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Directions (1-5): In the following questions a sentence is given, some parts of the sentence are given in bold which may have grammatical or spelling error or they may be contextually incorrect. Two columns (A) and (B) are given, column (A) consists of bold parts of the sentence and column (B) consists of the appropriate replacement for the bold parts. Match the correct replacements. If the sentence is correct mark no error as your answer.

Q1. **Entrepreneurs have often regarded** as national assets **which are motivated and rewarded** to the greatest possible extent mainly **because they contribute in terms of** innovation, jobs and improve the **conditions for a prosperous society**.

COLUMN A

- (A) Entrepreneurs have often regarded
- (B) which are motivated and rewarded
- (C) because they contribute in terms of
- (D) conditions for a prosperous society
- (a) D-IV and B-II
- (b) B-II and C-III
- (c) A-I and B-II
- (d) None of the given options are correct
- (e) No error

COLUMN B

- (I) Entrepreneurs are often regarded
- (II) who are motivated and rewarded
- (III) because they contribute for terms of
- (IV) conditions with a prosperous society

Q2. **Since banks have professional** and specialized status, **they are in a strength** position to advise entrepreneurs on sustainable lines of investment **by analyzing the to and fro of** each investment as well as management **of investment of customers**.

COLUMN A

- (A) Since banks have professional
- (B) they are in a strength
- (C) by analyzing the to and fro of
- (D) of investment of customers
- (a) D-IV and B-II
- (b) B-II and C-III
- (c) A-I and B-II
- (d) None of the given options are correct
- (e) No error

COLUMN B

- (I) Since banks had professional
- (II) they are in a strong
- (III) by analyzing the pro and cons of
- (IV) of investment in customers

Q3. **Rs. 91,000 in** grants as well as **additional non-financial support has been awarded** to local change-makers **to the finals of the** 2018 Malta Social Impact Awards.

COLUMN A

- (A) Rs. 91,000 in
- (B) additional non-financial support
- (C) has been awarded

COLUMN B

- (I) Rs. 91,000 with
- (II) addition non-financial support
- (III) have been awarded

- (D) to the finals of the (IV) at the finals of the
 (a) C-III and D-IV
 (b) B-II and C-III
 (c) A-I and B-II
 (d) None of the given options are correct
 (e) No error

Q4. To make the connection and distinction among economic growth and human development is important for India where a wrong choice can alter the developmental future of the nation.

COLUMN A

- (A) To make the connection
 (B) among economic growth
 (C) where a wrong choice
 (D) the developmental future of the nation
 (a) C-III and D-IV
 (b) B-II and C-III
 (c) A-I and B-II
 (d) None of the given options are correct
 (e) No error

COLUMN B

- (I) Making the connection
 (II) between economic growth
 (III) which a wrong choice
 (IV) the development future to the nation

Q5. Even though the agrarian crisis has taken a political turn with every party trying to portray itself as the saviour of the farming community, there is no serious thought from any of them on how to revive the agrarian economy.

COLUMN A

- (A) has taken a political turn
 (B) to portray itself as the saviour
 (C) there is no serious thought
 (D) on how to revive
 (a) C-III and D-IV
 (b) B-II and C-III
 (c) A-I and B-II
 (d) None of the given options are correct
 (e) No error

COLUMN B

- (I) had taken a political turn
 (II) to portray themselves as the saviour
 (III) there is not serious thought
 (IV) on to revive how

Directions (6-10): In each of the following questions given below, a sentence is given with some bold words which may contain errors. Below each of the sentences, a table is given with two columns in which column 'A' contains the list of bold words, and in column 'B' the suggested corrections are listed. You have to choose the best alternate among the four given options. If no correction is required against the given bold words, mark (e) .i.e. "None of the above" as your answer.

Q6. The major **attempts** which States will be rated on is their success in **reducing** the cost of farm inputs by distributing soil health cards and encouraging organic farming and micro-irrigation. Risk **levitation** measures carry a 15% weightage, while increased productivity and **investment** in agriculture carry a 10% weight each.

COLUMN (A)

- (1) attempts
- (2) reducing
- (3) levitation
- (4) investment

COLUMN (B)

- (5) parameter
- (6) alluring
- (7) mitigation
- (8) Inclement

- (a) Both (1) - (5) and (3) - (7)
- (b) (2) - (6)
- (c) (1) - (5)
- (d) (3) - (7)
- (e) None of the above

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Q7. A Geographical Indication or a GI is a sign used on **products** that have a specific geographical origin and possess qualities or a **fermentation** that are due to that origin. Such a name conveys an assurance of quality and **robustness** which is essentially attributable to its **origin** in that defined geographical locality.

