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Directions (1-5): In each question below, a word is given followed by four pairs. Choose the pair which states either the synonyms or the antonyms or a synonym and an antonym of the given word. If none of the four pairs are correct then choose "None of these" as your answer choice.

Q1.

Uncontested

- (a) Absolute, Disputable
- (b) Controversial, Before
- (c) Disputed, Disapprove
- (d) Acceptable, Possible
- (e) None of these

Q2.

Premeditated

- (a) Disfavour, Unsuspected
- (b) National, Tolerate
- (c) Deliberated, Calculate
- (d) Intended, Frown
- (e) None of these

Q3.

Rivalry

- (a) Calculated, Allow
- (b) Deliberate, Spontaneous
- (c) Animatic, Enemy
- (d) Vying, Contention
- (e) None of these

Q4.

Disconcerting

- (a) Disturbing, Accidental
- (b) Unsettling, Unnerving
- (c) Discomfiting, Undercharge
- (d) Deceive, Alarming
- (e) None of these

Q5.

Fleecing

- (a) Swindle, Defraud
- (b) Reassuring, Rebellion
- (c) Tussle, Liberate
- (d) Carelessness, Scam

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(e) None of these

Directions (6-10): In each question, the word is given in bold and is then used in four different ways, numbered (a) to (d). Choose the option in which the usage of the word is INCORRECT or INAPPROPRIATE. If it is used correctly in each of the sentence then choose option (e) as your choice.

Q6.

Dampen

- (a) When you look at all the archives you soon see the disgusting situation of non-success for the **dampen** of farmers.
- (b) The stunned wife **dampens** that the money she earned working under the scorching sun has gone down the drain.
- (c) The oscillations began to **dampen** out after about three seconds, and once again I was in control of the aircraft.
- (d) The course of events that puts you there happens fast and without regard to your wants and **dampens**.
- (e) All are correct.

Q7.

Haulage

- (a) He said **haulage** firms were already being badly hit by increases, which were having to be passed on to customers.
- (b) In sectors such as road **haulage**, some companies have clearly been badly hit but others have gained.
- (c) Passage through major cities was also often difficult and substantially increased the cost of **haulage**.
- (d) We presumed that the dog had probably come from a **haulage** lorry, or a contractor working in the area.
- (e) All are correct.



Q8.

Contentious

- (a) The Navy gave the last sailor to fight in both world wars a funeral **contentions** an Admiral of the Fleet.
- (b) It will spark months of **contentious** debate in Congress, where lawmakers will fight to protect their favored programs.
- (c) To contact the Metropolitan Police is a **contentions** experience of long delays, indifference, obstructiveness and even downright hostility.
- (d) Those more **contentious** animals were kept away while those less dangerous and more pleasing were allowed out.
- (e) All are correct.

Q9.

Permit

- (a) Jenkins showed us one evening just how effective the **permit** process of oxidation and reduction could be.
- (b) It is very hard to be a Vajrayana practitioner with a **permit**, chicken-hearted attitude toward life.
- (c) The radio controls are designed more for style than function and are **permit** to use.
- (d) Many pond owners do not **permit** the use of minnows as bait because the minnows may be small, undesirable fish.
- (e) All are correct.

Q10.

Ameliorate

- (a) As the disease progresses, it can **ameliorate** a person by slowly eating away the joint's cartilage and bone.
- (b) In effect, nationalism provided a strong overarching bond of identity to set against and **ameliorate** class divisions.
- (c) Since American Black ducks are not native to Washington, this decline is not of major conservation concern in our **ameliorate**.
- (d) At first I began to feel a bit **ameliorated** about the squeakiness in my own voice, but after a moment that had disappeared.
- (e) All are correct.

Direction (11-15): In each of the following questions four words are given, of which two words are most nearly the same or opposite in meaning. Find the two words which are most nearly the same or opposite in meaning and indicate the number of the correct letter combination.

Q11.

- (A) Reduce
- (B) Traditionalism
- (C) Thenceforth
- (D) Orthodoxy

- (a) A and B

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

Q12.

- (A) Revenge
- (B) Dislodge
- (C) Retribution
- (D) Secure

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

Q13.

- (A) Ingrained
- (B) Restart
- (C) Reopening
- (D) Certainly

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

Q14.

- (A) Suspension
- (B) Spontaneous
- (C) Return
- (D) Abandonment

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

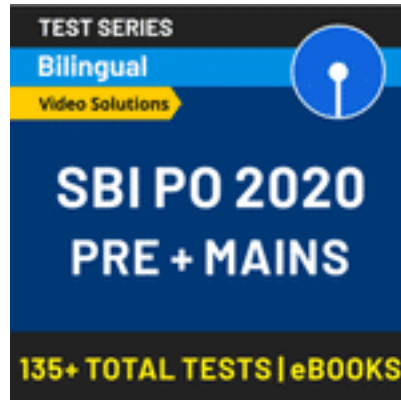
Q15.

- (A) Previously
- (B) Wisely



(C) Earlier
(D) Past

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



Solutions

S1. Ans. (a)

Sol. **Uncontested- not contested: Unchallenged, Undisputed, Absolute**
Absolute- (S)
Disputable- (A)

S2. Ans. (c)

Sol. **Premeditated- Think out or plan an action, especially a crime beforehand.**
Intended, Deliberate, Calculated
Deliberated- (S)
Calculate- (S)

S3. Ans. (d)

Sol. **Rivalry- Competition for the same objective or for superiority in the same field.**
Competitiveness, Competition, Contention, Vying
Vying- (S)
Contention- (S)

S4. Ans. (b)

Sol. **Disconcerting- Causing one to feel unsettled.**
Unsettling, Unnerving, Discomfiting, Disturbing

S5. Ans. (a)

Sol. Fleecing- Obtain a great deal of money from someone, typically by overcharging or swindling them.

Swindle, Cheat, Defraud, Deceive

S6. Ans. (c)

Sol. **Dampen: Make less strong or intense.**

Lessen, Decrease, Diminish, Reduce, Lower

(a): **betterment** would fit suitably

(b): **Laments** would fit suitably

(d) **Desires** would fit suitably

S7. Ans. (e)

Sol. Haulage- The commercial transport of goods.

S8. Ans. (b)

Sol. **Contentious- Causing or likely to cause an argument; controversial.**

Controversial, Disputable, Debatable, Disputed

(a): Befitting (appropriate to the occasion.) would fit suitably

(c): Frustrating (causing annoyance or upset because of an inability to change or achieve something.) would fit suitably

(d): Ferocious (savagely fierce, cruel, or violent.) would fit suitably

S9. Ans. (d)

Sol. Permit: officially allow (someone) to do something. OR an official document giving someone authorization to do something.

(a): Thermite would fit suitably

(b): Timid would fit suitably

(c): Awkward would fit suitably

S10. Ans. (b)

Sol. Ameliorate: make (something bad or unsatisfactory) better. OR Improve, Better

(a): Debilitate (make (someone) very weak and infirm. OR hinder, delay, or weaken.) would fit suitably

(c): State would fit suitably

(d): Embarrassed (of something unpleasant or severe) become less intense or widespread.) would fit suitably

S11. Ans. (d)

Sol. B and D are nearly the same in meaning. Hence, **option (d)** is the right answer choice.

S12. Ans. (c)

Sol. A and C are nearly same in meaning. Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S13. Ans. (b)

Sol. B and C are nearly same in meaning. Hence, **option (b)** is the right answer choice.

S14. Ans. (e)

Sol. A and D are nearly same in meaning. Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

S15. Ans. (c)

Sol. A and C are nearly same in meaning. Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

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