



**IB ACIO 2023**

**ENGLISH**

**17/01/2024 (Shift-I)**

**Q 1. Match the following groups of words with the correct one-word substitutions.**

*phrase*

- A. the act of looking into one's mind
- B. Pleasure mixed with sadness at recalling in the past
- C. a false perception of the that do not really exist
- D. a state of absent-minded daydreaming moments in the

*one-word substitution*

- 1. Hallucination
- 2. Reverie
- 3. introspection
- 4. nostalgia

1. A-2,B-1,C-4,D-3

3. A-3,B-4,C-1,D-2

2. A-3,B-2,C-4,D-1

4. A-4,B-2,C-3,D-1

**Q.2)- Select the word that is closest in meaning (SYNONYM) to the word given below**

*Aegis*

- 1. Aggravate**
- 2. Intensify**
- 3. Protection**
- 4. Spread**

**Q.3)- The sentence below has been divided into three parts. Select the part of the sentence that has an error. If the sentence has no error, select the option 'No Error'.**

**As noon approached, sunlight filtered/ through an branches, casting dappled/ patterns on the cobblestone path.**

- 1. patterns on the cobblestone path.**
- 2. No error**
- 3. through an branches, casting dappled**
- 4. As noon approached, sunlight filtered**

**Q.4)- Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom**

*Go down like a lead balloon*

- 1. Put yourself in a tough position in order to support someone/ something**
- 2. To gamble everything you have**
- 3. To surrender**
- 4, To be received badly by an audience**

**Q.5)- The sentence below has been divided into three parts. Select the part of the sentence that has an error. If the sentence has no error, select the option 'No Error'.**

*We will have to spend a few/ hours journeying down in a bus,/ which is bound to take its toll.*

- 1. No error**
- 2. We will have to spend a few**
- 3. hours journeying down in a bus,**
- 4. which is bound to take its toll.**



**Q.6)-In the following passage there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. Select the correct option to fill in the blanks.**

What draws India closer to an obscure and indifferent picture are the 1.\_\_\_\_\_ tribes. They own their personal identity, far from the 2.\_\_\_\_\_ trend and economic development, as Adivasis having their own language, religion, festivals, cuisine, dance and music. With such an 3.\_\_\_\_\_ culture and hospitality they also significantly hold a contrasting patriarchal and matriarchal society. The lively 4.\_\_\_\_\_ of the tribal community in India stretches from the remote villages tucked in the Indian Himalayan region to southern-most tip of India and from the farthest corner of North East India to the dunes of Rajasthan.

- 1. 1- original, 2-unique, 3-oppressive, 4-representation**
- 2. 1-obsolete, 2-modern, 3-enchanted, 4-presence**
- 3. 1- immigrant, 2-current, 3-alarming, 4- culture**
- 4. 1- indigenous, 2- contemporary, 3-enigmatic, 4- tableau**

**Q.7)- Some parts of a sentence have been jumbled up, and labelled P, Q, R and S. Select the option that gives the correct sequence in which these parts can be rearranged to form a meaningful and grammatically correct paragraph. Opening and Closing sentence indicate the start of the paragraph and end of the sentence paragraph.**

*Opening Sentence: Born on October 5, 1983, in Los Angeles, California, Emma Stone's journey in the entertainment industry began at a young age.*

**P. While attending local theatre classes, Stone discovered her passion for acting and soon started auditioning for various roles.**

**Q. Despite facing initial rejections, Stone's determination and talent eventually landed her a breakthrough role in the comedy "Superbad."**

**R. Stone's career skyrocketed as she garnered critical acclaim for her performances in movies like "The Help" and "La La Land," earning her an Academy Award for Best Actress.**

**S. Inspired by the likes of Meryl Streep, Stone continued honing her craft and exploring diverse roles, solidifying her status as one of Hollywood's leading actresses.**

*Closing Sentence: Today, Emma Stone stands as a respected figure in the film industry, celebrated for her versatility and contributions to the world of cinema.*

**1. SPQR    2. PQSR    3. RQPS    4. SRQP**



**Q.8)- Select the correct conclusion based on the meaning of the underlined word:**

**Statement:** After his father's death, he became a prodigal of his fortune.

**Conclusion:**

- i. He gained wisdom and spent money cautiously.**
- ii. Being the only heir, he inherited all his father's wealth.**
- iii. He squandered his wealth recklessly and lost all he had.**
- iv. He assumed the responsibility of increasing his father's fortune.**

- 1. only option iii is correct**
- 2. only option iv is correct**
- 3. Both options ii and iii are correct**
- 4. Both options ii and iv are correct**

**Q. 9 Match the following groups of words with the correct one-word substitutions.**

| phrase   | one-word substitution |
|--|-----------------------|
| A. an annual calendar that contains important dates and time   | 1. connoisseur        |
| B. one who is a critical judge of any art                      | 2. almanac            |
| C. one who does not appreciate art, <u>literature</u> or music | 3. utopia             |
| D. an ideally perfect state                                    | 4. philistine         |

1. A-2,B-1,C-4,D-3

2. A-3,B-4,C-1,D-2

3. A-2,B-4,C-1,D-3

4. A-4,B-2,C-3,D-1

**Q.10)- Select the correct conclusion based on the meaning of the underlined word:**

**Statement:** The trade embargo has impacted export revenue.

**Conclusion:**

- i. The new trade laws have exempted goods from duty.
- ii. Trading in certain goods has been temporarily stopped.
- iii. The government order has put restrictions on trade with some countries.
- iv. Exports have increased after signing of new trade treaties.

