

Quiz Date: 6<sup>th</sup> October 2020

**Directions (1-5):** In each of the following questions a grammatically correct and meaningful sentence is given with four words given in bold in each. Which of the following words should replace each other to form a meaningful and grammatically correct sentence. The meaning can be different from the one in question.

**Q1.** The Central government is unable to provide the funds while Kerala has been stopped in its (A)**tracks** from seeking resources from (B) **abroad**, either from the Kerala (c)**diaspora** or from friendly (D) **overseas** governments.

- (a) C-B
- (b) A-D
- (c) B-D
- (d) A-B
- (e) No Interchange Possible

**Q2.** Immediately the sympathies of the (A)**police** and (B)**magistrates**, some sections of the media and (C)**public** opinion swing towards the (D)**perpetrator**, not the victim.

- (a) A-C
- (b) A-B
- (c) B-D
- (d) B-A
- (e) No Interchange Possible

**Q3.** It is (A) **imperative** that there be course corrections; otherwise the (B)**exercise** runs the risk of fueling a (C) **parallel** movement against the state by those being (D)**victimised** now.

- (a) A-D
- (b) A-C
- (c) A-B
- (d) B-D
- (e) No interchange is possible

**Q4.** The tsunami of 2004 and the (A) **threat** of piracy in the Indian Ocean provided India an (B) **opportunity** to test its new posture. Everybody was (C) **grateful**, but it made no difference to India's claim to (D) **permanent** membership.

- (a) No interchange possible
- (b) A-B
- (c) B-C
- (d) B-D
- (e) A-D

**Q5.** The government has (A) **tampered** with institutions by appointing its own people to positions of (B) **authority**, and by using the (C) **Enforcement Directorate**, Income Tax authorities, the Central Bureau of Investigation and the (D) **police** as bulldozers to flatten out any site of opposition.

- (a) A-C
- (b) B-D
- (c) C-D and A-B
- (d) C-D
- (e) A-D

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**Directions (6-10):** In each of the following questions a sentence is given with a word given in **BOLD**. Corresponding to each question three sentences are given with the use of the same word. From the options choose the sentences which give a **DIFFERENT MEANING** for the word used in the sentence above. The meaning used in the sentence(s) should be different from the one used in the main sentence.

**Q6.** The leaders of our ruling **dispensation** seem to have no respect for the rule of law, nor for the rules that regulate speech in public spaces.

**(I)** Because the soldier had saved his entire unit, the president gave him **dispensation** for his wartime crimes.

**(II)** Scholarship is conveyed to a wider audience than under the old **dispensation**.

**(III)** At the close of the Jubilee this **dispensation** was extended to all who had expired on the way to Rome.

- (a) Only I
- (b) Only II
- (c) Only III
- (d) Both I and II
- (e) Both I and III

**Q7.** This is the latest instalment in the rather **sordid** story of institutional decay in India, overseen by the leaders of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).

**(I)** He remained, however, uncertain how to do so without immersing himself further in Lydia Larkin's **sordid** activities.

**(II)** The overcrowded housing conditions were **sordid** and degrading.

**(III)** Everyone knows of the bank's manager **sordid** plan to steal the money.

- (a) Only III
- (b) Only II
- (c) Both I and II
- (d) Only I
- (e) Both II and III

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**Q8.** Competitive federalism, in the context of interaction with foreign countries, **promoted** by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has proved to be a double-edged sword.

**(I)** In 1761 he was **promoted** to be member of council, under the presidency of Mr Vansittart, who had been introduced by Clive

**(II)** The industry was actively **promoted** by a Frenchman named Jumel, in the service of Mehemet Ali, from 1820 onwards with great success.

**(III)** He actively **promoted** the incorporation of the left bank of the Rhine with France.

- (a) Only III

- (b) Both I and II
- (c) Only I
- (d) Both II and III
- (e) All of the above



**Q9.** When India's aspiration for permanent membership of the UN Security Council met with strong **resistance**, New Delhi hit upon the idea of forcing a vote in the General Assembly.

