

Quiz Date: 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Directions (1-5): Each of the sentences given below contains a blank. Identify the most suitable alternative among the five given options that fit into the blank to make the sentence logical and meaningful.

Q1. A committee of experts had been set up to \_\_\_\_\_ out a strategy to protect the chilli crop from the viral attack.

- (a) Dutiful
- (b) Enterprising
- (c) Chalk
- (d) Quaint
- (e) Satisfactory

Q2. If the virus isn't \_\_\_\_\_ then there is likely to be a double blow to the Cumin prices and may fall further.

- (a) Contained
- (b) Inferior
- (c) Jaundiced
- (d) Meritorious
- (e) Acceptable

Q3. The venture will provide a new opportunity to include new \_\_\_\_\_ to work for both the organizations.

- (a) Reciprocate
- (b) Prolific
- (c) Imposing
- (d) Infusion
- (e) Arena

Q4. Government officials and panchayat representatives interviewed were aware that the educational practices of corporate schools were \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) Generic
- (b) Commending
- (c) Questionable
- (d) Reiterated
- (e) Provoke

Q5. As the examination season rolls in, nearly 1.5 crore students in India \_\_\_\_\_ to sit for the board examinations.

- (a) Advocate
- (b) Complicit
- (c) Keen
- (d) Prepare



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(e) Acute

Directions (6-10): In the following questions, a word is given in bold followed by three sentences. Choose the appropriate option mentioning the sentence(s) that uses the highlighted word in a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful manner.



Q6.

### Captivity

- (I) Companies are stepping up targeted efforts on digital media platforms to **captivity** queries of consumers on prevention of Coronavirus.
- (II) She creates a powerful metaphor about **captivity** and what it means to be in control.
- (III) The Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) administration has decided to **captivity** the ban on social media sites.

- (a) Only (II)  
(b) Both (I) and (III)  
(c) Only (III)  
(d) Only (I)  
(e) Both (II) and (I)

Q7.

### Detriment

- (I) We have an awareness program running across govt. schools in Karnataka to **detriment** children on appropriate ways of washing hands and keeping infections away.
- (II) Employer denying truth of protected disclosure was a **detriment** but not a breach of whistleblowing protection.
- (III) There are worries about **detriment** and services shutdown in other countries as well, as people are told to restrict movement, to contain the infection.

- (a) Only (II)  
(b) Both (I) and (III)  
(c) Only (III)

- (d) Only (I)
- (e) Both (II) and (I)

Q8.

**Forge**

- (I) The police busted an interstate gang of vehicle-lifters, who were also involved in **forging** documents.
- (II) Government has reaffirmed its commitment to **forge** strong ties with the private sector in order to create employment and reduce poverty.
- (III) We have been reiterating that the rally in equity markets in the US, Europe and to some **forge** in India, too, has been fuelled by global central bank policies.

- (a) Only (II)
- (b) Both (I) and (III)
- (c) Only (III)
- (d) Only (I)
- (e) Both (II) and (I)

Q9.

**Chasm**

- (I) After three back-to-back elections, some rival lawmakers could actually **chasm** Mr. Netanyahu's claim to avoid another round of polling.
- (II) Nothing reflects the fragility of the deal **chasm** between the U.S. and the Taliban in Doha.
- (III) The policy served only to enlarge the social **chasm** between home owning wealth-holders and families with no assets.

- (a) Only (II)
- (b) Both (I) and (III)
- (c) Only (III)
- (d) Only (I)
- (e) Both (II) and (I)

Q10.

**Fugitive**

- (I) A wanted **fugitive** of the American highways has been holding up traffic in Steeton.
- (II) Clayton County authorities are asking for the public's help in tracking down a **fugitive**.
- (III) The corporate school management exercised considerable **fugitive** at the very top levels of government.

- (a) Only (II)
- (b) Both (I) and (III)
- (c) Only (III)
- (d) Only (I)
- (e) Both (II) and (I)

Directions (11-15): In the following passage there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, some words are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

Both the government and Reserve Bank of India (RBI) have acted in line with their stated commitment towards the defined fiscal and monetary stability framework. Given the pressures of a \_\_\_\_\_(11) growth rate and limited fiscal and monetary elbow room, this is commendable. However, it is critical that the decisions taken to revive growth have a high \_\_\_\_\_(12) of success without increasing systemic risk in the medium to long run. In this context, it may be argued that RBI's recent \_\_\_\_\_(13) for retail credit growth would add to systemic risk, while the benefits for India's gross domestic product growth (GDP) may be limited. Credit-driven economic booms always end in economic \_\_\_\_\_(14). However, to pump-prime an economy, very few tools exist other than credit. Credit is a necessary evil, and thus there is all the more reason to handle it with care. In current economic growth frameworks, economic growth requires capital. Quite often, credit \_\_\_\_\_(15) is the ultimate source of capital. If the government spends by increasing its fiscal deficit, government debt increases.

Q11.

- (a) Solicited
- (b) Obstinate
- (c) Dwindling
- (d) Enthralled
- (e) Expunge

Q12.

- (a) Likelihood
- (b) Impartial
- (c) Nefarious
- (d) Steadfast
- (e) Acquitted

Q13.

- (a) Impertinent
- (b) Aloof
- (c) Prone
- (d) Static
- (e) Push

Q14.

