

Quiz Date: 24th June 2020

Direction (1-15); 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) Pakistan has continued to facilitate their military operations against US troops.
(II) It has repeatedly promised to act against the Taliban, or to push them into peace negotiations.

- (i) Though Pakistan has...
(ii) Continuing to facilitate...
(iii) Despite repeatedly promising...

- (a) Only (i) is correct
(b) Only (ii) is correct
(c) Only (iii) is correct
(d) Both (i) and (iii) are correct
(e) All are correct

Q2.

- (I) Expansion of BharatNet, a project to connect all the 2.5 lakh gram panchayats is a move in the direction of access to reliable, stable and high-speed broadband service all over the country.
(II) Raising allocation from Rs 6,000 crore in 2016-17 to Rs 10,000 crore for the current fiscal is hardly adequate for this sector.

- (i) While expansion of...
(ii) Although raising allocation...
(iii) In a move to expand...

- (a) Only (i) is correct
(b) Only (ii) is correct
(c) Both (i) and (iii) are correct
(d) Both (ii) and (iii) are correct
(e) All are correct

Q3.

- (I) Malaysia has maintained good terms with all claimants, notably China.
(II) Malaysia was the first to claim some of the Spratly Islands way back in 1979 in its Exclusive Economic Zone.

- (i) While maintaining good...
(ii) As Malaysia was the first...
(iii) In order to maintain...

- (a) Only (i) is correct
(b) Only (ii) is correct
(c) Only (iii) is correct
(d) Both (i) and (ii) are correct
(e) All are correct

Q4.

(I) The government has been making efforts to encourage the acquisition of weapons systems and defence equipment through the “make in India” route.

(II) However about 70 per cent of the requirements are still imported.

(i) In an effort to encourage...

(ii) Though the government...

(iii) The acquisition of weapons systems and defence equipment.....

(a) Only (ii) is correct

(b) Only (iii) is correct

(c) Both (i) and (iii) are correct

(d) Both (ii) and (iii) are correct

(e) All are correct

Q5.

(I) The Defence Budget is a statement of account.

(II) It is a tool for demonstrating the country’s resolve and for enhancing deterrence through signalling.

(i) Since the Defence Budget...

(ii) Apart from being a statement...

(iii) Besides being a statement...

(a) Only (i) is correct

(b) Only (iii) is correct

(c) Both (i) and (ii) are correct

(d) Both (ii) and (iii) are correct

(e) All are correct

Q6. (I) It is important not to extrapolate the outcome to interpret what will happen in 2019.

(II) It will have an impact on the fortunes and stature of leaders, national as well as regional.

(i) Nevertheless it will have an impact on the.....

(ii) While it is important not to extrapolate.....

(iii) As exemplified by the importance of not to.....

(a) Only (i)

(b) Only (ii)

(c) Only (iii)

(d) Both (ii) and (i)

(e) None of the above

Q7. (I) The research team, working through ESA’s Climate Change Initiative, found only modest elevation changes in the early 1990s.

(II) The pace of thinning is clear in the satellite observations from 2003 onwards.

(i) In spite of the fact that the research team ,

(ii) Although the research team, working through.....

(iii) Even though the research team , working through

(a) Only (iii)

- (b)Both (ii) and (iii)
- (c)Both (i) and (ii)
- (d)Both (i) and (iii)
- (e)All (i),(ii) and (iii)



- Q8. (I) US has not dismissed the proposal out of hand and it must be seen as a last ditch effort.
 (II) The proposal must be seen as a last-ditch effort to resolve the existential crisis facing the important institution.
- (i)In a broader perspective US has not taken any.....
 - (ii)US not dismissing the proposal out of hand.....
 - (iii)As a matter of fact US has not resolved the proposal.....

- (a)Only (i)
- (b)Both (ii) and (iii)
- (c)Only (ii)
- (d)Both (i) and (iii)
- (e)None of the above

- Q9.(I)It is noted that the India-US relationship in defense has acquired the dimensions of a strategic partnership over the last decade.
 (II)Nirmala Sitharaman said the two countries have made considerable progress.

- (i)On the contrary it is noted that Nirmala Sitharaman.....
- (ii)Unfortunately it is noted that the India-US relationship.....
- (iii)Noting that the India-US relationship in defense.....

- (a)Only (i)
- (b)Both (i) and (ii)
- (c)Only (ii)
- (d)Only (iii)
- (e)None of the above

- Q10. (I) It is open to question whether the White House will pursue a tougher stance towards Russia.
 (II) The President and his Republican cabal have consistently debunked the inquiry.

- (i)Given that the President and...
- (ii)Seeing that the President and...
- (iii)Despite questioning whether...

