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S1. Ans.(c)

Sol. The statement marked as (I) is false. This can be derived from the first sentence of the first paragraph: 'Christopher Marlowe is the most intellectual of the playwrights during the Elizabethan age in English Literature.' If Marlowe is the most intellectual of the playwrights during the Elizabethan age in English Literature, then Shakespeare can't be the most intellectual of the playwrights across all the ages in English Literature. So, the statement marked as (I) is False.

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.

S2. Ans.(e)

Sol. Each of (I), (II) and (III) is correct. (I) can be inferred from the third sentence of the first paragraph. (II) can be inferred from the fourth sentence of the first paragraph. (III) can be inferred from the seventh sentence of the first paragraph.

So, Christopher Marlowe is decorated through statements marked as (I), (II) and (III) in the passage.

Hence, option (e) is the correct answer.

S3. Ans.(b)

Sol. The answer to the question can be derived from the 11th to 17th lines (please note that these don't illustrate the numbering of the sentences) of the first paragraph. The 11th, 12th and 13th lines illustrate that Marlowe reconciled the traditions of medieval Christianity with the rise of the Reformation. The 13th and 14th lines illustrate that he reconciled the traditions of medieval Christianity, Reformation with the continental Renaissance humanism. The 16th and 17th lines illustrates that he didn't separate his personal yearnings from his dramatic reflections.

So, (I) and (II) are correct while (III) is wrong.

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.

S4. Ans.(d)

Sol. The answer to the question can be derived from the second last sentence of the first paragraph. It is mentioned that Marlowe is remembered and judged with a sense of regret that he died young and that his talents left many, a masterpiece unwritten, especially in view of the fact that Shakespeare, similarly, gifted could achieve greatness with longer years of life.

It can be inferred that both options (b) and (c) are correct.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

S5. Ans.(e)

Sol. The answer to the question can be derived from the last paragraph. From the first sentence, option (c) can be inferred. From the last sentence, options (a) and (b) can be inferred.

So, each of options (a), (b) and (c) are correct.

Hence, option (e) is the correct answer.

S6. Ans.(e)

Sol. Meteoric [adjective] means 'very rapid';

Egregious [adjective] means 'standing out in a negative way; shockingly bad';

Conspicuous [adjective] means 'without any attempt at concealment; completely obvious';

Impudent [adjective] means 'improperly forward or bold';

Veracious [adjective] means 'truthful';

Sedate [adjective] means 'calm, dignified, and unhurried'; 'quiet and rather dull';

From above, it can be understood that 'sedate' is an antonym of 'meteoric'.

Hence, option (e) is the correct answer.

S7. Ans.(d)

Sol. Endow [verb] means 'give or bequeath an income or property to (a person or institution)'; 'provide with a quality, ability, or asset';

Mawkish [verb] means 'overly sentimental to the point that it is disgusting';

Vindicate [verb] means 'to clear of accusation, blame, suspicion, or doubt with supporting arguments or proofs';

Enervate [verb] means 'to sap energy from';

Bestow [verb] means 'confer or present (an honour, right, or gift)';

Castigate [verb] means 'to reprimand harshly';

From above, it can be understood that 'Bestow' is a SYNONYM of 'endow'.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

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S8. Ans.(c)

Sol. Prevail means 'be widespread or current in a particular area or at a particular time';
In the running means 'in contention for an award, victory, or a place in a team'; 'are being considered for';
'likely to receive';
Among the given three sentences, sentences (II) and (I) provide the correct meaning to the highlighted phrase.
Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.

S9. Ans.(a)

Sol. Slough means 'get rid of (something undesirable or no longer required)';
Go out of one's way means 'make a special effort to do something'; 'bother', 'take the time', 'exert oneself';
'go out of one's way';
Among the given three sentences, sentences (I) and (III) provide the correct meaning to the highlighted phrase.
Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.

S10. Ans.(d)

Sol. Mend one's (or yours) ways means 'improve one's habits or behaviour'; 'change completely'; 'changed for the better'; 'improve'; 'get back on the straight and narrow';
All the three sentences correctly provide the meaning to the highlighted phrase.
Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

S11. Ans.(b)

Sol. Replace "lade" by "laden"

S12. Ans.(c)

Sol. Woman here is a countable noun so it will take article "a" here.

S13. Ans.(d)

Sol. Replace "decide" by "decided" because whole sentence is in past tense.

S14. Ans.(d)

Sol. Here subject is "half of India's WTE plants" which is plural in nature so replace "is" by "are".

S15. Ans.(b)

Sol. Replace "in" by "out". 'Pull out' here is a phrasal verb that means withdraw from an undertaking.

