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Directions (1-5): In the following questions, each sentence consists of a blank that can be filled with any of the given word (s) to make the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Choose the most appropriate alternative reflecting the word (s) that fills the blank. If all the given words can fill the blank correctly choose option (e) i.e., "All of these" as your answer choice.

Q1. The government recently approved setting up of an independent regulator—the National Financial Reporting Authority (NFRA)—which will have sweeping powers to act against _____ auditors.

- (A) astray
- (B) faulty
- (C) blundering
- (D) erring

- (a) only (A)
- (b) only (B)
- (c) only (B) and (C)
- (d) only (B), (C) and (D)
- (e) All of these

Q2. Immediate diagnosis and treatment, maintaining healthy business practices and avoiding recklessness can keep our banking sector _____ and relevant.

- (A) insipid
- (B) vigorous
- (C) robust
- (D) vapid

- (a) only (A)
- (b) only (C)
- (c) Both (B) and (C)
- (d) Both (B) and (D)
- (e) All of these

Q3. Customers want to take advice but are not willing to pay the _____ amount to the adviser for the time spent.

- (A) commensurate
- (B) variable
- (C) proportionate
- (D) divergent

- (a) only (B)
- (b) only (C)
- (c) only (D)
- (d) both (A) and (C)
- (e) All of these

Q4. If asset management companies (AMCs) want to get loyal and long-term customers, they would need to put in place some _____ measures to have more advisers.

- (A) repulsive
- (B) confidential
- (C) vulnerable

(D) concrete

- (a) only (A)
- (b) only (D)
- (c) both (A) and (C)
- (d) both (B) and (D)
- (e) All of these

Q5. If financial markets are even close to efficient, and if everyone knows climate change is about to flood the coasts, then it stands to reason that buyers would be _____ any real estate in the path of rising sea levels.

- (A) shunning
- (B) seeking
- (C) changing
- (D) buying

- (a) only (A)
- (b) only (D)
- (c) both (A) and (C)
- (d) both (B) and (D)
- (e) All of these

Directions (6-10): In each of the following sentence, there are two blank spaces. Below in each sentence, there are five options and each option consists of two words which can be filled up in the provided blanks respectively to make the sentence grammatically and coherently correct. Find the most appropriate set of words that fit into the blanks contextually.

Q6. _____ of capitalism across the border _____ the entire economy of the once struggling country.

- (a) diffusion, changed
- (b) distribution, viewed
- (c) achievement, gained
- (d) recognition, held
- (e) accumulation, developed

Q7. She was a healthy, vigorous woman, and, by _____ of great pains, succeeded in _____ her beauty late into life.

- (a) dint, retaining
- (b) ability, transforming
- (c) ineptitude, protecting
- (d) suffer, viewing
- (e) effort, revamping



Q8. The _____ surfaced after Congress decided to explore ways to overhaul the _____ federal tax system.

- (a) programs, efficient
- (b) plans, livid
- (c) propositions, simplified
- (d) proposals, cumbersome
- (e) applications, convenient

Q9. Despite a huge _____ of Jews from Russia, the congestion within the pale is the cause of terrible _____ and misery.

- (a) exile, affluence
- (b) emigration, destitution
- (c) movement, luxuriance
- (d) settlement, poverty
- (e) occupancy, execution

Q10. The head of the country _____ parliament so he could establish a/ an _____ and rule without restriction.

- (a) destroyed, competition
- (b) transferred, tyranny
- (c) developed, dictatorship
- (d) studied, democracy
- (e) abolished, autocracy

Directions (11-15): In each of the questions given below, a sentence is given with one blank. Below each sentence, FOUR words are given out of which two can fit into the sentence. Five options are provided with various combinations of these words. You have to choose the combination with the correct set of words which can coherently fit into the given sentence.

Q11. Pilots and cabin crew with deep _____ expertise will be up for grabs along with the airline's brand.

- (I) Accelerate
- (II) Technical
- (III) Operational
- (IV) Disturb

- (a) (I) – (II)
- (b) (I) – (IV)
- (c) (II) – (III)
- (d) (III) - (IV)
- (e) All of these

Q12. The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), the Assam government and Bodo groups signed an agreement to _____ the Bodoland Territorial Area District (BTAD).

