commodity
- (d) Increasing domestic generation and production to make up for lack of imports
- (e) Introducing relaxation in import duties to attract more imports

Q4. Why do certain commodities see lower imports and exports during a period of economic slowdown and inflation?

- (I) Availability of these commodities for imports increases
- (II) Only non-essential commodities are purchased and imported.
- (III) Imports of these commodities are not considered necessary.
- (IV) People spend less on purchase of these commodities.
- (V) Government subsidies boost imports of these commodities.

- (a) (I), (II), (III), and (V)
- (b) Both (III) and, (IV)
- (c) (III), (IV), and (V)
- (d) (I), (II), and (IV)
- (e) All of these

Q5. Which of the following statements regarding inflation can be considered to be correct on the basis of the passage?

- (a) There is a substantial rise in costs for essentials during a period of inflation.
- (b) Inflation leads to a decrease in the flow of capital to developing countries.
- (c) Inflation always leads to a decrease in the availability of essential products.
- (d) Both (a) and (b)
- (e) Both (b) and (c)

Q6. Choose the word most similar in meaning to the word “receded” as used in the passage.

- (a) advanced
- (b) diminished
- (c) escalated
- (d) restored
- (e) elevated

Q7. Choose the word opposite to the word “aversion” as used in the passage.

- (a) preference
- (b) amiable
- (c) loathing
- (d) disinclination
- (e) dislike

Directions (9-10): In each of the following questions, a sentence is given with a part in bold. The given phrase in the bold may or may not contain an error. One of the following options can replace the incorrect phrase. The correct phrase that is to be replaced will be your answer. If the sentences are correct then select option (e) i.e. 'No improvement required' as your answer.

Q9. The dog wagged **it's tail excitedly as it chased** the ball in the park.

- (a) its excitedly as it chase
- (b) it is tail excitedly as it chased
- (c) its tail excitedly as it chased
- (d) its tail excitedly as it chases
- (e) No improvement required

Q10. **Each of the students have** to submit his/her assignments by tomorrow.

- (a) Each of the student had
- (b) Each of the students has
- (c) Each of the students had
- (d) Each of the student has
- (e) No improvement required

Directions (10-13): In each of the question given below, a statement has been given with a blank. Some words have been given in the options following the statement. Choose the most appropriate word that could fit in the statement to make it contextually meaningful and grammatically correct.

Q10. The concert was cancelled at the last moment due to the lead singer's _____ illness.

- (a) sudden
- (b) chronic
- (c) lethargic
- (d) imaginary
- (e) trivial

Q11. The new employee's _____ demeanour made it easy for colleagues to approach and work with him.

- (a) aloof
- (b) cheerful
- (c) indifferent
- (d) arrogant
- (e) reserved

Q12. The team's _____ efforts resulted in the successful completion of the project ahead of schedule.

- (a) collaborative
- (b) independent
- (c) lacklustre
- (d) disorganized
- (e) competitive

Q13. The comedian's _____ jokes had the audience laughing throughout the entire show.

- (a) stale
- (b) offensive
- (c) predictable
- (d) witty
- (e) dull

Directions (14-18): Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is 'No error', the answer is 'e'. (Ignore errors of punctuation, if any).

Q14. Despite the challenges, (A)/ I am determined to accomplish (B)/ my all dreams and make a (C)/ positive impact on the world (D).

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No error

Q15. Her style of fashion (A)/ is truly most unique (B)/ and stands out (C)/from the crowd (D).

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No error

Q16. India aims to become (A)/ a leading biomanufacturing hub (B)/ with plans to increase (C)/ fermentation capacity tenfold (D)

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No error

Q17. Each of the students (A)/ in the class (B)/ have submitted (C)/ their assignments on time (D).

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No error

Q18. The woman who's (A)/ car broke down (B)/ on the highway called (C)/ for roadside assistance (D).

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) No error

Directions (19-20): In each of the following questions, a sentence has been divided into four phrases. These phrases may or may not have been placed in their correct positions. Identify the correct rearrangement of the phrases to make the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful and mark that option as your answer.

Q19. schools with a large (A)/ were plenty of single-teacher (B)/ in many states there (C)/ number of children (D).

- (a) DABC
- (b) ABDC
- (c) CBAD
- (d) ACBD
- (e) No rearrangement required

Q20. an unhealthy diet is the (A)/ the main culprit (B)/ disease, with excess sodium being (C)/ leading cause of non-communicable (D).

- (a) DABC
- (b) ADCB
- (c) CADB
- (d) ACBD
- (e) No rearrangement required

Directions (21-25): In each of the questions given below, four words have been highlighted. These four words may or may not have been placed in their correct positions. The sentence is then followed by options with the correct combination of words that should replace each other in order to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct. Find the correct combination of the words that should replace each other. If the sentence is correct as it is, then select option (e) as your choice.

Q21. The company's marketing **demographics** (A) includes **advertising** (B) specific **strategy** (C) and using digital platforms for **targeting** (D).

