



SSC CGL TIER-I -ENGLISH LANGUAGE (MEMORY BASED): SOLUTIONS

1. (d); Option (d) is the correct choice for the question. The basic meaning of the idiom is to have enough money to be able to eat and live.
2. (c); Teething problems or troubles mean short-term problems that occur in the early stages of a new project.
3. (a); 'At a stone's throw' means a very short distance.
4. (c); Option (c) is the correct choice as in 'Neither... nor' verb agrees with the subject nearest to it.
5. (d); There is no need for improvement in this question.
6. (a); The correct sentence is 'were more afflicting' because 'Calamities' and 'Indigence' make plural subjects and hence verb should be plural.
7. (c); Dictionary is the correct spelling.
8. (d); Ambiguous is the correct spelling.
9. (c); Scapegoat is the correct choice as it means a person who is blamed for something that someone else has done.
10. (a); Incurable means (of a person or their behaviour) not able to be changed or reformed.
11. (a); Expiate means "make amends or reparation for (guilt or wrongdoing)".
12. (c);
13. (b);
14. (c); Replace 'each other' with 'one another'.
15. (c); "If you permit me to speak the truth, I shall state without hesitation that you have made a mistake." is the correct sentence.
16. (a); "I succeeded in persuading him to come with me only after hours of argument." is the correct sentence.
17. (a); Opulent means ostentatiously costly and luxurious hence lavish is the word most similar in meaning.
18. (c); Grottesque means comically or repulsively ugly or distorted.
19. (d); Irk means irritate; annoy hence affable is the word most opposite in meaning.
20. (d); vanity means excessive pride in or admiration of one's own appearance or achievements, so "humility" is the word which is opposite in meaning to it.
21. (b)
22. (d)
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