- (I) Redraw
- (II) Rename
- (III) Forgiving
- (IV) Improve

- (a) (I) – (II)
- (b) (I) – (IV)
- (c) (II) – (III)
- (d) (III) - (IV)
- (e) All of these

Q13. Despite _____ suspensions of the Internet in the Northeast, public expressions of patriotic attachment to the original “idea of India” seem unstoppable.

- (I) Insist
- (II) Youthful
- (III) Frequent
- (IV) Long-running

- (a) (I) – (II)
- (b) (I) – (IV)
- (c) (II) – (III)
- (d) (III) - (IV)
- (e) All of these

Q14. Data collected from CES becomes a vital source of information to improve _____ budget for economic growth.

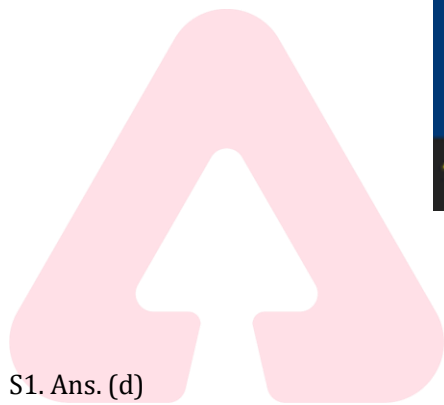
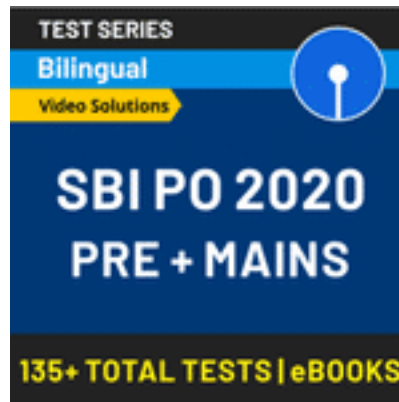
- (I) Planning
- (II) Vividly
- (III) Active
- (IV) Allocating

- (a) (I) – (II)
- (b) (I) – (IV)
- (c) (II) – (III)
- (d) (III) - (IV)
- (e) All of these

Q15. When women take the legal route to get formal permission for termination after 20 weeks, the tedium is often _____ for a mother.

- (I) Respectful
- (II) Frustrating
- (III) Disturb
- (IV) Stressful

- (a) (II) – (IV)
- (b) (I) – (IV)
- (c) (II) – (III)
- (d) (III) - (IV)
- (e) All of these



Solutions

S1. Ans. (d)

Sol. The correct words that would fill the blank aptly are '**faulty**', '**blundering**' or '**erring**'. It is to be noted that all the three words are acting as an **adjective** defining the quality of the 'auditors'; while, the word '**astray**' is an **adverb** which modifies the meaning of an adjective or a verb making the sentence contextually incorrect. Hence, **option (d)** is the most suitable answer choice.

Astray means away from the correct path or direction.

Faulty means not working or made correctly; having defects.

Blundering means make a stupid or careless mistake; act or speak clumsily.

Erring means be mistaken or incorrect; make a mistake.

S2. Ans. (c)

Sol. The correct words that provide the absolute meaning to the sentence are '**robust**' and '**vigorous**'. It is to be noted that the phrase [**maintaining healthy business practices and avoiding recklessness**] is highlighting a positive remark which will lead to a positive outcome. Thus, the word 'robust' or '**vigorous**' makes the sentence coherent. Hence, **option (c)** is the most suitable answer choice.

Insipid means lacking flavour; weak or tasteless.

Vigorous means strong, healthy, and full of energy.

Robust means strong and healthy; vigorous.

Vapid means offering nothing that is stimulating or challenging; bland.

S3. Ans. (d)

Sol. 'commensurate' and 'proportionate' are the most suitable words that fill the blank appropriately making the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. '**Commensurate**' is an *adjective which means corresponding in size or degree*. Moreover, 'commensurate' is the synonym of '**proportionate**'. Hence, **option (d)** is the most viable answer choice.

Variable means not consistent or having a fixed pattern; liable to change.

Divergent means tending to be different or develop in different directions.