- (a) A-B
- (b) A-B & C-D
- (c) C-D
- (d) A-C & B-D
- (e) No replacement required

Q22. The new educational curriculum **skills** (A) on developing **critical** (B) thinking and problem-solving **focuses** (C) among **students** (D).

- (a) A-C
- (b) B-C
- (c) C-D
- (d) A-C & B-D
- (e) No replacement required

Q23. The healthcare system needs to **safety** (A) patient's **prioritize** (B) and provide **treatment** (C) and affordable **efficient** (D) options.

- (a) A-D
- (b) B-C
- (c) A-B & C-D
- (d) A-C & B-D
- (e) No replacement required

Q24. The environmental crisis **requires** (A) urgent action and **future** (B) among governments in order to **preserve** (C) our planet for **cooperation** (D) generations.

- (a) A-C
- (b) B-D
- (c) A-B & C-D
- (d) A-D & B-C
- (e) No replacement required

Q25. The novel **depths (A)** a fascinating story with **explores (B)** characters that **relatable (C)** the **provides (D)** of human emotion.

- (a) A-C
- (b) B-D
- (c) A-B & C-D
- (d) A-D & B-C
- (e) No replacement required

Directions (26-30): In the following passage there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, a few options are given. Find out the appropriate word which fits the blank appropriately.

Traffic congestion has become a/an _____ (26) issue in urban areas worldwide. The rapid increase in population, coupled with the growing number of vehicles on the road, has resulted in _____ (27) traffic conditions. The consequences of traffic problems are far-reaching and affect various aspects of daily life. One of the major impacts of traffic congestion is increased travel time. Commuters spend hours stuck in traffic, leading to _____ (28), stress, and decreased productivity. Additionally, traffic jams contribute to air pollution and environmental degradation. The constant _____ (29) of vehicles emits harmful pollutants, contributing to respiratory problems and climate change. Moreover, traffic congestion has a significant economic _____ (30). Businesses suffer from delayed deliveries and increased transportation costs.

Q26. (a) integrate
(b) prompt
(c) eminent
(d) pressing
(e) mulling

Q27. (a) chaotic
(b) preamble
(c) rational
(d) subsume
(e) tweak

Q28. (a) brevity
(b) conquer
(c) frustration
(d) coercion
(e) intrusion

Q29. (a) tussling

(b) idling

(c) appeasing

(d) shrouding

(e) forging

Q30. (a) ravage

(b) meagre

(c) impetus

(d) fathom

(e) impact

Directions (31-35): A number arrangement machine when given an input line of words and numbers rearranges them following a particular rule in each step. The following is an illustration of input and rearrangement.

Input: 4553 3344 6677 2281 4246 5622 1190

Step I: 17 14 26 13 16 15 11

Step II: 48 15 32 8 35 24 0

Step III: 24 12 10 16 16 12 0

Step IV: 12 3 1 35 35 3 0

Step V: 0 1 3 3 12 35 35

Step V is the last step of the rearrangement. As per the rules followed in the above steps, find out in each of the following questions the appropriate steps for the given input. Input for the questions is as follows:

Input: 4986 5413 1295 3451 2348 5344 7213

Q31. How many steps are needed to get the output?

(a) Ten

(b) Six

(c) Five

(d) Eight

(e) Seven

Q32. What is the difference between the sum of all the even numbers in step II and the sum of all the odd numbers in step III of the given input?

(a) 96

(b) 111

(c) 120

(d) 99

(e) 84

Q33. In which of the following step '24 16 24 16' is found in the same order of the given input?

- (a) Step I
- (b) Step II
- (c) Step III
- (d) Step IV
- (e) Step V

Q34. Which of the following number is third to the right of the second number from the left end in step V?

- (a) 12
- (b) Either 12 or 35
- (c) 35
- (d) 63
- (e) None of these

Q35. If we add one to all the even numbers and subtract one from all the odd numbers in step II, then how many numbers will be divisible by 7?

- (a) One
- (b) Two
- (c) Three
- (d) None
- (e) More than three

Directions (36-38): Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below:

P & Q means P is daughter of Q

P % Q means P is father of Q

P @ Q means P is son of Q

P # Q means P is spouse of Q

P \$ Q means P is sister of Q

P Ω Q means P is brother of Q

Conditions: B \$ D @ A # C \$ I; F # D % G Ω K; H # E & B # J

Q36. How is K related to A?

- (a) Grand daughter
- (b) Brother
- (c) Sister-in-law
- (d) Grand son
- (e) Can't be determined

Q37. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way and hence form a group. Find the one who doesn't belong to that group.

- (a) A
- (b) D
- (c) E
- (d) J
- (e) H

Q38. If I is husband of X then how is X related to C?

- (a) Sister
- (b) Sister-in-law
- (c) Niece
- (d) Mother-in-law
- (e) None of these

Directions (39-40): In the following questions, the symbols &, %, \$, # and @ are used with the following meanings as described below:

A#B means A is neither greater nor smaller than B

A\$B means A is neither smaller nor equal to B

A&B means A is neither greater nor equal to B

A@B means A is not smaller than B

A% B means A is not greater than B

Here, assuming the given statements to be true and find out which of the two given conclusions is/are definitely true. Give answer.

