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Solutions

S1. Ans.(a)

Sol. 'Insists' will be the correct usage as agreement is between 'elder bother' and 'insist'.

S2. Ans.(b)

Sol. "to keep its pledges will have" is the correct option. 'It's' means 'It is'.

S3. Ans.(e)

Sol. No Error. The sentence is correct as it is.

S4. Ans.(c)

Sol. "leisure promotes health, long life " is the correct option. 'Leisure' is singular and so verb 'promotes' will be used.

S5. Ans.(d)

Sol. "but also friendly in nature" is the correct option. Conjunction 'Not only.....but also' will be used here.

S6. Ans.(b)

Sol. Engross: absorb all the attention or interest of.

Disgust: a feeling of revulsion or strong disapproval aroused by something unpleasant or offensive.

S7. Ans.(e)

Sol. Wrath: extreme anger.

Glee: great delight, especially from one's own good fortune or another's misfortune.

S8. Ans.(c)

Sol. Disclose: allow (something hidden) to be seen.

Conceal: not allow to be seen; hide.

S9. Ans.(a)

Sol. 'Relax' is the antonym of other words.

S10. Ans.(d)

Sol. Ruin: cause great and usually irreparable damage or harm to; have a disastrous effect on.

S11. Ans.(c)

Sol. "had to resort to even constitutional amendments to overturn " is grammatically and contextually correct as the sentence is in past tense. Also, we will use first form of verb with 'to'.



S12. Ans.(c)

Sol. "tries to balance the complete interests" is grammatically and contextually. The sentence is in simple present tense so 'tries' will be the correct form of verb.

S13. Ans.(a)

Sol. "first in the U.S. and then in India. " is grammatically and contextually correct. 'Than' is used to show comparison.

S14. Ans.(e)

Sol. "has been a staunch supporter of women's rights " is grammatically and contextually correct. 'Staunch' is the adjective used here to qualify a 'supporter'.

S15. Ans.(c)

Sol. "even more poignant is that violence and war have become " is grammatically and contextually correct. 'Violence' and 'war' are nouns here.

S16. Ans.(b)

Sol. The correct rearrangement is BCDA.

S17. Ans.(c)

Sol. The correct rearrangement is DCBA.

S18. Ans.(d)

Sol. The correct rearrangement is CBDA.

S19. Ans.(e)

Sol. The correct rearrangement is CABD.

S20. Ans.(b)

Sol. The correct rearrangement is BCDA.

S21. Ans.(d)

Sol. Easy does it: Proceed slowly and carefully

S22. Ans.(b)

Sol. Get your act together: To organize your activities so that you can make progress

S23. Ans.(b)

Sol. Be a Far cry from: to be very different from someone or something

S24. Ans.(e)

Sol. Eat crow: be humiliated by having to admit one's defeats or mistakes.

S25. Ans.(a)

Sol. Turn a blind eye: to pretend not to notice

S26. Ans.(b)

Sol. The correct answer is the option (b). The answer to the question can be derived from the first and the third paragraphs. The passage is discussing Elizabethan Drama and its two sub-genre which are Elizabethan Comedy and English Tragedy.

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.

S27. Ans.(c)

Sol. The answer to the question can be derived from the last three sentences of the third paragraph.

From the last third sentence, (I) and (III) can be inferred and from the last sentence, (II) can be inferred. Each of (I), (II) and (III) are correct.

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.

S28. Ans.(e)

Sol. The correct answer can be derived from the last paragraph. Option (c) can be derived from the second sentence.

Chortling means laughter

Conjured up means to evoke

Option (a) can be inferred from the third sentence and the option (b) can be inferred from the fourth sentence.

So, all of options (a), (b) and (c) are the correct answer.

Hence, option (e) is the correct answer.

S29. Ans.(a)

Sol. Ludicrous means 'so foolish, unreasonable, or out of place as to be funny or hilarious or amusing';

Ridiculous means 'deserving or inviting insult or mockery; absurd';

The answer to the question can be derived from the last-third and last-second sentences of the third paragraph. It can be inferred from the paragraph that the drama of the Romantic love genre used to be melodramatic to the core and farcical in treatment and used to evokes exhilaration, celebration and were funny and hilarious.

Among the given options, only option (a) supplies the correct meaning to the sentence.

Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.