S4. Ans. (b)

Sol. The most appropriate word that fills the blank providing an absolute contextual meaning is 'concrete'. '**Concrete**' is an *adjective which means existing in a material or physical form; not abstract*. As, the first part of the sentence is the effect of the cause mentioned in the latter part of the sentence, the word that fills the blank should be in reference to the expected outcome [**to get loyal and long-term customers**]. Hence, as only **option (b)** i.e., 'concrete' provides the contextual meaning to the sentence it becomes the most viable answer choice.

Repulsive means arousing intense distaste or disgust.

Confidential means intended to be kept secret.

Vulnerable means exposed to the possibility of being attacked or harmed, either physically or emotionally.

S5. Ans. (a)

Sol. The word that fits perfectly in the blank is 'shunning'. '**Shunning**' is a *verb which means persistently avoid, ignore, or reject (someone or something) through antipathy or caution*. The sentence is describing about the flood in the coasts which is likely to happen thus it provides a comprehensive logic for the word to be filled in the blank as due to floods buyers would avoid buying any real estate in the coasts. Hence, **option (a)** becomes the most suitable answer choice.

Seeking means attempt or desire to obtain or achieve (something).

S6. Ans. (a)

Sol. The most appropriate set of words that perfectly fits in the blanks of the sentence is 'diffusion, changed'. '**Diffusion**' is a **noun** which means *the spreading of something more widely, while; 'changed'* means *make or become different*. As, only these two words provide absolute meaning to the given sentence, **option (a)** becomes the most suitable answer choice.

Recognition means the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, in particular.

Accumulation means the acquisition or gradual gathering of something.

S7. Ans. (a)

Sol. The most appropriate set of words that perfectly fits in the context of the sentence is 'dint, retaining'. '**Dint**' is a **noun** which means *'force of attack; impact'*. '**retaining**' is a **verb** which means *to continue to have (something); keep possession of*. As, only these two words provide absolute meaning to the given sentence, option (a) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

Ineptitude means lack of skill or ability.

Revamping means to give new and improved form, structure, or appearance to.

S8. Ans. (d)

Sol. The most appropriate set of words that perfectly fits in the context of the sentence is 'proposals, cumbersome'. '**Proposals**' is a **noun** which means *'a plan or suggestion, especially a formal or written one, put forward for consideration by others'*. '**Cumbersome**' is an **adjective** which means *'slow or complicated and therefore inefficient'*. As, only these two words provide absolute meaning to the given sentence, **option (d)** becomes the most suitable answer choice.

S9. Ans. (b)

Sol. The most appropriate set of words that perfectly fits in the context of the sentence is 'emigration, destitution'. '**Emigration**' is a **noun** which means *the act of leaving one's own country to settle permanently in another; moving abroad*. '**destitution**' is a **noun** which means *poverty so extreme that one lacks the means to provide for oneself*. As, only these two words provide absolute meaning to the given sentence, **option (b)** becomes the most suitable answer choice.

Exile means the state of being barred from one's native country, typically for political or punitive reasons.

Affluence means the state of having a great deal of money; wealth.

Execution means the carrying out of a plan, order, or course of action.

S10. Ans. (e)

Sol. The most appropriate set of words that perfectly fits in the context of the sentence is 'abolished, autocracy'. '**Abolished**' is a **verb** which means *formally put an end to (a system, practice, or institution)*. '**autocracy**' is a **noun** which means *a system of government by one person with absolute power*. As, only these two words provide absolute meaning to the given sentence, **option (e)** becomes the most suitable answer choice.

Tyranny means cruel and oppressive government or rule.

Dictatorship means a country governed by a dictator.

S11. Ans. (c)

Sol. Both **Technical and Operational** can coherently fit into the sentence. Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S12. Ans. (a)

Sol. Both **Redraw and Rename** can coherently fit into the sentence. Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S13. Ans. (d)

Sol. Both **Frequent and Long-running** can coherently fit into the sentence. Hence, **option (d)** is the right answer choice.

S14. Ans. (b)

Sol. Both **Planning and Allocating** can coherently fit into the sentence. Hence, **option (b)** is the right answer choice.

S15. Ans. (a)

Sol. Both **frustrating and stressful** can coherently fit into the sentence. Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

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