- (a) If only II is true
- (b) If either I or II is true
- (c) If Both I and II are true
- (d) If only I is true
- (e) If neither I nor II is true

Q39. Statement: R@L, L\$M, M@U, U@T, T&G, G#P

Conclusions: I. G&L II. L%P

Q40. Statement: E&P, P%W, W#S, S\$B, B@K

Conclusions: I. K%W II. SSE

Directions (41-42): Read the information carefully and answer the questions based on the given expression:

P # Q means P is 12m north of Q.

P % Q means P is 4m east of Q

P @ Q means P is 7m south of Q

P Ω Q means P is 10m west of Q

Expression: F Ω E, A @ E, B % A, G # B, K # H, C @ B, H % C, D Ω C

Q41. What is the direction of K with respect to F?

- (a) South-east
- (b) East
- (c) None of these
- (d) South-west
- (e) North-east

Q42. What is the total distance between D and A?

- (a) 23m
- (b) 21m
- (c) 24m
- (d) 22m
- (e) None of these

Directions (43-45): In each of the questions below, some statements are given followed by some conclusions. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance with commonly known facts. The relation of the elements is given with some symbols as given below. Read all the conclusions and decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the statements.

A % B means Some A is B

A & B means All A is B

A # B means Only B is A

A @ B means No A is B

A \$ B means Only a few A is B

* Means possibility,

e.g., A %* B means Some A can be B

Q43. Statements: Room % Décor, Yak # Moon, Hall \$ Moon, Décor @ Moon, Décor % Hall

Conclusions: I. Room %* Moon

II. Yak @ Hall

III. Hall &* Moon

IV. Décor % Yak

- (a) Only II follows
- (b) Both II and III follow
- (c) None follows
- (d) Both IV and III follow
- (e) Both I and II follow

Q44. Statements: Hut % Sheep @ Rabbit, Buffalo \$ Sheep, Rabbit & Timber

Conclusions: I. Hut %* Rabbit

- II. Buffalo @ Rabbit
- III. Sheep &* Timber
- IV. Buffalo %* Hut

- (a) Only II follows
- (b) I, III and IV follow
- (c) None follows
- (d) Both III and IV follows
- (e) Both I and IV follow

Q45. Statements: Fisher & Crush % Oak % Parrot, Water \$ Oak

Conclusions: I. Fisher %* Water

- II. Oak & Crush
- III. Parrot @ Crush
- IV. Water %* Parrot

- (a) Only II follows
- (b) Both II and III follow
- (c) None follows
- (d) Both I and IV follow
- (e) All I, II, III and IV follow



Directions (46-50): Study the following information carefully and answer the related questions:

In a certain code language

- 'Regions Culture And Economy' is coded as '6T\$ 6E@ 2C\$ 6G\$'
- 'Different Color Sensitive Range' is coded as '8F\$ 4E\$ 8U@ 4T@'
- 'Light Striking The Retina' is coded as '4N\$ 7U\$ 2V@ 5T@'
- 'Layers That Separate Segment' is coded as '5N\$ 3V\$ 7U@ 6U\$'

Q46. What will be the code for 'Biometric'?

- (a) 9D\$
- (b) 8D@
- (c) 9B@
- (d) 8D\$
- (e) 9B\$

Q47. Which of the following word is coded as '7S\$'?

- (a) Segment
- (b) Instance
- (c) Question
- (d) Duration
- (e) Quadrate

Q48. Which of the following given pair is incorrect?

- (a) Camera – 5E@
- (b) Housing – 6J\$
- (c) Vacuum – 5W\$
- (d) Improve – 6K@
- (e) Relation – 7T\$

Q49. What will be the code for 'Color Method'?

- (a) 50@ 4E@
- (b) 5E\$ 60\$
- (c) 4E\$ 50\$
- (d) 40\$ 5E@
- (e) None of the above

Q50. Which of the following is the correct code for 'Powerful'?

- (a) 70\$
- (b) 8R@
- (c) 60\$
- (d) 7R\$
- (e) 70@

Solutions

S1. Ans.(a)

Sol. The correct observation made by the WTO about the recession in prices last year is option (a) - "Food and energy prices were lower near the end of the year than their peak prices during the conflict in Eastern Europe." The passage states, "though food and energy prices receded from their post-conflict peaks by the fourth quarter last year, they remained high by historical standards." This means that the prices of food and energy were lower at the end of the year compared to their peak levels during the conflict, but they were still relatively high historically.

Options (b) is incorrect: This option is incorrect because it inaccurately suggests that prices remained consistently high throughout the year, whereas the passage indicates that while prices receded from their post-conflict peaks, they were still high by historical standards.

Option (c) is incorrect: This option incorrectly suggests that Europe experienced a recession in prices and imports, which contradicts the passage where it mentions that food and energy prices receded from their post-conflict peaks, and there was a shift in energy suppliers. Additionally, it falsely implies that Japan saw an increase in prices, whereas the passage mentions that LNG prices in Japan doubled between January last year to February this year. Also, the statement by option (c) is not an observation made by the WTO, but the author.