- 1. option i and iv are correct
- 2. options i and ii are correct
- 3. options ii and iii are correct
- 4. options i, ii and iv are correct

**Q.11)- Select the correct conclusion based on the meaning of the underlined idiom:**

Statement: Splitting hairs is futile and will not resolve our problem.

Conclusion:

- i. A superficial investigation will suffice for the problem at hand.
- ii. Making peevish criticisms on trivial matters will not lead us anywhere.
- iii. A difference of opinion is not tolerated in a dictatorship.

- 1. Both conclusion (ii) and (iii) are correct
- 2. Only conclusion (i) is correct
- 3. Only conclusion (ii) is correct
- 4. Both conclusion (i) and (iii) are correct

**Q.12)- The sentence below has been divided into three parts. Select the part of the sentence that has an error. If the sentence has no error, select the option 'No Error'.**

**He has been read through/ the archives to research/ his article on the town's history.**

- 1. No error**
- 2. the archives to research**
- 3. He has been read through**
- 4. his article on the town's history.**



**Q.13)- Select the most appropriate meaning of the given proverb from the options**

**Better late than never**

- 1. It's better to finish something late than to never do it at all**
- 2. People who are similar spend time together**
- 3. Don't make someone angry or hurt someone who is helping you or paying for you**
- 4. It's good to be clean. God is clean, and you should be too**

**Q.14)- Select the word that is opposite in meaning (ANTONYM) to the word given below.**

*Corpulent*

**1. Narrator**

**2. Slim**

**3. Aerial**

**4. Anecdotist**

**Q.15)- Four sentences are given below. Find the odd sentence out.**

**A. A new analysis has determined that the threat of global warming can still be greatly diminished if nations cut emissions of heat-trapping greenhouse gases by 70% this century.**

**B. With research showing that additional warming of about 1 degree C may be the threshold for dangerous climate change, the European Union has called for dramatic cuts in emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases.**

**C. The most dangerous potential aspects of climate change include massive losses of Arctic sea ice and permafrost.**

**D. “This research indicates that we can no longer avoid significant warming during this century,” said NCAR scientist Warren Washington, the study paper’s lead author.**

**1. Sentence B**

**2. Sentence D**

**2. 3. Sentence A**

**4. Sentence C**

**Q.16)- There is a sentence that is missing in the paragraph below. Look at the paragraph and decide in which blank (1, 2, 3, or 4) the following sentence would best fit.**

**Sentence: On the other hand, we find persons engaged in worst types of corrupt practices living in peace and prosperity.**

**We often come across situations and incidents, which appear quite contradictory to the known laws of Nature, creating doubts about the impartiality of divine justice. \_\_\_\_1\_\_\_\_ For instance, honest, duty conscious, morally elevated person is often seen caught in adversities in one form or the other, or is suddenly struck with a great misfortune in life as though he/she were being punished by God for a great sin. \_\_\_\_2\_\_\_\_. An idler wins a jackpot or inherits a fortune from unexpected quarters, whereas a hard working intelligent person is found suffering endlessly for want of basic necessities. \_\_\_\_3\_\_\_\_. One person achieves great success with little effort, whereas another does not succeed in spite of his best efforts. \_\_\_\_4\_\_\_\_. Such phenomena are popularly ascribed to the role of fate.**

**1. blank 1**

**2. blank 3**

**3. blank 2**

**4. blank 4**



**Q.17)- Arrange the given sentences (1-6) in the correct order to form a coherent paragraph.**

1. They had escaped the dark world and were enveloped in a dazzling white light which almost blinded them.
2. The fountain of immortality sprung before them from which they collected the elixir in a large conch shell.
3. The next moment, the boys found themselves floating over misty clouds.
4. They gave him some elixir from the shell and he immediately acquired an ethereal form.
5. It was then that they saw the Formless One before them.
6. There was bliss and tranquility around them.

1. 316254
2. 352146
3. 512346
4. 614523



**Q.18)- Which of the following statements correctly use the idiom ' pour oil on troubled waters' by substituting the underlined words?**

A. If you unnecessarily interfere in others' affairs, you will suffer yourselves.

B. Fed up with frequent strikes, the management decided to, deal with the situation decisively.

C. The government ordered a judicial enquiry into the communal riots in a bid to pacify the situation.

D. From his behaviour it is obvious that someone has prejudiced him against me.

- 1. Both statements B and D correctly use the idiom.**
- 2. Both statements A and C correctly use the idiom.**
- 3. Only statement B correctly uses the idiom.**
- 4. Only statement C correctly uses the idiom.**

**Q.19)- The sentence below has been divided into three parts. Select the part of the sentence that has an error. If the sentence has no error, select the option 'No Error'.**

**I don't know the reason why he/ has said all this yet it/ puts him in a bad light.**

- 1. has said all this yet it**
- 2. No error**
- 3. puts him in a bad light.**
- 4. I don't know the reason why he**

**Q.20)- Select the word that is closest in meaning (SYNONYM) to the word given below**

*Equivocal*

- 1. Obstruct**
- 2. Occlude**
- 3. Unanimous**
- 4. Ambiguous**

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