COLUMN (A)

- (1) Products
- (2) fermentation
- (3) robustness
- (4) origin

COLUMN (B)

- (5) services
- (6) reputation
- (7) distinctiveness
- (8) omission

- (a) (4) - (8)
- (b) (2) - (6)
- (c) (1) - (5)
- (d) Both (2) - (6) and (3-7)

(e) None of the above

Q8. In American Spanish, the capitalized term "El Niño" refers to "the boy", so **claimed** because the pool of warm water in the Pacific near South America is often at its **warmest** around Christmas. The original name, "El Niño de Navidad", **traces** its origin centuries back to Peruvian fishermen, who named the weather **criterion** in reference to the newborn Christ.

COLUMN (A)

- (1) claimed
- (2) warmest
- (3) traces
- (4) criterion

COLUMN (B)

- (5) named
- (6) closest
- (7) braces
- (8) phenomenon

- (a) (3) – (7)
- (b) (2) – (6)
- (c) (1) – (5)
- (d) Both (1) - (5) and (4) – (8)
- (e) None of the above

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Q9. The "greenhouse effect" of the atmosphere is named by **eulogy** to greenhouses which become warmer in **sunlight**. However, a greenhouse is not primarily **warned** by the "greenhouse effect". "Greenhouse effect" is actually a **monomer** since heating in the usual greenhouse is due to trapping of heat.

COLUMN (A)

- (1) eulogy
- (2) sunlight
- (3) warned
- (4) monomer

COLUMN (B)

- (5) analogy
- (6) moonlight
- (7) warmed
- (8) monomer
- (a) (4) – (8)
- (b) (2) – (6)
- (c) Both (3) - (7) and (4) – (8)
- (d) (1) - (5), (4) – (8) and (3) – (7)

(e) None of the above

Q10. Third-party clouds **enable** organizations to focus on their core businesses instead of **pretending** resources on computer infrastructure and **provenance**. Advocates note that cloud computing allows companies to **avoid** or minimize up-front IT infrastructure costs.

COLUMN (A)

- (1) enable
- (2) pretending
- (3) provenance
- (4) avoid

COLUMN (B)

- (5) durable
- (6) expending
- (7) maintenance
- (8) devoid

- (a) (4) – (8)
- (b) (2) – (6)
- (c) Both (2) - (6) and (3) – (7)
- (d) (1) - (5), (2) – (6) and (3-7)
- (e) None of the above

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Directions (11-15): In the following questions, a sentence is given which is divided into five parts. Out of the five parts, one part is highlighted in bold which is grammatically correct. Among the other four parts, one part is grammatically incorrect. From the options, choose the option which correctly mentions the grammatically incorrect part and the correct replacement for the grammatically incorrect part. If all the parts of the sentence are correct, choose option (e) i.e. "The sentence is grammatically correct" as your answer choice.

Q11. **Hours after taking oath as Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, Kamal Nath** /sparked widespread condemn from the BJP and Opposition parties (A)/ for his remark

that local youth (B)/ were deprived of jobs, (C)/ thanks to migrants from Uttar Pradesh and Bihar (D).

- (a) (A); sparking widespread condemn from the BJP and Opposition parties
- (b) (B); for his remark about local youth
- (c) (A); sparked widespread condemnation from the BJP and Opposition parties
- (d) (D); thank to migrants from Uttar Pradesh and Bihar
- (e) The sentence is grammatically correct

Q12. DNA profiling may be a contentious issue among humans, (A)/ but in Kerala's captive elephants, it's done deal. (B)/ In a first for India, (C)/ **every one of Kerala's captive elephants**/ now has a unique DNA-based genetic ID (D).

- (a) (C); for the first in India
- (b) (B); but for Kerala's captive elephants, it's a done deal.
- (c) (A); DNA profile may be a contentious issue among humans
- (d) (B); but for Kerala's captive elephants, it's done deal.
- (e) The sentence is grammatically correct

Q13. **Mehbooba Mufti's PDP was jolted again on Tuesday**/ as the party expelled two senior leaders, (A)/ including a former Minister, taking the total (B)/ number of those who have parted ways (C)/ with the party, for the PDP-BJP government fell in June, to eight (D).