Option (d) is incorrect because only option (a) is the correct observation made by the WTO.

Option (e) is incorrect because it includes incorrect statements (b) and (c).

S2. Ans.(c)

Sol. According to the passage, the loss of a source of imports for countries affects the economy globally by causing "increased prices in countries which have lost their original sources of imports." The passage mentions that when Europe lost gas shipments from Russia due to sanctions, they shifted to other suppliers, including the U.S., Qatar, Norway, and Algeria. This shift potentially increased LNG prices elsewhere, such as Japan, where the prices doubled between January last year to February this year. This indicates that the countries that lost their original sources of imports experienced an increase in prices as they had to rely on alternative, possibly more expensive, suppliers.

Option (a) is incorrect because the passage doesn't mention "stagnation in import prices due to conflicting trades observed globally."

Option (b) is incorrect because the passage doesn't suggest a "possible decrease in prices" for the countries importing the commodities.

Option (d) is incorrect because the passage doesn't mention "higher prices of the imported commodities considering higher demand for the commodity worldwide."

Option (e) is incorrect because the correct interpretation of the passage is that the loss of a source of imports can indeed have an impact on the global economy, particularly in terms of price fluctuations and shifts in trade dynamics.

S3. Ans.(c)

Sol. According to the passage, countries can make up for lost sources of imports by "looking to other countries that could act as possible sources of the commodity." When Europe lost gas shipments from Russia, they responded by shifting to other suppliers, including the U.S., Qatar, Norway, and Algeria. This indicates that countries can search for alternative suppliers to replace the lost sources of imports.

Option (a) is incorrect because the passage doesn't mention "increasing the budget for imports for lost imports to attract sellers."

Option (b) is incorrect because the passage doesn't discuss "decreasing reliance on the products with import restrictions" as a way to make up for lost sources of imports.

Option (d) is incorrect because although increasing domestic generation and production might be a response to the loss of imports, the passage doesn't specifically mention it as a way to "make up" for the lack of imports.

Option (e) is incorrect because the passage doesn't suggest "introducing relaxation in import duties to attract more imports" as a response to the loss of sources of imports.

S4. Ans.(b)

Sol. The commodities see lower imports and exports during a period of economic slowdown and inflation due to reasons mentioned in options (III) and (IV):

(III) Imports of these commodities are not considered necessary: The passage states, "There is an aversion for discretionary spending which particularly weighs on some imports and postponable expenditures." During an economic slowdown, people may avoid spending on non-essential items, which can include certain commodities, leading to lower imports and exports.

(IV) People spend less on the purchase of these commodities: The passage suggests that during a period of economic slowdown, there is reduced overall demand for goods and services, and people may spend less on non-essential commodities, leading to lower imports and exports of these items.

Incorrect statements:

(I) Availability of these commodities for imports increases: This statement does not explain why certain commodities see lower imports and exports during an economic slowdown and inflation. In such periods, demand typically decreases, leading to reduced imports and exports, not an increase in the availability of imported commodities.

(II) Only non-essential commodities are purchased and imported: During an economic slowdown and inflation, people tend to reduce spending on non-essential or discretionary commodities. As a result, imports of non-essential commodities can decline, which is a valid explanation for lower imports and exports.

(V) Government subsidies boost imports of these commodities: This statement suggests that government subsidies encourage imports of certain commodities, which is not typically an explanation for lower imports and exports during economic slowdown and inflation.

S5. Ans.(d)

Sol. "However, it may happen that people in the country may turn to buying imports if they are cheaper than their indigenous products..."

Both statements (a) and (b) can be considered correct based on the passage.

(a) There is a substantial rise in costs for essentials during a period of inflation: The passage mentions, "inflation, the uneven rise in prices especially of essentials such as food and energy erodes the purchasing power of an individual." This indicates that during inflation, the costs of essential items like food and energy tend to rise substantially, which reduces the purchasing power of consumers.

(b) Inflation leads to a decrease in the flow of capital to developing countries: The flow of capital to developing countries could decrease due to concerns about the stability of their currency and economy. This can be verified by the lines from the second paragraph which state that, "...inflation also affects the flow of capital to a developing country." As the economic effects on the flow of capital cannot be positive, the statement by option (b) is deemed correct.

Option (c) is incorrect. Inflation always leads to a decrease in the availability of essential products:

This statement is incorrect because the passage does not state that inflation always leads to a decrease in the availability of essential products. The passage mentions that inflation can lead to an uneven rise in prices, especially of essentials like food and energy. However, it doesn't suggest that the availability of these essential products always decreases during inflation.

Realising the difference between the author's intent with these statements and the statement by option (c) validates eliminating the possibility of this option as the answer.

Option (e) is incorrect because it combines incorrect statement (c) with correct statement (b).

S6. Ans.(b)

Sol. "Receded" is defined as "to move back or withdraw." Let's analyse each word by its definition and compare with the context.

(a) advanced: "Advanced" means to move forward or make progress. It is the opposite of "receded" which means to move backward or withdraw.