S16. Ans.(d)

Sol. There is a minor error in the first sentence; the verb "**partners**" should be replaced by its first form "**partner**" as it is to be noted that the verb is used with "**to-infinitive**" [**to supply military hardware and partner...**]. Moreover, the use of the conjunction "**and**" denotes that both the verbs [supply and partner] should be in the same form to make the sentence grammatically correct. The other two statements are grammatically correct and do not require any correction. Hence option (d) is the correct choice.

S17. Ans.(a)

Sol. The first sentence is grammatically correct. However, there are errors in both the second and the third statements. In the statement (II), the plural verb “**have**” should be replaced by the singular verb “**has**” as the Subject it is referring is in singular form [**Culture**]. It is to be noted that the subject “**Culture**” incorporates both Buddhism and Hinduism as well, as it is mentioned “**including Buddhism and Hinduism**”. Thus, it will be considered a singular Subject only and to make the sentence grammatically correct, it should follow the subject-verb agreement.

In the case of the third sentence, the adverb “**then**” is incorrectly matched with the sentence structure; it should be replaced by the conjunction “**than**” as there is a case of comparison. The adverb “**then**” implies **after that; next; afterwards**, while the conjunction “**than**” implies **introducing the second element in a comparison**. Hence option (a) is the correct choice.

S18. Ans.(c)

Sol. Both the first and the third statements are grammatically correct and they do not require any correction. However, in the second sentence, there is a slight error in the use of an adverb instead of an adjective as the sentence demands. The adverb “**effectively**” should be replaced by the adjective “**effective**” as this adjective would modify the noun “**outcomes**” which wasn’t the case with the adverb. **Adjectives** are words that describe the qualities or states of being of nouns, while **Adverb** is a word or phrase that modifies the meaning of an adjective, verb, or other adverb, expressing manner, place, time, or degree (e.g. gently, here, now, very). Hence option (c) is the correct choice.

S19. Ans.(e)

Sol. All the three statements are grammatically correct and they do not require any correction. Hence option (e) is the correct choice.

S20. Ans.(c)

Sol. Both the statements (I) and (II) are grammatically correct. However, in the third sentence, the plural verb “**are**” should be replaced by its singular “**is**” as the noun following the phrase “**one of the**” is always a plural noun, whereas use of verbs as singular or plural entirely depends upon the subject of the statement, i.e. singular verb for singular subject and plural verb for plural subject. In this case, the Subject “**Eros**” is singular, so the verb should also be singular i.e. “**is**”. Hence option (c) is the correct choice.

S21. Ans.(a)

Sol. Option (a) is incorrect as appraised should be used here.

Appraise means to ascertain the value of and does not mean to apprise or to inform. Correct: "I appraised the jewels." / "I appraised him of the situation."

S22. Ans.(c)

Sol. Option (c) is incorrect as credible should be used in place of credulous.

Credible means believable and does not mean credulous or gullible. Correct: "His sales pitch was not credible." / "The con man took advantage of credulous people."

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S23. Ans.(b)

Sol. In option (b) the use of flaunt is incorrect and must be replaced with flout.

Flaunt means to show off and does not mean to flout. Correct: "She flaunted her abs." / "She flouted the rules."

S24. Ans.(b)

Sol. In option (b) the use of unbearable is incorrect and untenable should be used instead.

Untenable means indefensible or unsustainable and does not mean painful or unbearable. Correct: "Now that all the facts have been revealed, that theory is untenable." / "Her death brought him unbearable sadness."

S25. Ans.(d)

Sol. Option (d) is incorrect as luxuriant should be replaced with luxurious.

Luxuriant means abundant or florid and does not mean luxurious. Correct: "The poet has a luxuriant imagination." / "The car's fine leather seats were luxurious."

S26. Ans.(b)

Sol. Option (b) is the correct choice. **'Track down'** means to find something or someone after looking for it, him, or her in a lot of different places.

Founded means establish or originate (an institution or organization).

Footprint means the impression left by a foot or shoe on the ground or a surface.

Overlooked means failed to notice.

S27. Ans.(c)

Sol. Option (c) is the correct choice. Here the author talks about scans of the skeleton of an animal and later describes about its characteristics, so the word **"revealed"** fits the best, as the scans will reveal something then only anyone would know about the characteristics of the animal.

Leaked means become known.

Confronted means come face to face with (someone) with hostile or argumentative intent.

Concealed means kept secret; hidden.

S28. Ans.(c)

Sol. Option (c) is the correct choice. **"Wrote"** is the word that fits the best here as the author talks about a science journal Nature afterwards. So, things are written in a science journal.

Autographed means a signature, especially that of a celebrity written as a memento for an admirer.

Associated means (of a person or thing) connected with something else.

Determined means having made a firm decision and being resolved not to change it.

S29. Ans.(e)

Sol. Option (e) is the correct choice. **"Dragged"** is the word that fits best in the context of the passage as here the author talks about some finding which took the research group several million years back in the past.