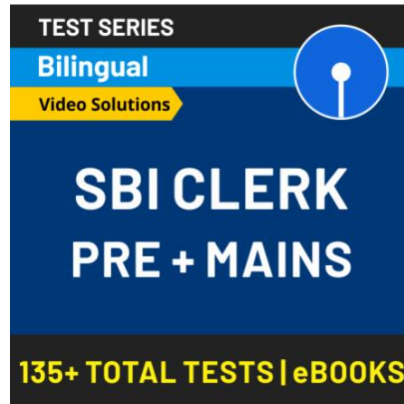
- (a) (A); and the party expelled two senior leaders,
- (b) (B); include a former Minister, taking the total
- (c) (C); number of those that have parted ways
- (d) (D); with the party, since the PDP-BJP government fell in June, to eight
- (e) The sentence is grammatically correct

Q14. **Justice Tapabrata Chakraborty, upon hearing the BJP counsel**,/ directed State counsel Advocate General Kishore Dutta (A)/ submit on Wednesday the video recording on the meeting (B)/ which was conducted on an (C)/ earlier order of the court's Division Bench (D).

- (a) (B); to submit on Wednesday the video recording of the meeting
- (b) (B); submit on Wednesday the video recording of the meeting
- (c) (C); which were conducted for an
- (d) (C); which conducted for an
- (e) The sentence is grammatically correct

Q15. **A happy employee is often an engaged employee**/ — dictated by this wisdom, a few organisations (A)/ are allowing their employees to "customise" their holiday calendar. (B)/ Besides state-declared holidays, they can choose (C)/ to mark "their holidays" drawing from a special reserve (D).

- (a) (A); has been dictated by this wisdom, a few organisations
- (b) (D); marked "their holidays" drawing a special reserve
- (c) (A); has been dictated by this wisdom, few organisations
- (d) (D); marking "their holidays" drawing from a special reserve
- (e) The sentence is grammatically correct



Solutions

S1. Ans. (c)

Sol. The sentence can be corrected by replacing the phrases (A) and (B) with (I) and (II) respectively. Phrase (A) creates a contextual error, "have" should be replaced by "are". Moreover, in phrase (B) "Which" should be replaced by "who" as "Who" (or whom) is a pronoun, and is used as the subject or object of a verb to show which person you are referring to, or to add information about a person just mentioned. It is used for people, not things while "which" is a pronoun, and is used as the subject or object of a verb to show what thing or things you are referring to, or to add information about the thing just mentioned. It is used for things, not people. All the other highlighted phrases are correct. Hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice.

S2. Ans. (b)

Sol. Phrases (B) and (C) of the sentence contain errors in them. In phrase (B) "strength" should be replaced by "strong" as 'strength' is a noun while 'strong' is an adjective. Therefore to describe the quality of the noun 'position', an adjective must be used. Moreover in phrase (C), there is an idiomatic error. The idiom 'to and fro' means in a constant movement backwards and forwards or from side to side while 'pro and cons' means advantages and disadvantages of something which are considered carefully so as to make a sensible decision. Therefore, to frame a contextually meaningful sentence the phrases (B) and (C) should be replaced by (II) and (III) respectively. Hence, option (b) is the most suitable answer choice.

S3. Ans. (a)

Sol. The sentence can be corrected by replacing the phrases (C) and (D) with (III) and (IV) respectively. In phrase (C), "has" should be replaced by "have" as here the subject of sentence is "Rs. 91,000 in grants" which shows that this amount is spent in different grants(schemes), so it being plural will take plural verb "have" with it. In phrase (D), there is a prepositional error. "to" should be replaced by "at" as preposition "at" is used while describing a specific place. All the other highlighted phrases are correct. Hence, option (a) is the most suitable answer choice.

S4. Ans. (c)

Sol. The sentence can be corrected by replacing the phrases (A) and (B) with (I) and (II) respectively. In phrase (A) the infinitive “to make” should be replaced by the gerund “making” as a gerund is the –ing form of a verb that functions the same as a noun while the infinitive form of a verb appears either as the basic form (with no marking) or with the word “to” and cannot take place of a noun. In the given sentence the activity of making the connection and distinction is a noun phrase, hence instead of an infinitive, a gerund must be used. Moreover in phrase (B) ‘among’ should be replaced by ‘between’ as between is used when naming distinct, individual items (can be 2, 3, or more) while among is used when the items are part of a group, or are not specifically named (MUST be 3 or more). All the other highlighted phrases are correct. Hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice.