(b) diminished: "Diminished" means to decrease or reduce in size, extent, or importance. In the context of the passage, it relates to the decrease of food and energy prices from their peak levels, which is synonymous with "receded."

The word "receded" in the passage means to move back or withdraw. It refers to the decrease or retreat of food and energy prices from their peak levels during the conflict in Eastern Europe. "Diminished" is a suitable synonym for "receded" because it means to decrease or reduce in size, extent, or importance, which aligns with the concept of the prices decreasing from their highest point.

(c) escalated: "Escalated" means to increase or intensify, usually in a rapid or significant manner. This is the opposite of "receded," which denotes a decrease or reduction.

(d) restored: "Restored" means to bring back or return something to its original or previous state. It is not synonymous with "receded," as "receded" refers to a backward movement or reduction, while "restored" implies a return to a previous state.

(e) elevated: "Elevated" means to raise or lift to a higher position or level: For example, an elevated platform or an elevated railway.

Therefore, the correct answer is (b) diminished (synonym for "receded")

S7. Ans.(a)

Sol. "Aversion" is defined as "a strong dislike or disinclination". Let's analyse each word by its definition and compare with the context.

(a) preference: "Preference" means a greater liking or inclination for one option over another. It is the opposite of "aversion," which means a strong dislike or avoidance of something.

The word "aversion" in the passage means a strong dislike or avoidance of something. It relates to the aversion towards discretionary spending and certain imports during a period of economic slowdown. "Preference" is an appropriate antonym for "aversion" because it means a greater liking or inclination for one option over another, indicating a positive and favourable feeling towards something rather than a strong dislike or avoidance.

(b) amiable: "amiable" is an adjective that describes a person's disposition or character in a positive way.

(c) loathing: "Loathing" means a feeling of intense dislike or disgust. It is synonymous with "aversion," not an antonym.

(d) disinclination: "Disinclination" means a lack of enthusiasm or a mild reluctance towards something. It is related to "aversion" as it represents a reluctance or lack of preference for something.

(e) dislike: "Dislike" means a feeling of not liking or having a negative opinion about something. It is synonymous with "aversion," not an antonym.

Therefore, the correct answer is (a) preference (antonym for "aversion")

S9. Ans.(c)

Sol. The highlighted phrase contains an incorrect usage of the possessive pronoun "it's." The correct form is "its" without an apostrophe.

(a) its excitedly as it chase: This option contains a subject-verb agreement error. The verb "chase" does not agree with the subject "it," which requires the verb form "chased" to be in the past tense.

(b) it is tail excitedly as it chased: This option contains an incorrect usage of the possessive pronoun "it's." The correct form is "its" without an apostrophe. Additionally, the verb "chased" is the correct past tense form, indicating an action that has already happened.

(c) its tail excitedly as it chased: This option correctly uses the possessive pronoun "its" without an apostrophe. Additionally, the verb "chased" is the correct past tense form, indicating an action that has already happened. Thus, this option is the correct choice.

(d) its tail excitedly as it chases: This option contains a verb tense error. The verb "chases" is in the present tense, which does not align with the past tense "wagged" earlier in the sentence.

(e) it's tail excitedly as it chase: This option contains an incorrect usage of the possessive pronoun "it's." The correct form is "its" without an apostrophe. Additionally, the verb "chase" does not agree with the subject "it," which requires the verb form "chased" to be in the past tense.

The correct answer is (c) its tail excitedly as it chased.

S10. Ans.(b)

Sol. The original phrase, "Each of the students have", contains a subject-verb agreement error. The phrase "Each of the students" requires the singular verb form "has" instead of the plural verb form "have."

(a) Each of the student had: This option contains a subject-verb agreement error. The phrase "Each of the student" should be "Each of the students" to agree with the plural verb form "had." Additionally, using the past tense "had" does not convey the requirement to submit assignments by tomorrow.

(b) Each of the students has: This option correctly uses the singular verb form "has" to agree with the subject "Each of the students." Thus, this option is the correct choice.

(c) Each of the students had: This option uses the past tense verb "had," which does not convey the requirement to submit assignments by tomorrow. The sentence is discussing a present or future obligation, so the past tense is not appropriate here.

(d) Each of the student has: This option contains a subject-verb agreement error. The phrase "Each of the student" should be "Each of the students" to agree with the plural verb form "has."

The correct answer is (b) Each of the students has.

S10. Ans.(a)**Sol.**

- (a) sudden: This option is the most appropriate choice as it implies that the lead singer's illness came unexpectedly or without warning, resulting in the cancellation of the concert.
- (b) chronic: This option refers to a long-lasting or recurring condition, which does not align with the context of the lead singer's illness causing a sudden cancellation.
- (c) lethargic: means affected by lethargy; sluggish and apathetic. It is inappropriate in the context.
- (d) imaginary: This option means that the lead singer's illness is not real or exists only in the imagination, which is not a valid reason for cancelling a concert.
- (e) trivial: This option indicates that the lead singer's illness is unimportant or inconsequential, which does not justify cancelling a concert.