S30. Ans.(d)

Sol. The answer to the question can be derived from the second paragraph, specifically from the last sentence and first sentence. The elements of the Elizabethan dramas were that it had to be forcefully English but thoughtfully European and distinctively Elizabethan.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

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S31. Ans.(b)

Sol. Artifice [noun] means 'clever or cunning devices or expedients, especially as used to trick or deceive others';

Calumny [noun] means 'making of a false statement meant to injure a person's reputation';

Candour [noun] means 'the quality of being open and honest; frankness';

Torpor [noun] means 'inactivity resulting from lethargy and lack of vigour or energy';

Volubility [noun] means 'the quality of talking or writing easily and continuously';

Prescience [noun] means 'the power to foresee the future';

From above, it can be understood that 'candour' is a synonym of 'artifice'.

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.

S32. Ans.(e)

Sol. Purgative [noun] means 'a thing that rids one of unwanted feelings or memories';

Perfidy [noun] means 'an act of deliberate betrayal; a breach of a trust';

Gall [noun] means 'the trait of being rude and impertinent';

Culpability [noun] means 'a state of guilt';

Aesthete [noun] means 'one who professes great sensitivity to the beauty of art and nature';

Cathartic [noun] means 'that releases emotional tension, especially after an overwhelming experience';

From above, it can be understood that option (e) is the correct answer.

S33. Ans.(d)

Sol. Avaricious [adjective] means 'having or showing an extreme greed for wealth or material gain';

Reticent [adjective] means 'disinclined to talk, not revealing one's thoughts';

Gossamer [adjective] means 'characterized by unusual lightness and delicacy';

Apathetic [adjective] means 'marked by a lack of interest';

Covetous [adjective] means 'inordinately desirous; excessively eager to obtain and possess (especially money); avaricious.

Dogmatic [adjective] means 'highly opinionated, not accepting that one's own belief may not be correct';

From above, it can be understood that the option (d) is the correct answer.

S34. Ans.(c)

Sol. Virulently [adverb] means '(of a disease or poison) extremely severe or harmful in its effects';

Concordantly [adverb] means 'in agreement; consistent';

With one voice means 'in complete agreement; unanimously, concordantly, in complete accord'.

Among the given sentences, (II) and (III) provide the correct meaning to the phrase.

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.

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S35. Ans.(b)

Sol. The phrase 'once in a blue moon' means 'very rarely'; 'hardly ever'; 'almost never'; 'very seldom'; Among the given sentences, sentences (II) and (III) provide the correct meaning to the highlighted phrase. Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.

S36. Ans.(a)

Sol. Sell like hot cakes means 'be sold quickly and in large quantities.

Lauded means to appreciate.

Among the given sentences, only (II) provides the correct meaning to the highlighted phrase.

Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.

S37. Ans.(b)

Sol. Go down with means 'begin to suffer from (an illness)'; 'contract'; 'succumbed to';

All the three sentences provide correct meaning to the highlighted phrase.

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.

S38. Ans.(d)

Sol. Be made of money means 'be very rich'.

Inane means 'lacking sense or meaning; silly';

Pillage means 'rob a (place) using violence, especially in wartime';

Among the given sentences, only (III) provides the correct meaning to the highlighted phrase.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

S39. Ans.(b)

Sol. For all intents and purposes means 'in all important respects'; 'essentially'; 'virtually'; 'practically';

All the three sentences provide the correct meaning to the highlighted phrase.

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.

S40. Ans.(e)

Sol. Cohere means 'form a unified whole';

Construe means 'interpret (a word or action) in a particular way';

Pillage means 'rob a (place) using violence, especially in wartime';

Took this criticism (something) to heart means 'to take criticism seriously and be affected or upset by it'.

None of the three sentences provide the correct meaning to the highlighted phrase.

Hence, option (e) is the correct answer.

S41. Ans.(a)

Sol. 'Countdown' is the correct word for the blank and it means the period of time leading up to a significant event and the procedures carried out during this time.

S42. Ans.(b)

Sol. Resolute: admirably purposeful, determined, and unwavering.

S43. Ans.(c)

Sol. Fragility: the quality of being delicate or vulnerable.

S44. Ans.(d)

Sol. Devolution: the transfer or delegation of power to a lower level, especially by central government to local or regional administration.

S45. Ans.(e)

Sol. Malady: a serious problem.

S46. Ans.(a)

Sol. The latter part of sentence is in negative tone and so the blank will take a positive word in the past tense. 'Improved' is the perfect fit both grammatically and contextually.

S47. Ans.(b)

Sol. Sustenance: the maintaining of someone or something in life or existence.

S48. Ans.(c)

Sol. Reinforce: strengthen or support (an object or substance), especially with additional material.

S49. Ans.(d)

Sol. Curb: restrain or keep in check.

S50. Ans.(e)

Sol. Contender: a person or group competing with others to achieve something.

