

SSC Exams English Practice Challenge Quiz for Beginners

Direction (1-15): The questions below consist of a set of labelled sentences. Out of the four options, given. Select the most logical order of the sentences to form a coherent paragraph.

Q1. Then there came faint rays of primrose

P-light that changed presently to golden

Q-bars, through which the dawn

R-glided out across the desert

(a) RQP

(b) PQR

(c) RPQ

(d) QRP

S1. Ans.(b)

Q2. It seemed to them far easier to conceive

P-that the water had gone down, than

Q-that solid land had risen

R-upward into its present position

(a) PQR

(b) RQP

(c) RPQ

(d) QRP

S2. Ans.(a)

Q3. We drank a little and flung

P-soon were all asleep

Q-sand, thoroughly tired out, and

R-ourselves down on the

(a) RPQ

(b) QRP

(c) QPR

(d) RQP

S3. Ans.(d)

Q4. Now the first and most

P-strata of marine origin occur above the

Q-simple appearance is where

R-level of the sea in horizontal position

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- (a) PRQ
- (b) QPR
- (c) PQR
- (d) RQP

S4. Ans.(b)

Q5. It is for the government,

P-especially one with such a
Q-significant majority, to have the
R-intelligence and leadership to think long term

- (a) QRP
- (b) PQR
- (c) RPQ
- (d) QPR

S5. Ans.(b)

Q6. Only a country not yet rid

P-of its colonial hangover
Q-and controls, labels dissent as seditious
R-of a government that commands

- (a) PRQ
- (b) PQR
- (c) QPR
- (d) RPQ

S6. Ans.(a)

Q7. We must urgently

P-ethics that respects, and responds
Q-humanely to the strangers in our cities
R-and consciously develop a new

- (a) RQP
- (b) PQR
- (c) RPQ
- (d) QRP

S7. Ans.(c)

Q8. Aggregate levels of under nutrition in India

P-remain shockingly high, despite the impressive
Q-stunting in the last decade
R-reduction in

- (a) PRQ
- (b) QPR
- (c) RPQ
- (d) QRP

S8. Ans.(a)

Q9. As for the tasks

P-three important ones

Q-ahead, there appear

R-to be at least

(a) RQP

(b) QRP

(c) PRQ

(d) PQR

S9. Ans.(b)

Q10. I am not demanding

P-a set of ethical scripts whose

Q-political possibilities could be played out

R-a census of atrocity but

(a) RQP

(b) PQR

(c) RPQ

(d) QRP

S10. Ans.(c)

Q11. Children are sensitive

P-to what happens around them and are

Q-enthusiastic about working on

R-plays that reflect their lives

(a) RQP

(b) PQR

(c) RPQ

(d) QRP

S11. Ans.(b)

Q12. But this does not mean

P-phenomena to the body

Q-is a meaningless expression

R-that the reference of mental

(a) QRP

(b) RPQ

(c) QPR

(d) PRQ

S12. Ans.(b)

Q13. The space in front of the large

P-hut was empty, but

Q-placed several stools

R-before it were

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- (a) PQR
- (b) PRQ
- (c) RQP
- (d) RPQ

S13. Ans.(b)

Q14. From our common experience

P-of the relation of the
Q-mental he starts out
R-physical and the

- (a) PQR
- (b) PRQ
- (c) RQP
- (d) RPQ

S14. Ans.(b)

Q15. As for ourselves, we

P-combing our hair
Q-a good wash and
R-were contented with

- (a) RPQ
- (b) QRP
- (c) QPR
- (d) RQP

S15. Ans.(d)

Direction (16-30): In the following questions, some of the sentences have error and some have none. Find out which part of a sentence has an error. The number of that part is the correct answer. If there is no error, the answer is (d).

Q16. In such delicate matters, we often go with (A) / his advice as he has (B) / been handling such cases effectively (C) / No error (D)

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

S16. Ans.(d)

Sol. No error

Q17. He was too tired that he could not (A) / cross the street even with (B) / the help of a supporter (C) / No error (D)

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

S17. Ans.(a)

Sol. Replace 'too' by 'so'.