Therefore, the most appropriate word to fill the blank is "sudden" as it accurately reflects the unexpected nature of the lead singer's illness and its impact on the concert.

S11. Ans.(b)**Sol.**

- (a) aloof: This option suggests a distant or unfriendly attitude, which contradicts the idea of the new employee being easy to approach and work with.
- (b) cheerful: This option is the most suitable choice as it implies a positive and friendly demeanour, making it easy for colleagues to approach and work with the new employee.
- (c) indifferent: This option means having a lack of interest or concern, which does not align with the idea of being easy to approach and work with.
- (d) arrogant: This option refers to a haughty or superior attitude, which is not conducive to a positive working relationship and contradicts the context.
- (e) reserved: This option implies being quiet or introverted, but it does not explicitly convey a positive or approachable demeanour.

The most appropriate word to fill the blank is "cheerful" as it accurately reflects the positive and friendly demeanour of the new employee, facilitating interactions with colleagues.

S12. Ans.(a)**Sol.**

- (a) collaborative: This option is the most suitable choice as it implies working together as a team, which is consistent with the successful completion of the project ahead of schedule.
- (b) independent: This option refers to individual efforts and does not convey the idea of teamwork, which is necessary for the successful completion of a project.
- (c) lacklustre: This option means lacking enthusiasm or effort, which contradicts the context of the team's efforts resulting in a successful and timely project completion.
- (d) disorganized: This option suggests a lack of structure or order, which would hinder rather than facilitate the successful completion of the project ahead of schedule.
- (e) competitive: This option implies a focus on outperforming others rather than collaborative teamwork, which is not suitable in the given context.

Therefore, the most appropriate word to fill the blank is "collaborative" as it accurately reflects the collective efforts of the team leading to the successful and timely completion of the project.

S13. Ans.(d)**Sol.**

(a) stale: This option means lacking freshness or originality, which is contradictory to the jokes having the audience laughing throughout the entire show.

(b) offensive: This option suggests that the jokes are disrespectful, hurtful, or inappropriate, which is not consistent with the audience's positive reaction.

(c) predictable: This option implies that the jokes are easily anticipated or lack surprise, which does not align with the idea of the audience continuously laughing.

(d) witty: This option is the most appropriate choice as it indicates clever and humorous jokes that evoke laughter from the audience throughout the entire show.

(e) dull: This option means lacking interest or excitement, which does not reflect the positive audience response mentioned in the sentence.

The most appropriate word to fill the blank is "witty" as it accurately captures the comedian's ability to deliver clever and humorous jokes that entertained the audience throughout the entire show.

S14. Ans.(c)

Sol. The error is in part (C). Possessive adjectives must be placed after 'All' and 'Both' and not before them. Therefore, the correct structure of sentence will be, "Despite the challenges, I am determined to accomplish all my dreams and make a positive impact on the world"

S15. Ans.(b)

Sol. The error is in part (B). Some adjectives are not used in comparative or superlative degree. Some of those adjectives are 'interior', 'exterior', 'complete', 'perfect', 'final', 'last', 'unique', 'absolute', 'impossible', 'supreme', etc. Therefore, 'most' should be removed before 'unique'.

S16. Ans.(e)

Sol. The sentence is error-free.

S17. Ans.(c)

Sol. The error is in part (C). When using "each" or "every," the verb should be in the singular form. Therefore, "have" should be replaced with "has."

S18. Ans.(a)

Sol. The error is in part (A). Here, relative pronoun 'whose' should be used in the place of contracted form of 'who is'.

"Whose" is a pronoun used to indicate possession or ownership.

"Who's" is a contraction of "who is" or "who has." It is used as a shortened form in a sentence.

S19. Ans.(c)

Sol. The correct rearrangement of the given phrases is CBAD. After the rearrangement the sentence will be, "In many states there were plenty of single-teacher schools with a large number of children"

S20. Ans.(b)

Sol. The correct rearrangement of the given phrases is ADCB. After the rearrangement the sentence will be, "An unhealthy diet is the leading cause of non-communicable disease, with excess sodium being the main culprit"

S21. Ans.(d)

Sol. The correct interchanges to make the sentence meaningful are A-C and B-D. After interchanges the meaningful sentence is, "The company's marketing strategy includes targeting specific demographics and using digital platforms for advertising."

S22. Ans.(a)

Sol. The correct interchange to make the sentence meaningful is A-C. After interchange the meaningful sentence is, "The new educational curriculum focuses on developing critical thinking and problem-solving skills among students."

S23. Ans.(c)

Sol. The correct interchanges to make the sentence meaningful are A-B and C-D. After interchanges the meaningful sentence is, "The healthcare system needs to prioritize patient's safety and provide efficient and affordable treatment options."

S24. Ans.(b)

Sol. The correct interchange to make the sentence meaningful is B-D. After interchange the meaningful sentence is, "The environmental crisis requires urgent action and cooperation among governments in order to preserve our planet for future generations."