- (a) Stealthy
- (b) Excel
- (c) Dedicate
- (d) Misery



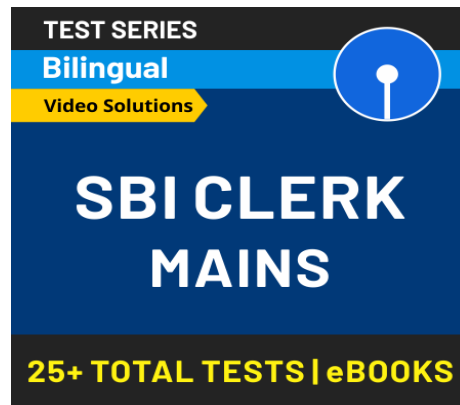
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(e) Synthesis

Q15.

- (a) Tactful
- (b) Creation
- (c) Premature
- (d) Jubilant
- (e) Façade



**Directions (16-20):** Rearrange the following seven sentences (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F) and (G) in the proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph and then answer the questions given below.

- (A) Oil prices are likely to remain soft in the foreseeable future and analysts are predicting that the Brent crude prices could fall to \$20 per barrel from the present level of about \$36.
- (B) Saudi Arabia, as a result, slashed prices and is likely to increase production.
- (C) The immediate trigger for the fall is the disagreement between the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) and Russia over cutting output.
- (D) It is possible that the impact of a simultaneous demand and supply shock to the global economy could last much longer even after coronavirus is contained.
- (E) It is likely that Russia and other producers too would ramp up production.
- (F) Brent crude prices cracked 30 per cent in the early hours of trade on Monday, extending the decline to about 45 percent since the beginning of the year.
- (G) However, at the fundamental level, the need to cut production rose because of weak demand globally.

**Q16.** Which of the following should be the **first** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) G
- (b) D
- (c) A
- (d) F
- (e) C

**Q17.** Which of the following should be the **last** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) B
- (b) A
- (c) G
- (d) D
- (e) E

**Q18.** Which of the following should be the **second** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) B
- (b) D
- (c) A
- (d) F
- (e) C

**Q19.** Which of the following should be the **third** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) B
- (b) D
- (c) A
- (d) F
- (e) C

**Q20.** Which of the following should be the **PENULTIMATE** sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) B
- (b) G
- (c) A
- (d) F
- (e) C



### Solutions

S1. Ans. (c)

Sol. **“Chalk”** fits into the blank to make the sentence logical and meaningful. Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S2. Ans. (a)

Sol. **“Contained”** fits into the blank to make the sentence logical and meaningful. Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S3. Ans. (e)

Sol. **“Arena”** fits into the blank to make the sentence logical and meaningful. Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

S4. Ans. (c)

Sol. **"Questionable"** fits into the blank to make the sentence logical and meaningful. Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S5. Ans. (d)

Sol. **"Prepare"** fits into the blank to make the sentence logical and meaningful. Hence, **option (d)** is the right answer choice.

S6. Ans. (a)

Sol. **Captivity** means **the condition of being imprisoned or confined.**

Statement (II) uses **Captivity** in a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful manner. Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S7. Ans. (a)

Sol. **Detriment** means **the state of being harmed or damaged. a cause of harm or damage.**

Statement (II) means **Detriment** in a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful manner. Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S8. Ans. (e)

Sol. **Forge** means **create (something) strong, enduring, or successful.**

**The creation of a false or alteration of a genuine one (a document), with the intent to defraud.**

Both Statement (I) and (II) use **Forge** in a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful manner. Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

S9. Ans. (c)

Sol. **Chasm** means **a deep fissure in the earth's surface.**

**a profound difference between people, viewpoints, feelings, etc.**

Statement (III) uses **Chasm** in a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful manner. Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S10. Ans. (e)

Sol. **fugitive** means **a person who has escaped from captivity or is in hiding. quick to disappear; fleeting.**

Both Statement (I) and (II) use **Fugitive** in a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful manner. Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

S11. Ans. (c)

Sol. **"Dwindling"** fits the blank appropriately. Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S12. Ans. (a)

Sol. **"Likelihood"** fits the blank appropriately. Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S13. Ans. (e)

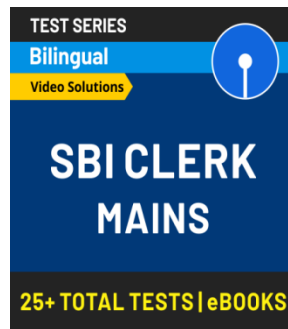
Sol. "Push" fits the blank appropriately. Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

S14. Ans. (d)

Sol. "Misery" fits the blank appropriately. Hence, **option (d)** is the right answer choice.

S15. Ans. (b)

Sol. "Creation" fits the blank appropriately. Hence, **option (b)** is the right answer choice.



S16. Ans. (d)

Sol. The correct sequence is given below.

(F) Brent crude prices cracked 30 per cent in the early hours of trade on Monday, extending the decline to about 45 percent since the beginning of the year.

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(C) The immediate trigger for the fall is the disagreement between the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) and Russia over cutting output.

(B) Saudi Arabia, as a result, slashed prices and is likely to increase production.

(E) It is likely that Russia and other producers too would ramp up production.

(G) However, at the fundamental level, the need to cut production rose because of weak demand globally.

(D) It is possible that the impact of a simultaneous demand and supply shock to the global economy could last much longer even after coronavirus is contained.

Hence, the correct order is **FACBEGD**

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S19. Ans. (e)

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S20. Ans. (b)

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