**(I)** The president's healthcare plan drew a lot of **resistance** from his political rivals.

**(II)** The employees' showed their **resistance** to the salary cuts by picketing outside the factory.

**(III)** He also investigated electrical endosmosis and the electrical **resistance** of electrolytes.

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

**Q10.** The constitutional framework does not provide thick or **substantive** conceptions of how we shall think, and in what we shall believe.

**(I)** Why should I take the herb when there is no **substantive** proof it will ease my pain

(II) Not only do we hear of these varieties of practice, but also of the laying on of hands; together with prayer as a **substantive** rite unconnected with baptism.

(III) They said no **substantive** objections to the agreement have been raised

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

**Directions (11-15):** In the questions given below a sentence is given with two blanks in each. Corresponding to each question two columns are given with three words in each column. Which combination of words from the two columns will perfectly fit into the blanks to make the sentence contextually correct and meaningful.

**Q11.** Mutual political suspicion and a lack of ..... of the complexities of the international situation have brought about a confrontation. The Chief Minister may have even made ..... and tactical misjudgments.

Column I	Column II
A. Appreciation	D. Acceptable
B. Acknowledgement	E. Diplomatic
C. Plethora	F. Strategic

- (a) C-E
- (b) A-F
- (c) B-F and A-E
- (d) B-D
- (e) C-D

**Q12.** The investigation also ..... that another pilot flying as Staff On Duty entered the cockpit after pressing the cockpit buzzer several times. The pilot in command ..... that he allowed the SOD inside the cockpit because the buzzer was distracting

Column I	Column II
A. Divulged	D. Advanced
B. Rejected	E. Submitted
C. Communicated	F. Recommended

- (a) C-D
- (b) B-E
- (c) A-E
- (d) A-F
- (e) B-E

**Q13.** A committee, chaired by Union Environment Minister Harsh Vardhan, has ..... wildlife clearance to the Mumbai-Ahmedabad high-speed train corridor that ..... upon a flamingo sanctuary and the Sanjay Gandhi National Park, home to leopards, in Mumbai.

Column I	Column II
A. Alienated	D. Encroaches
B. Estranged	E. Repelled
C. Accorded	F. Admonish

- (a) A-F
- (b) B-D and A-E
- (c) C-F
- (d) C-D
- (e) B-E

**Q14.** The CBI says there was no proper response to the earlier ..... it sent to the Police Commissioner, and alleges that he could have destroyed evidence that was initially gathered by the Special Investigation Team that he had ..... in the initial stage of the probe.

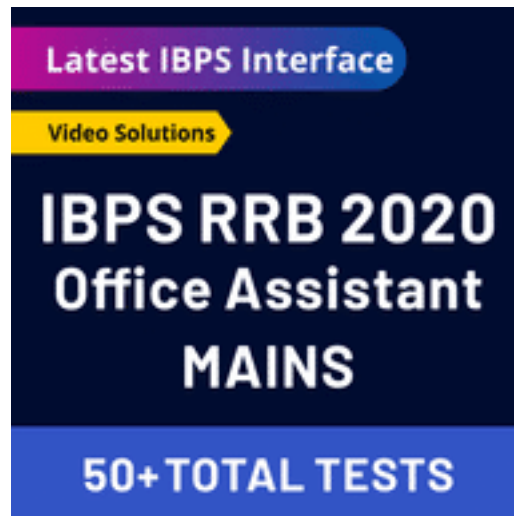
Column I	Column II
A. Declaration	D. Supervised
B. Summonses	E. Govern
C. Command	F. Administered

- (a) A-D
- (b) C-E
- (c) B-E
- (d) B-F and C-E
- (e) B-F and B-D

**Q15.** Following Taylor, we can rightly wonder why political power should be exercised, implemented and ..... without rules. Assertions of political power ..... affect our interests and our projects.

Column I	Column II
A. fickle	D. sabotage
B. executed	E. adversely
C. finished	F. negatively

- (a) A-E
- (b) C-D
- (c) A-C and B-E
- (d) B-E
- (e) C-F



### Solutions

#### S1. Ans.(c)

**Sol.** B-D can replace each other and form a meaningful sentence. "Abroad" and "overseas" can here be used interchangeably as they imply similar meaning and can be used at each other's place without altering the actual context of the sentence.

