

Quiz Date: 2nd September 2020

Directions (1-8): Select the phrase/connector (STARTERS) from the given three options which can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences.

Q1.

(I) We have taken up the matter of recent provocative and aggressive actions with the Chinese side through both diplomatic and military channels.

(II) We have urged them to discipline and control their front line troops from undertaking such provocative actions.

- (i) Taking up the matter.....
- (ii) While we have taken.....
- (iii) Because we have urged.....

- (a) Both (ii) & (iii)
- (b) Both (i) & (ii)
- (c) Only (iii)
- (d) Only (ii)
- (e) All (i), (ii), (iii)

Q2.

(I) The figures came after the disappointing GDP data for the first quarter yesterday.

(II) The figures indicate that collections are on the recovery path in the first month of the second quarter.

- (i) Though the figures came.....
- (ii) Coming after the.....
- (iii) Indicating that collections.....

- (a) only (ii)
- (b) only (iii)
- (c) both (ii) & (iii)
- (d) both (i) & (iii)
- (e) all (i), (ii), (iii)

Q3.

(I) The Court set aside the National Security Act order passed against Gorakhpur doctor Kafeel Khan.

(II) The Court termed the order illegal and directed the UP Government to forthwith release him for jail.

- (i) Setting aside the.....
- (ii) Deciding to set.....
- (iii) Although the Court termed.....

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- (a) only (ii)
- (b) only (iii)
- (c) both (ii) & (iii)
- (d) both (i) & (ii)
- (e) all (i), (ii), (iii)

Q4.

- (I) Mr. Mehta appeared before a Bench, led by Justice Ashok Bhushan.
- (II) Mr. Mehta was asked whether the moratorium, which was to expire on August 31, had been extended.

- (i) Even though Mr. Mehta was.....
- (ii) While appearing before....
- (iii) Before Mr. Mehta was.....

- (a) Only (ii)
- (b) Both (i) & (ii)
- (c) All (i), (ii), (iii)
- (d) Both (i) & (iii)
- (e) Only (ii) & (iii)

Q5.

- (I) The Indian Army is now controlling key ridges on the southern bank of the Pangong Lake and has fortified its positions.
- (II) The Chinese army attempted to alter the status quo "unilaterally" on Saturday night.

- (i) After the Chinese army.....
- (ii) Because the Chinese army.....
- (iii) Post Chinese army attempting.....

- (a) Only (ii)
- (b) Both (i) & (ii)
- (c) All (i), (ii), (iii)
- (d) Both (i) & (iii)
- (e) Only (ii) & (iii)

Q6.

- (I) The Joint Entrance Examination (Main) for admission to top engineering colleges across the country was conducted in the Capital.
- (II) The examination adhered to strict protocols put in place to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

- (i) Adhering to strict.....
- (ii) The Joint Entrance.....
- (iii) Providing the examination.....

- (a) Only (i)
- (b) Only (ii)
- (c) Both (i) & (iii)
- (d) Both (i) & (ii)
- (e) all (i), (ii), (iii)

Q7.

(I) All the fears of giving the exam that were in her mind vanished.

(II) She entered the centre and hoped that there would be no spread of the virus so that students do not have to suffer a zero year.

- (i) While all the fears.....
- (ii) When stuti entered.....
- (iii) As soon as Stuti entered.....

- (a) Both (ii) & (iii)
- (b) Both (i) & (ii)
- (c) Only (iii)
- (d) Only (ii)
- (e) All (i), (ii), (iii)

Q8.

(I) Due to the different phases of the lockdown and restrictions due to COVID-19, the air quality has improved.

(II) There are lesser vehicles on the road and other industrial and business activities have also been reduced.

- (i) As there are lesser.....
- (ii) Due to the different.....
- (iii) Since the different phases.....

- (a) Both (i) & (ii)
- (b) Both (i) & (iii)
- (c) Both (ii) & (iii)
- (d) Only (ii)
- (e) None of these

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Directions (9-15): In the following questions, a word is given in bold followed by three sentences. Choose the appropriate option mentioning the sentence(s) that uses the highlighted word in a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful manner.