S5. Ans. (e)

Sol. All the highlighted phrases of the given sentence are correct and do not require any corrections or replacements. Hence, option (e) is the most suitable answer choice.

S6. Ans. (a)

Sol. The paragraph is talking about the new index, soil health card to check ease of doing agri-business.

Levitation- the action of rising or causing something to rise and hover in the air, typically by means of supposed magical powers.

Mitigation- the action of reducing the severity, seriousness, or painfulness of something

Alluring- powerfully and mysteriously attractive or fascinating; seductive

Inclement- (of the weather) unpleasantly cold or wet

Word ‘levitation’ is totally out of context to the given paragraph.

Hence, option (a) is the most suitable answer choice.

As the Paragraph is stating that ‘States will be rated’ so the rating should be done based on some ‘parameters’ not based on some ‘attempts’.

S7. Ans. (d)

Sol. The paragraph is talking about the GI’s. which are defined as “Indications which identify a good as originating in the territory of a member, or a region or a locality in that territory, where a given quality, reputation or characteristic of the good is essentially attributable to its geographic origin”

Fermentation- the chemical breakdown of a substance by bacteria, yeasts, or other microorganisms, which is totally out of context of the given stanza

Robustness- the quality or condition of being strong and in good condition;

Distinctiveness- the quality of being individual or easily distinguishable;

Hence option (d) is the most suitable answer choice.

S8. Ans. (d)

Sol. The paragraph is talking about the El Nino, a weather phenomenon caused when warm water from the western Pacific Ocean flows eastward, and it states how the effects of El Nino can be noticed in many parts of the world, with different regions experiencing varying weather anomalies.

El Nino is a weather phenomenon not a criterion.

Hence, option (d) is the most suitable answer choice.

S9. Ans. (d)

Sol. The paragraph is talking about the "greenhouse effect", a process by which radiation from a planet's atmosphere warms the planet's surface to a temperature above what it would be without its atmosphere.

Eulogy- a speech or piece of writing that praises someone or something highly, especially a tribute to someone who has just died, which is totally out of context.

Analogy is the correct choice as it means "a comparison between one thing and another, typically for the purpose of explanation or clarification."

Misnomer- a wrong or inaccurate name or designation

Monomer- a molecule that can be bonded to other identical molecules to form a polymer

It can be clearly identified that 'monomer' is totally out of context to the stanza.

Hence, option (d) is the most suitable answer choice.

S10. Ans. (c)

Sol. The paragraph is talking about the how the 'third-party clouds' are benefitting the organization.

Provenance means the place of origin or earliest known history of something which it totally out of context of the given stanza.

'pretending resources' doesn't add any meaningful sense to the given stanza hence it should be 'expanding resources'

Devoid- entirely lacking or free from

Hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice.

S11. Ans. (c)

Sol. There is an error in the part (A) of the sentence. In the part (A), a verb 'spark' is followed by another verb 'condemn'. There is an error in the structure of the sentence. 'Spark' is a transitive verb which is followed by an object. The word 'condemn' should instead be 'condemnation', which is a noun and can function as an object of a transitive finite verb.

Among the given options, only option (c) mentions both the correct correction and the part which is grammatically incorrect.

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.

S12. Ans. (b)

Sol. There are two errors in the part (B) of the sentence. The usage of the preposition 'in' is incorrect as per the context of the sentence. The correct preposition should have been 'for'.

Moreover, 'deal' is a Singular Countable Noun, so, the indefinite noun phrase 'done deal' should be preceded by an indefinite article 'a'.

Among the given options, option (b) correctly mentions the part which is grammatically incorrect and the correct correction.

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.

S13. Ans. (d)

Sol. There is an error in the part (D) of the sentence. The usage of the preposition 'for' is incorrect as per the context of the sentence. The correct preposition to be used should have been 'since'.

Among the given options, option (d) provides correct correction and the part which is grammatically incorrect.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

S14. Ans. (a)

Sol. There is an error in the part (B).

The phrase 'submit' should be an infinitive phrase and the word 'submit' must be preceded by 'to'.

Moreover, the usage of the preposition 'on' is incorrect as per the context of the sentence and the preposition 'on' should be replaced by 'of'.

Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.

S15. Ans. (e)

Sol. The given sentence is grammatically and contextually correct.

Hence, option (e) is the correct answer.