S25. Ans.(d)

Sol. The correct interchanges are A-D and B-C. After the interchanges the meaningful sentence is, "The novel provides a fascinating story with relatable characters that explores the depths of human emotion."

S26. Ans.(d)

Sol. The passage is mentioning traffic congestion which has become a critical issue in urban areas globally. Therefore, the correct word for the blank is 'pressing'. All other options are grammatically and contextually incorrect.

- (a) Integrate: To combine or bring together different parts into a whole or to become part of a larger whole.
- (b) Prompt: To stimulate or encourage action or response; to cause someone to do something without delay.
- (c) Eminent: Distinguished or highly respected; famous or renowned for a particular quality, skill, or achievement.
- (d) Pressing: Urgent or demanding immediate attention or action; requiring immediate action or resolution.
- (e) Mulling: Thinking deeply or considering something carefully; pondering or reflecting upon a decision or idea.

S27. Ans.(a)

Sol. The concerned sentence mentions the reasons for traffic congestion which are an increase in population and a growing number of vehicles. Therefore, the correct word for the blank is 'chaotic'. All other options are grammatically and contextually incorrect.

- (a) Chaotic: Characterized by disorder, confusion, or unpredictability; lacking organization or coherence.
- (b) Preamble: An introductory statement or preliminary explanation, often used to precede a formal document or speech.
- (c) Rational: Based on reason, logic, or sound judgment; sensible and reasonable.
- (d) Subsume: To include or incorporate something within a larger category or concept; to consider something as a subordinate part of a larger whole.
- (e) Tweak: To make small adjustments or modifications to something in order to improve or fine-tune it.

S28. Ans.(c)

Sol. The concerned sentence is mentioning that commuters spend hours stuck in traffic which leads to frustration, stress and decreased productivity. Therefore, the correct word for the blank is 'frustration'. All other options are grammatically and contextually incorrect.

- (a) Brevity: The quality or state of being brief or concise; expressing something in a concise and precise manner.
- (b) Conquer: To overcome or defeat by force or skill; to gain control or mastery over something or someone.
- (c) Frustration: The feeling of being upset, annoyed, or disappointed due to the inability to achieve a desired goal or fulfill a certain expectation.
- (d) Coercion: The act of using force, threats, or intimidation to make someone do something against their will.
- (e) Intrusion: The act of entering or interrupting someone's space, privacy, or affairs without invitation or permission; an unwelcome or unwanted interference.

S29. Ans.(b)

Sol. The concerned sentence mentions the constant idling of vehicles emitting harmful pollutants. Therefore, the correct word for the blank is 'idling'. All other options are grammatically and contextually incorrect.

- (a) Tussling: Engaging in a physical or verbal struggle or conflict; grappling or wrestling with someone or something.
- (b) Idling: Remaining inactive or not engaged in any specific activity; wasting time or being unproductive.
- (c) Appeasing: Satisfying or pacifying someone by meeting their demands or making concessions in order to calm or soothe them.
- (d) Shrouding: Covering or obscuring something or someone completely or partially, often with a veil or cloth; concealing or hiding from view.
- (e) Forging: create (something) strong, enduring, or successful.

S30. Ans.(e)

Sol. The concerned sentence mentions that traffic congestion has a significant economic impact also. Therefore, the correct word for the blank is 'impact'. All other options are grammatically and contextually incorrect.

- (a) Ravage: To cause severe damage or destruction to something; to devastate or ruin.
- (b) Meagre: Lacking in quantity, quality, or extent; inadequate or insufficient.
- (c) Impetus: A driving force or motivation that propels or stimulates action; a momentum or catalyst for change or progress.
- (d) Fathom: To understand or comprehend something deeply or fully.
- (e) Impact: The powerful or significant effect or influence that something has on a person, thing, or situation; a forceful collision or contact.

Solutions (31-35):

Logic: In step I add all the digits within the number of the given input.

In step II the difference of the square of the larger digit and the square of the smaller digit within the number is taken.

In step III sum of all the digits within the numbers is multiplied by 2.

In step IV again difference of the square of the larger digit and the square of the smaller digit within the number is taken.

In the last step arrange the numbers in increasing order.

Input: 4986 5413 1295 3451 2348 5344 7213

Step I: 27 13 17 13 17 16 13

Step II: 45 8 48 8 48 35 8

Step III: 18 16 24 16 24 16 16

Step IV: 63 35 12 35 12 35 35

Step V: 12 12 35 35 35 35 63

S31. Ans.(c)

S32. Ans.(c)

S33. Ans.(c)

S34. Ans.(c)

S35. Ans.(b)

Solutions (36-38):

$$A(+)=C(-)-I$$

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$$J(+)=B(-)-D(+)=F(-)$$

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$$H(+)=E(-) \quad G(+)=K$$

S36. Ans.(e)

Sol. K is either granddaughter or grandson of A.

S37. Ans.(c)

Sol. Except E, all are males.

S38. Ans.(b)

Sol. If I is husband of X then X is sister-in-law of C.