"Diaspora" is the spreading out of group of the people belonging to similar identity/ nation.

#### S2. Ans.(b)

**Sol.** A-B can replace each other and form a meaningful sentence. "Police" and "Magistrates" can be exchanged as they do not alter the actual meaning of the given statement. Also, "perpetrators" which means people who carries out a harmful, illegal, or immoral act and "public" can not replace other highlighted words of the sentence.

#### S3. Ans.(e)

**Sol.** No interchange is possible. As none of the given highlighted words can substitute each other, there is no scope for using the words interchangeably without altering their meaning.

#### S4. Ans.(e)

**Sol.** No interchange is possible. As none of the given highlighted words can substitute each other, there is no scope for using the words interchangeably without altering their meaning.

#### S5. Ans.(d)



**Sol.** C-D can replace each other and form a meaningful sentence. Here, "Enforcement Directorate" and "Police" can be interchanged as the statement mentions about a whole lot of bureaucrats and police. Thus placing Enforcement Directorate and Police at each others position will imply the similar meaning.

Also, "tampered" which implies interfere with (something) in order to cause damage or make unauthorized alterations and "authority" cannot replace any other highlighted words within the statement.

**S6. Ans. (e)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence, "Dispensation" implies a political, religious, or social system prevailing at a particular time which is similar to II. In statements I and III, "Dispensation" is used in context of exemption from a rule or usual requirement.

Hence, option (e) is the correct answer.

**S7. Ans. (b)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence "sordid" means something involving immoral or dishonourable actions and motives which is similar to the I and III. Whereas, in statement II, sordid implies something dirty or squalid.

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.

**S8. Ans. (c)**

**Sol.** In the given sentence promoted is used in context of supporting or actively encouraging something for its further progress which is similar to the statements given in II and III. Whereas, in statement I, promoted implies to raise (someone) to a higher position or rank.

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.

**S9. Ans. (d)**

**Sol.** In the given statement, resistance implies the refusal to accept or comply with something which is similar to the statements I and II. Whereas, in statement III, resistance is used in context of the degree to which a substance or device opposes the passage of an electric current.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

**S10. Ans. (e)**

**Sol.** In the given statement, substantive has been having a firm basis in reality and so important, meaningful, or considerable. In Statements I, II and III, substantive imparts almost a similar meaning as given in the original sentence.

**S11. Ans (c)**

**Sol.** B-F and A-E are the correct pair to be substituted in the blanks given within the statement. Appreciation and acknowledgement are synonymous to each other and fit the first blank perfectly. Similarly, diplomatic and strategic can be used interchangeably to define something that is related to diplomacy.

**S12. Ans (c)**

**Sol.** A-E is the correct pair to be substituted in the blanks given within the statement. Here divulged implies make known/ revealing (private or sensitive information) and submitted is used in context of accepting to the authority.

**S13. Ans (d)**

**Sol.** C-D is the correct pair to be substituted in the blanks given within the statement. Here accorded means give or grant someone (power, status, or recognition) and encroaches means intrude on/ trespass.

"Estranged" means no longer close or affectionate to someone which is also similar to "Alienated".

"Repelled" here implies drive or force (an attack or attacker) back or away.

"Admonish" means warn or reprimand someone firmly.

**S14. Ans (e)**

**Sol.** B-D and B-F are the correct pair to be substituted in the blanks given within the statement. Here, "Summons" implies orders to appear before a judge or magistrate, or the writ containing such an order. Also, as the police commissioner had observed and directed the execution of investigation, both, "Supervised" and "Administered" can be used to fill in the second blank.

**S15. Ans (d)**

**Sol.** B-E is the correct pair to be substituted in the blanks given within the statement. "Executed" here implies put (a plan, order, or course of action) into effect and "adversely" implies in a way that prevents success or development; harmfully or unfavorably. Therefore Executed and Adversely perfectly fit in the blanks given in the statement.

Also, here "fickle" implies changing frequently, especially as regards one's loyalties or affections and "sabotage" means deliberately destroy, damage, or obstruct (something), especially for political or military advantage.

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