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English Questions for SBI Clerk Prelims (Solutions)

S1. Ans.(d)

Sol. Error is in part D. Use 'have' in place of 'having'.

S2. Ans.(d)

Sol. Error is in part D. Use 'were' in place of 'was'.

S3. Ans.(e)

Sol. No Error

S4. Ans.(b)

Sol. Error is in part B. 'has' will be used in place of 'have' as the subject is singular.

S5. Ans.(c)

Sol. Error is in part C. Use of 'an' is incorrect and article 'a' is the correct usage.

S6. Ans.(b)

Sol. Error is in part B. 'were' will be used in place of verb as the subject is plural.

S7. Ans.(a)

Sol. Error is in part A. Use 'acutely' in place of 'acute'.

S8. Ans.(e)

Sol. No Error

S9. Ans.(b)

Sol. Error is in part B. Use 'found' in place of 'find' as the sentence is in past tense.

S10. Ans.(e)

Sol. No Error

S11. Ans.(d)

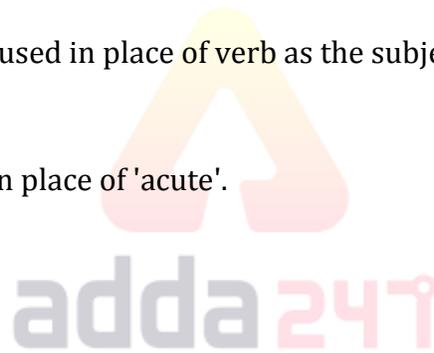
Sol. Error is in part D. Use 'reality' in place of 'real'.

S12. Ans.(b)

Sol. Error is in part B. Use of 'avail' is incorrect and 'availing' will be used here.

S13. Ans.(a)

Sol. Error is in part A. Use of 'there' is incorrect and 'their' is the correct usage.



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S14. Ans.(e)

Sol. No Error

S15. Ans.(c)

Sol. Error is in part C. Use 'relatable' in place of 'relate'.

S16. Ans.(e)

Sol. The correct sequence to form a meaningful paragraph is **DAEBFC**.

S17. Ans.(a)

Sol. The correct sequence to form a meaningful paragraph is **DAEBFC**.

S18. Ans.(b)

Sol. The correct sequence to form a meaningful paragraph is **DAEBFC**.

S19. Ans.(c)

Sol. The correct sequence to form a meaningful paragraph is **DAEBFC**.

S20. Ans.(a)

Sol. The correct sequence to form a meaningful paragraph is **DAEBFC**.

S21. Ans.(a)

Sol. 'too much + noun' is used, whereas 'much too +adjective/adverb' is used. In the sentence in place of 'too much', 'much too' will be used.

S22. Ans.(b)

Sol. 'close to' somebody/something is used.

S23. Ans.(c)

Sol. The sentence is in a comparative degree. Hence in place of 'simplest solution', 'A simpler solution' is used.

S24. Ans.(d)

Sol. As verb is in the conditional perfect which requires an auxiliary ('having' in this case,) therefore the past participle (taken) is necessary.

S25. Ans.(b)

Sol. 'which' is used for non-defining clauses, additional information whereas 'that' is used for defining clauses.

S26. Ans.(b)

Sol. Expression (I) and (II) are absolutely correct and do not require any corrections. However, expression (III) contains a grammatical error. It is to be noted that to make the sentence grammatically correct replace “focused on what does matter most” by “focused on what matters the most” as whenever ‘what’ has been used as a subject then question or statement in simple present tense or in simple past tense the grammatical syntax of the sentence must be [What + main verb]. For Ex. What happens when water is heated? Or I don’t know what disturbs him. As, only expression (I) and (II) are correct, option (b) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

S27. Ans.(a)

Sol. Only expression (I) perfectly complies to the grammatical syntax of the sentence. However, expression (II) and (III) fail to be error-free. To make expression (II) grammatically and contextually correct replace the verb ‘were’ by the adverb ‘where’ which is used to describe at, in, or to which (used after reference to a place or situation). Moreover, in expression (III) the singular verb “crosses” should be replaced with “cross” as the phrase [a large number of] always associates a plural verb to comply with the rule of subject-verb agreement. Hence, option (a) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

S28. Ans.(d)

Sol. Among the given three expressions only expression (II) and (III) stands to be grammatically correct. In order to eliminate the error in expression (I) replace the phrase [a large number of] with [a lot of] as generally “time” is an uncountable noun for which the quantitative adjective [a large number of] must not be used. Moreover, [a lot of] can be used to refer the numbers as well as the quantity. For ex. ‘a lot of sugar’ expresses quantity while ‘a lot of pens’ expresses numbers. As, only expression (II) and (III) appears to be correct, option (d) becomes the most viable answer choice.

S29. Ans.(e)

Sol. The given sentence is grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, it does not require any corrections or replacement therefore, option (e) is the most suitable answer choice.

S30. Ans.(a)

Sol. Only the first expression is correct and does not require any corrections. Expression (II) and (III) contains either grammatical or contextual errors. In expression (II) [high] should be replaced by [higher] as the comparative degree of ‘high’ is ‘higher’ instead of ‘more high’. Furthermore, in expression (III) ‘that’ should be replaced with ‘those’ as there is a comparison between two groups [two separate group of countries]. It should also be noted that ‘that’ is used for singular nouns whereas ‘those’ is used for plural noun. Therefore, as only expression (I) is correct option (a) becomes the most suitable answer choice.

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