S39. Ans.(b)

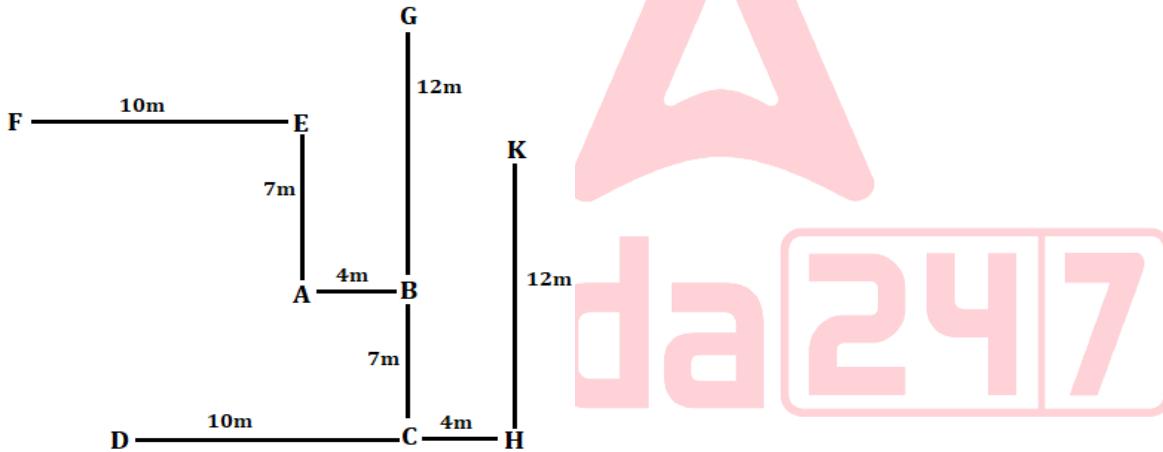
Sol. I. G&L (False) II. L%P (False)

S40. Ans.(a)

Sol. I. K%W (False) II. S\$E (True)

Solutions (41-42):

After decoding the given expression, the resultant figure is:



S41. Ans.(a)

Sol. K is in south-east of F.

S42. Ans.(b)

Sol. D to A = $10 + 7 + 4 = 21$ m

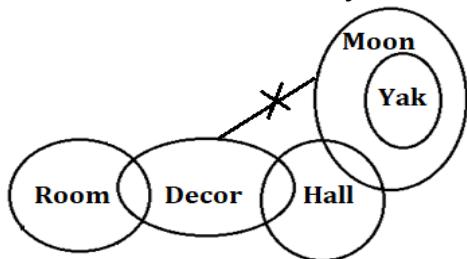
S43. Ans.(e)

Explanation:

I. Follows – because any direct relation between room and moon is not given, so any possible relation will follow.

II. Follows – because yak is only related to moon.

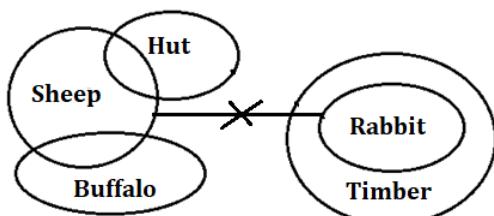
III. Not Follows – because it is given that only a few hall is moon, so all hall cannot be moon
 IV. Not follows – because yak is only related to moon.



S44. Ans.(b)

Explanation:

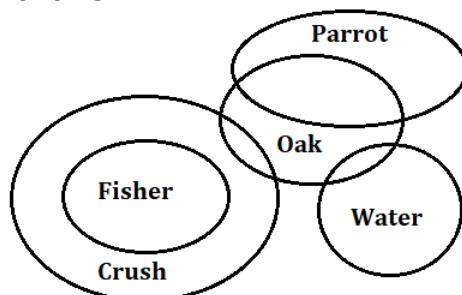
I. Follow – because there is no direct relation between hut and rabbit so their relation in possibility will follow.
 II. Not Follow- because any direct relation between buffalo and rabbit is not given, so any definite relation will not follow.
 III. Follow - because any direct relation between sheep and timber is not given, so any possible relation will follow.
 IV. Follow - because there is no direct relation between buffalo and hut, so their relation in possibility will follow.

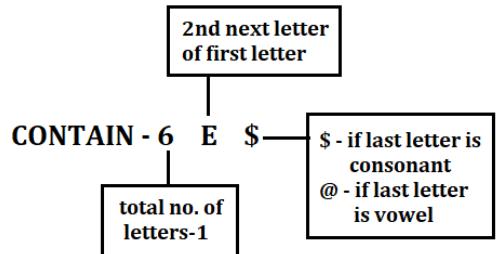


S45. Ans.(d)

Explanation:

I. Follows- because any direct relation between them is not given, so their relation in possibility will follows.
 II. Not Follows – because any direct relation between them is not given, so any definite relation will not follow.
 III. Not Follows – there is no direct relation between crush and parrot, so any definite relation will not follow.
 IV. Follows - because any direct relation between them is not given, so their relation in possibility will follows.



Solutions (46-50):**S46. Ans.(d)****S47. Ans.(c)****S48. Ans.(c)****S49. Ans.(c)****S50. Ans.(d)**