- (a) Only (i) is correct
- (b) Only (iii) is correct
- (c) Both (i) and (ii) are correct
- (d) Both (ii) and (iii) are correct
- (e) All are correct

Q11. (I) Medical science, neuroscience and psychology can reveal the benefits of forgiveness to our mental, physical, emotional and even spiritual wellbeing,
(II) They fail to explain the deep connections that we have with one another and our desire to live in peace and harmony in our communities.

- (i) Although medical science, neuroscience...
- (ii) While medical science, neuroscience...
- (iii) Notwithstanding that medical science...

- (a) Only (ii) is correct
- (b) Only (iii) is correct
- (c) Both (i) and (iii) are correct
- (d) Both (ii) and (iii) are correct
- (e) All are correct

Q12. (I) Mahatma Gandhi inspires the spirit of goodness.
(II) One can negotiate all conflicts and constraints with joy and togetherness, freedom of thought and expression and tolerance.

- (i) While negotiating all conflicts and...
- (ii) As Mahatma Gandhi inspires...
- (iii) With the spirit of goodness as...

- (a) Only (i) is correct
- (b) Only (iii) is correct
- (c) Both (i) and (ii) are correct
- (d) Both (ii) and (iii) are correct
- (e) All are correct

Q13. (I) News of detente, talks with South Korea and potential Olympic medals have clearly focused attention on the Korean peninsula.
(II) The children of North Korean women in China, most of whom have been trafficked out of the sealed state into illegal marriages, prostitution and slavery, live stateless on the fringes of society, unrecognized as citizens or even refugees.

- (i) Although news of détente, talks...
- (ii) Notwithstanding that news of détente...
- (iii) As the children of North Korean women...

- (a) Only (i) is correct
- (b) Only (iii) is correct
- (c) Both (i) and (ii) are correct
- (d) Both (ii) and (iii) are correct
- (e) All are correct



Q14. (I) We hope that the Indian family continues to be stronger than in most countries and provides a caring environment for the elderly.

(II) It can't be the basis for our ability to support the elderly.

(i) While we hope that Indian family...

(ii) Hoping that the Indian family can't be the basis...

(iii) To support the elderly, we hope that...

(a) Only (i) is correct

(b) Only (ii) is correct

(c) Only (iii) is correct

(d) Both (i) and (iii) are correct

(e) All are correct

Q15. (I) More and more countries are pledging to combat global warming and protecting the environment.

(II) 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.

(i) With more and more countries...

(ii) Despite pulling out of the 2015...

(iii) While more and more countries...

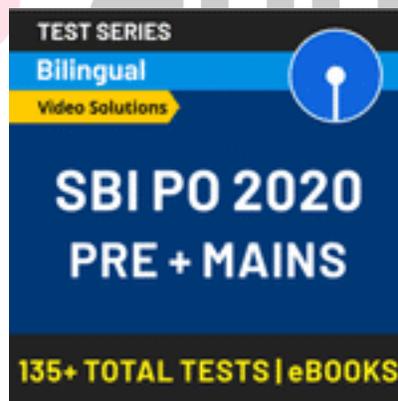
(a) Only (i) is correct

(b) Only (ii) is correct

(c) Both (i) and (iii) are correct

(d) Both (ii) and (iii) are correct

(e) All are correct



Solutions

S1. Ans. (d)

Sol. (i) Though Pakistan has repeatedly promised to act against the Taliban, or to push them into peace negotiations, it has continued to facilitate their military operations against US troops.

(iii) Despite repeatedly promising to act against the Taliban, or to push them into peace negotiations, Pakistan has continued to facilitate their military operations against US troops.

S2. Ans. (a)

Sol. (i) While expansion of BharatNet, a project to connect all the 2.5 lakh gram panchayats is a move in the direction of access to reliable, stable and high-speed broadband service all over the country, raising allocation from Rs 6,000 crore in 2016-17 to Rs 10,000 crore for the current fiscal is hardly adequate.

S3. Ans. (a)

Sol. While maintaining good terms with all claimants, notably China, Malaysia was the first to claim some of the Spratly Islands way back in 1979 in its Exclusive Economic Zone.

S4. Ans. (a)

Sol. (ii) Though the government has been making efforts to encourage the acquisition of weapons systems and defence equipment through the "make in India" route, about 70 per cent of the requirements are still imported.

S5. Ans. (d)

Sol. (ii) Apart from being a statement of account, the Defence Budget is also a tool for demonstrating the country's resolve and for enhancing deterrence through signalling.