Q18. It took her a (A)/ long time to get off the death (B)/of her husband. (C)/ No error (D)

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

S18. Ans.(b)

Sol. Get off: to fall asleep; to leave work without permission; to stop discussing a particular subject.

Get over: to return to your usual state of health, happiness after a shock.

Hence 'to get over' should be used.

Q19. Let us vie to one (A)/ another in (B)/ doing good. (C)/ No error (D)

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

S19. Ans.(a)

Sol. Vie: to compete

Vie takes prepositions

with- (with somebody)

for – for something

to– to do something

Hence 'with one another' is the right usage.

Q20. The old man told (A)/ his sons that (B)/ there was no such thing like luck. (C)/ No error (D)

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

S20. Ans.(c)

Sol. Here, 'there is no such thing like luck' should be used. The sentence is a Universal truth.

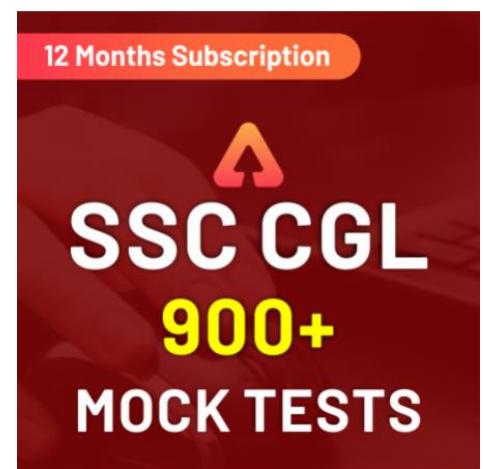
Hence, Simple Present Tense will be used.

Q21. I shall go (A)/ by the 3 O' (B)/ clock's train.(C)/ No error (D)

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

S21. Ans.(c)

Sol. No need of possessive case (clock's). Hence 3 O'clock train is the right usage.



Q22. He reassured to his boss (A) / that he had no plans (B) / to leave the company (C) / No error (D).

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

S22. Ans.(a)

Sol. Remove preposition 'to' after reassured.

Q23. I meant to repair the radio (A)/ but hadn't time (B) to do it today. (C)/ No error (D)

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

S23. Ans.(b)

Sol. Here 'today' has been used

Hence 'but have no time' is the right usage.

Q24. When I saw the dress (A) / I knew it was exactly (B) / what I had looked for (C) / No error (D)

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

S24. Ans.(c)

Sol. Here use of 'Past Perfect Continuous' or 'Past Progressive' is apt.

Hence, replace 'what I had looked for' by 'what I had been looking for/ 'what I was looking for'.

Q25. The heavy-weight fighter (A)/ was knocking out in (B)/ one punch. (C)/ No error (D)

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

S25. Ans.(b)

Sol. Knock out: to make someone unconscious/ defeat a player or team. Moreover, the impact of action 'knocking out' in the given context is static not progressive. Hence following the correct Passive voice formation, 'was knocked out in one punch' is the right usage.

Q26. I am afraid (A) / I did a mistake (B) / in the calculation (C) / No error (D)

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

S26. Ans.(b)

Sol. 'Make a mistake' is a pure idiomatic expression.

Hence use 'I made a mistake' in place of 'I did a mistake'.

Q27. The number of applications has risen (A) / this year by (B) / as many as 50% (C) No error (D)

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

S27. Ans.(d)

Sol. No error

'The number of + 'Plural noun' + 'singular verb'.

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Q28. Many a student (a) / have passed (b) / the I.I.T examination (c) / No error (d)

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

S28. Ans.(b)

Sol. Here use 'has' in place of 'have'.

Q29. The results of (A)/ the survey were (B)/ fairly disappointing. (C)/ No error (D)

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

S29. Ans.(c)

Sol. fairly (adverb): honestly; in a fairly and reasonable way.

Hence, very/rather disappointing is the right usage.

Q30. When we visited his office, we found (A) / that he was sipping coffee (B) / with some of his colleagues. (C) / No error (D)

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

S30. Ans.(d)

Sol. No error