Q9. ALACRITY

- (I) Meanwhile, I've gone through the archives with speed and **alacrity**, but still can't find the name of the hotel.
- (II) The hard-boiled reporters in attendance look on in **alacrity** as the doddering old CEO mimics pumping motions with his arms.
- (III) Now that's what I call real thoughtfulness, and of course I accepted the suggestion with **alacrity**.

- (a) Only (I)
(b) Only (II)
(c) Both (II) and (III)
(d) Both (I) and (III)
(e) None of these

Q10. DECRY

- (I) Absorption is a personality trait associated with fantasy proneness, **decry** imagery and so forth.
- (II) Nevertheless, it has long been fashionable to **decry** the actions of those who use their power.
- (III) The artist will draw it into himself as if with a deep breath from an infinite distance, **decry** it, and body it forth.

- (a) Only (I)

- (b) Only (II)
- (c) Only (III)
- (d) Both (II) and (III)
- (e) None of these

Q11. DEBASE

- (I) It just goes to show that the whole protest culture is fundamentally **debase**.
 - (II) Darwinian biology explained how humans evolved from other life forms, and Mendelian genetics showed how **debase** traits were inherited.
 - (III) The state has understood this lesson since the kings of old began repeatedly to **debase** the coinage.
- (a) Only (I)
 - (b) Only (II)
 - (c) Only (III)
 - (d) Both (I) and (II)
 - (e) None of these

Q12. ONEROUS

- (I) The GST Council has had the **onerous** task of laying out the policy framework for administering the tax in a manner that benefits all stakeholders
 - (II) The council too needs to follow the network's **onerous** and move swiftly to recommend mandatory linking for refunds
 - (III) In a pan India joint operation, they **onerous** a network of exporters and their suppliers who had connived to claim fraudulent refunds of Integrated GST
- (a) Only (I)
 - (b) Only (II)
 - (c) Only (III)
 - (d) Both (I) and (II)
 - (e) None of these

Q13. LOOPHOLES

- (I) if one of independent directors resigns, retires or **loopholes** away, a situation could again arise where IGE directors will have more than a majority.
 - (II) Gangwal had made it clear that he would vote against any resolution unless **loopholes** in increasing the size of the board to 10 were plugged.
 - (III) Now the AGM will be a non-controversial **loopholes** meeting as everything has been agreed upon beforehand.
- (a) Only (I)
 - (b) Only (II)
 - (c) Only (III)
 - (d) Both (I) and (II)
 - (e) None of these

Q14. CONNIVE

(I) Face Technologies lacks the capacity to manage the job at hand or their staff and security personnel purposely **connive** to extort money from desperate public eager to get driving permits.

(II) President Museveni castigated elected **connive** who do not fight for their people's rights and urged them to use the principle of freedom fighters.

(III) Your body starts to manipulate, to **connive** to find ways of getting more pills.

- (a) Only (I)
- (b) Only (II)
- (c) Both (I) and (III)
- (d) Both (I) and (II)
- (e) None of these

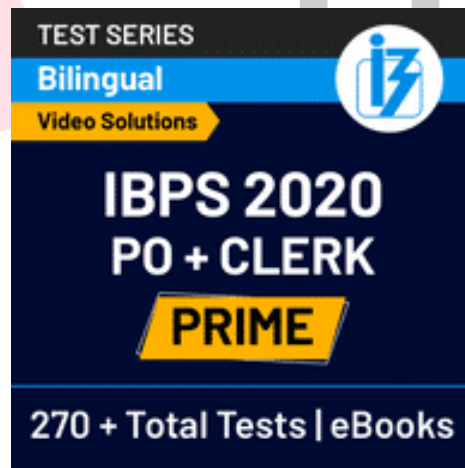
Q15. TENTATIVE

(I) Naturalization requires one to abjure allegiance to a foreign **tentative**, but America allows dual citizenship.

(II) Seeking absolute and unalloyed **tentative** to the nation from the entire population is the fulcrum of Mr. Modi's politics within India.

(III) The NHL has reached a **tentative** agreement on a four-year deal with the on-ice officials, according to a report.

- (a) Only (I)
- (b) Only (II)
- (c) Only (III)
- (d) Both (I) and (II)
- (e) None of these



Solutions

S1. Ans. (b)

Sol. Both (i) and (ii) starters can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. The sentences thus formed are:

(i) Taking up the matter of recent provocative and aggressive actions with the Chinese side through both diplomatic and military channels, we have urged them to discipline and control their front line troops from undertaking such provocative actions.