Yawned means involuntarily open one's mouth wide and inhale deeply due to tiredness or boredom.

Cornered means (of a person or animal) forced into a place or situation from which it is hard to escape.

S30. Ans.(a)

Sol. Option (a) is the correct choice. Here the author is talking about a timeline since when the lizards have lived on this planet, so “**inhabited**” is the word that fits the best in the context of the passage.

Settled means sit or come to rest in a comfortable position.

S31. Ans.(c)

Sol. Both the starters (I) and (III) can be used to construct a meaningful sentence. Hence (c) is the correct choice.

(I) With more and more countries pledging to combat global warming and protecting the environment, the United States has not only pulled out of the 2015 Paris Agreement but has also taken climate change out of its National Security Strategy.

(III) While more and more countries are pledging to combat global warming and protecting the environment, the United States has not only pulled out of the 2015 Paris Agreement but has also taken climate change out of its National Security Strategy.

S32. Ans.(e)

Sol. All the starters can be used to frame the meaningful sentence accordingly. Hence (e) is the correct choice.

(I) While there are many dimensions and measurements of economic development, we tend to rely largely on a single measurement called Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

(II) Although there are many dimensions and measurements of economic development, we tend to rely largely on a single measurement called Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

(III) Despite the fact that there are many dimensions and measurements of economic development, we tend to rely largely on a single measurement called Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

S33. Ans.(a)

Sol. Only the first starter is the correct choice to form a coherent sentence.

(I) With a rapid increase in Chinese investments and greater involvement of Chinese companies in construction and other businesses in Nepal, Chinese economic diplomacy too has become intense.

S34. Ans.(e)

Sol. All the three starters can be used to form the meaningful sentence without altering the intended meaning of the two sentences. Hence (e) is the correct choice.

(I) Given the generally decrepit state of public health, most particularly in rural India, it would be utterly disingenuous to tinker with so critical an aspect of public policy.

(II) Considering the generally decrepit state of public health, most particularly in rural India, it would be utterly disingenuous to tinker with so critical an aspect of public policy.

(III) In the light of the generally decrepit state of public health, most particularly in rural India, it would be utterly disingenuous to tinker with so critical an aspect of public policy.

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S35. Ans.(c)

Sol. Both the starters (I) and (II) can be used to frame the meaningful sentence connecting both the sentences without altering their meanings. Hence (c) is the correct choice.

(I) While pluralism in many other spheres of national life is to be welcomed, there is little or no scope for medical pluralism.

(II) Although pluralism in many other spheres of national life is to be welcomed, there is little or no scope for medical pluralism.

S36. Ans.(b)

Sol. The logical sequence of the sentences to form a coherent paragraph is BFACED. Hence, option (b) is the most suitable answer choice.

S37. Ans.(c)

Sol. The logical sequence of the sentences to form a coherent paragraph is BFACED. Hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice.

S38. Ans.(e)

Sol. The logical sequence of the sentences to form a coherent paragraph is BFACED. Hence, option (e) is the most suitable answer choice.

S39. Ans.(d)

Sol. The logical sequence of the sentences to form a coherent paragraph is BFACED. Hence, option (d) is the most suitable answer choice.

S40. Ans.(a)

Sol. The logical sequence of the sentences to form a coherent paragraph is BFACED. Hence, option (a) is the most suitable answer choice.

S41. Ans (d)

Sol. Out of all the given options, only combination of sentences (A) and (E) makes a grammatically and contextually correct sentence. Hence, option (d) is the correct answer. There can be some confusion regarding B-E because even though it is illogical but it can make some sense if we want to but the presence of B-F makes it conclusive that option (c) is the incorrect choice.

S42. Ans.(c)

Sol. Option (c) is the correct choice for the given question.

A-D and A-E make the meaningful sentences while other are grammatically and contextually incorrect.

S43. Ans.(c)

Sol. Out of all the given options, only combination of sentences (B) and (F) makes a grammatically and contextually correct sentence. Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.

S44. Ans.(b)

Sol. Out of all the given options, only combination of sentences (A) and (F) makes a grammatically and contextually correct sentence. Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.

S45. Ans.(b)

Sol. Out of all the given options, only combination of sentences (A) and (E) makes a grammatically and contextually correct sentence. Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.

S46. Ans.(b)

Sol. Paramount: more important than anything else; supreme.

S47. Ans.(d)

Sol. Commendable: deserving praise.

Laudable: (of an action, idea, or aim) deserving praise and commendation.

S48. Ans.(e)

Sol. Humongous: huge; enormous.

S49. Ans.(d)

Sol. Violate: break or fail to comply with (a rule or formal agreement).

Comply: act in accordance with a wish or command.

S50. Ans.(b)

Sol. Speculate: form a theory or conjecture about a subject without firm evidence.

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