(iii) Besides being a statement of account, the defence budget is a tool for demonstrating the country's resolve and for enhancing deterrence through signalling

S6. Ans. (b)

Sol. Option (b) is the most appropriate choice among all the choices given to connect the two sentences in a most suitable way. The sentence can be connected in such a way, **"While it is important not to extrapolate the outcome to interpret what will happen in 2019, it will have an impact on the fortunes and stature of leaders, national as well as regional."**

S7. Ans. (e)

Sol. Option (e) is the most suitable option as it contains all the choices which can be used to connect the two sentences given in the question. The sentence can be connected in the given way, as follows, **"Although the research team, working through ESA's Climate Change Initiative, found only modest elevation changes in the early 1990's, the pace of thinning is clear in the satellite observations from 2003 onwards."**

The other sentence can be as follow,

"In spite of the fact that the research team, working through ESA's Climate Change Initiative, found only modest elevation changes in the early 1990s, the pace of thinning is clear in the satellite observations from 2003 onwards."

The next sentence that can be formed by connecting the two sentences is,

"Even though, the research team, working through ESA's Climate Change Initiative, found only modest elevation changes in the early 1990s, the pace of thinning is clear in the satellite observations from 2003 onwards."

S8. Ans. (c)

Sol. Option (c) is the correct choice among all the options given. The given two sentences cannot be connected using (i) and (iii). Only option (ii) can be used, in the way as follows: **"US not dismissing the proposal out of hand must be seen as a last-ditch effort to resolve the existential crisis facing the important institution."**

S9. Ans. (d)

Sol. Option (d) is the most appropriate option as the answer choice. The two sentences can be connected in the following way: **"Noting that the India-US relationship in defense has acquired the dimensions of a strategic partnership over the last decade, Nirmala Sitharaman said the two countries have made considerable progress."**

S10. Ans. (c)

Sol. Both the first and the second starters can be used to frame meaningful sentences without altering the intended meaning of the two sentences. Hence the option (c) is the correct choice.

(i) Given that the President and his Republican cabal have consistently debunked the inquiry, it is open to question whether the White House will pursue a tougher stance towards Russia.

(ii) Seeing that the President and his Republican cabal have consistently debunked the inquiry, it is open to question whether the White House will pursue a tougher stance towards Russia.

S11. Ans. (e)

Sol. All the three starters are feasible enough to form meaningful and contextual sentences without altering the intended meaning of the given two sentences. Hence the option (e) is the correct choice.

(I) Although medical science, neuroscience and psychology can reveal the benefits of forgiveness to our mental, physical, emotional and even spiritual wellbeing, they fail to explain the deep connections that we have with one another and our desire to live in peace and harmony in our communities.

(II) While medical science, neuroscience and psychology can reveal the benefits of forgiveness to our mental, physical, emotional and even spiritual wellbeing, they fail to explain the deep connections that we have with one another and our desire to live in peace and harmony in our communities.

(III) Notwithstanding that medical science, neuroscience and psychology can reveal the benefits of forgiveness to our mental, physical, emotional and even spiritual wellbeing, they fail to explain the deep connections that we have with one another and our desire to live in peace and harmony in our communities.

S12. Ans. (d)

Sol. Statement (I) is not possible with the given starter/connector as it would alter the meaning of the actual sentence. However, the other two statements are possible with the given starters.

(ii) As Mahatma Gandhi inspires the spirit of goodness, one can negotiate all conflicts and constraints with joy and togetherness, freedom of thought and expression and tolerance.

(iii) With the spirit of goodness as Mahatma Gandhi inspires, one can negotiate all conflicts and constraints with joy and togetherness, freedom of thought and expression and tolerance.

S13. Ans. (c)

Sol. Both the starters (i) and (ii) can be used to form the meaningful sentence without altering the intended meaning of the two statements. It is to be noted that both the conjunctions "**Although**" and "**Notwithstanding**", mean the same i.e. *in spite of the fact that; even though*. In the given case, both these conjunctions give a contextual meaning to the given sentences. Hence (c) is the correct choice.

(i) Although news of detente, talks with South Korea and potential Olympic medals have clearly focused attention on the Korean peninsula, the children of North Korean women in China, most of whom have been trafficked out of the sealed state into illegal marriages, prostitution and slavery, live stateless on the fringes of society, unrecognized as citizens or even refugees.

(ii) Notwithstanding that news of detente, talks with South Korea and potential Olympic medals have clearly focused attention on the Korean peninsula, the children of North Korean women in China, most of whom have been trafficked out of the sealed state into illegal marriages, prostitution and slavery, live stateless on the fringes of society, unrecognized as citizens or even refugees.

S14. Ans. (a)

Sol. Only the first starter can be used to form a meaningful sentence connecting both the given statements without altering their intended meanings.

(i) While we hope that the Indian family continues to be stronger than in most countries and provides a caring environment for the elderly, it can't be the basis for our ability to support the elderly.

S15. 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.

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