(ii) While we have taken up the matter of recent provocative and aggressive actions with the Chinese side through both diplomatic and military channels, We have urged them to discipline and control their front line troops from undertaking such provocative actions.

Hence, **option (b)** is the right answer choice.

S2. Ans. (c)

Sol. Both (ii) and (iii) starters can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. The sentences thus formed are:

(ii) Coming after the disappointing GDP data for the first quarter yesterday, the figures indicate that collections are on the recovery path in the first month of the second quarter.

(iii) Indicating that collections are on the recovery path in the first month of the second quarter, the figures came after the disappointing GDP data for the first quarter yesterday.

Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S3. Ans. (d)

Sol. Both (i) and (ii) starters can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. The sentences thus formed are:

(i) Setting aside the National Security Act order passed against Gorakhpur doctor Kafeel Khan, the Court termed the order illegal and directed the UP Government to forthwith release him for jail.

(ii) Deciding to set aside the National Security Act order passed against Gorakhpur doctor Kafeel Khan, the court termed the order illegal and directed the UP Government to forthwith release him for jail.

Hence, **option (d)** is the right answer choice.

S4. Ans. (a)

Sol. Only (ii) starter can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. The sentence thus formed is:

(ii) While appearing before a Bench, led by Justice Ashok Bhushan, Mr. Mehta was asked whether the moratorium, which was to expire on August 31, had been extended.

Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S5. Ans. (c)

Sol. All the three starters (i), (ii) and (iii) can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. The sentences thus formed are:

(i) After the Chinese Army attempted to alter the status quo “unilaterally” on Saturday night, the Indian Army is now controlling key ridges on the southern bank of the Pangong Lake and has fortified its positions.

(ii) Because the Chinese Army attempted to alter the status quo “unilaterally” on Saturday night, the Indian Army is now controlling key ridges on the southern bank of the Pangong Lake and has fortified its positions.

(iii) Post Chinese Army attempting to alter the status quo “unilaterally” on Saturday night, the Indian Army is now controlling key ridges on the southern bank of the Pangong Lake and has fortified its positions.

Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S6. Ans. (a)

Sol. Only (i) starter can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. The sentence thus formed is:

(i) Adhering to strict protocols put in place to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the Joint Entrance Examination (Main) for admission to top engineering colleges across the country was conducted in the Capital.

Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S7. Ans. (a)

Sol. Both (ii) and (iii) can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. The sentences thus formed are:

(ii) When Stuti entered the centre and hoped that there would be no spread of the virus so that students do not have to suffer a zero year, all the fears of giving the exam that were in her mind vanished.

(iii) As soon as Stuti entered and hoped that there would be no spread of the virus so that students do not have to suffer a zero year, all the fears of giving the exam that were in her mind vanished.

Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S8. Ans. (e)

Sol. None of the given starters can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

S9. Ans. (d)

Sol: “Alacrity” means Zeal, willingness, enthusiasm, eagerness. (I) and (III) stand correct both grammatically and contextually. However, (II) does not seem fit the word usage. Hence, option (d) is correct answer choice.

S10. Ans. (b)

Sol: “Decry” means “strong disapproval or criticize”. In the (II) statement, it is clearly indicating “decry the actions of those who use their power” which means criticizing or

disapproving the actions of people who are in power. The other statements (I) and (III) are completely irrelevant with the given word usage. Hence, option (b) is right answer choice.

S11. Ans. (c)

Sol: Here, "Debase" means "Lower the value of". In (III) statement, it's defining about how state learnt the lesson by kings of old who lowered the value of coinage. The other two statements will become grammatically incorrect with the usage of the give word. Hence, option (c) is correct.

S12. Ans. (a)

Sol. The term 'onerous' means 'Task or responsibility involving a great deal of effort, trouble, or difficulty'.

S13. Ans. (b)

Sol. 'Loopholes' means 'An ambiguity or inadequacy in the law or a set of rules'.

S14. Ans. (c)

Sol. The term 'connive' means 'Secretly allow something immoral, illegal, or harmful to occur'.

S15. Ans. (c)

Sol. The term 'tentative' means 'Not certain or fixed'. So, only (III) has the correct usage of given word and hence, the correct answer choice is option (c).

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