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S1. Ans. (c)

Sol. Refer to 2nd paragraph, "Oil tycoons in Russia have made huge fortunes by using gaping holes in tax legislation to pay far below the standard 24 percent corporate rate."

S2. Ans. (c)

Sol. Refer to 2nd paragraph "While the Soviet Government bought grain and other foreign and other foreign consumer goods to be sold in domestic markets at heavily subsidized rates, Russia rejected socialism." & 3rd paragraph, "But the gap between the rich and the poor continues to widen with 19 million people still below the poverty line."

S3. Ans. (d)

Sol. Refer to 1st paragraph , 1st & 2nd sentence, "As India and other energy importing countries struggle with runaway oil prices, Russia earned more than \$ 300 billion in oil export earnings. This has driven its economic growth. Today, Russia is the eighth largest economy in the world in purchasing Power Parity."

S4. Ans. (c)

Sol. Mentioned in paragraph 2, "the Soviet Government bought grain and other foreign and other foreign consumer goods to be sold in domestic markets at heavily subsidized rates, Russia rejected socialism."

S5. Ans. (b)

Sol. Refer to the last paragraph. "Russia is slowly moving from a resources dependent to a science based economy. The government has raised funding for infrastructure (outmoded transport networks put a brake on the economy), aviation and nuclear energy among other sectors."

S6. Ans. (d)

Sol. None of the options implies Russia's oil course.

S7. Ans. (d)

Sol. Refer to the last paragraph, "Driven by high global energy and food prices, the Russian central bank has been forced to raise the interest rate four times this year in order to keep inflation down."

S8. Ans. (c)

Sol. Refer to paragraphs 1, 2 and 3. All statements except (c) are stated. In paragraph 2, Eliot clearly states that the past is never dead; rather, it always lives in the present. Hence (c) is the correct option.

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S9. Ans. (d)

Sol. The passage does not elucidate A, there is only a passing reference. Option (b) is too general since the passage does not talk about art in general. Option (c) refers to only one of the aspects discussed and hence is too narrow in scope. Hence (d) is the correct option.

S10. Ans. (c)

Sol. Refer to paragraph 2, last three lines, "The greatness of a poem does not depend not depend on the types of pleasure it gives or the quality of moral improvement it effects, but on the order an unity it imposes on the chaotic and disparate experiences of the poet. A good poem must give the impression of a perfect organization experiences.

S11. Ans. (a)

Sol. Second paragraph state that the romantic theory of poetry propounds that poetry is an expression of the poet's own self. Therefore, the poet's own perceptions and his individualism are of utmost importance. Hence (a) is correct option.

S12. Ans. (b)

Sol. Eliot believes that the past is never dead, thus ruling out option (a). Option (d) is not mentioned anywhere. Option (d) highlights only one aspect, that of the past influencing the present and not of the other way around. Hence (b).

S13. Ans. (a)

Sol. **Transcend** means be or go beyond the range or limits of (a field of activity or conceptual sphere) and **outvie** means outdo in competition or rivalry.

S14. Ans. (e)

Sol. **Amalgamates** means combine or unite to form one organization or structure and **meld** means to combine.

S15. Ans. (c)

Sol. **Fuse** means join or blend to form a single entity and **merge** means combine or cause to combine to form a single entity.

S16. Ans.(a)

Sol. Use "the life of the blind" in place of " The blind's life" because in the case of The+ Adjective in plural Noun scenario we don't use s' as we use the preposition 'of' to denote the relationship.
Eg- The hobbies of the rich.

S17. Ans.(b)

Sol. Use 'that' in place of 'since' as after 'ago' that is used as a conjunction.

S18. Ans. (a)

Sol. 'of' should not be used after 'despite'.

e.g. Despite his poverty the boy managed to get himself educated.

S19. Ans. (e)

Sol. No error

S20. Ans.(c)

Sol. 'A lack of' is the correct phrasal expression to be used here.

e.g. A lack of stamina is fatal for a sports personality.

S21. Ans. (c)

Sol. Option (c) is true.

Requisite means which is necessary or required.

Superfluous means redundant, surplus

S22. Ans. (d)

Sol. Option (d) is true.

Refute means disapprove.

Abrogate means to evade.

S23. Ans.(b)

Sol. Embossed means carve, mould, or stamp a design on (a surface or object) so that it stands out in relief and meanwhile means in the intervening period of time.

S24. Ans.(e)

Sol. Unassailable means unable to be attacked, questioned, or defeated

Pursuit means the action of pursuing someone or something.

S25. Ans.(c)

Sol. Crucial means decisive or critical, especially in the success or failure of something

Vagaries means an unexpected and inexplicable change in a situation or in someone's behaviour.

S26. Ans. (c)

Sol. (i) Though India has climbed rapidly up the ladder of growth rates, it has fallen relatively behind in the scale of social indicators of living standards.

(ii) Although India has climbed rapidly up the ladder of growth rates, it has fallen relatively behind in the scale of social indicators of living standards.

S27. Ans. (a)

Sol. (i) As the pyre was lit and Gandhi's frail body consigned to flames, someone from the mourning millions exclaimed: 'Now he belongs to the ages.'

S28. Ans.(a)

Sol. Only (i) is correct

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S29. Ans.(a)

Sol. The given paragraph talks about the economic survey's explanation and the condition of Indian economy during 2000s. The preceding sentence to the blank space points at the plans that Indian firms took during that period as the world economy was booming. Thus the sentence following this statement should be related to the steps taken by them. When we look at the given options, only option (a) expresses some steps taken during that period which can be verified through the following sentence to the blank space. Other options do not add meaning to the given paragraph.

S30. Ans. (e)

Sol. Read the paragraph carefully. It talks about certain social ills that our education system is accustomed to. The use of word 'yet' in the other half sentence of the blank space states that the statement should contradict with it. In the given options, (a), (b) and (c) can be easily eliminated if one goes by their meanings which do not suit to the paragraph. Options (d) and (e) look obvious to fit correctly but option (d) can be eliminated as it refers to 'Science' which makes it quite incorrect for this given space. Hence option (e) is the correct statement which adds meaning to the paragraph appropriately.

S31. Ans. (b)

Sol. The given paragraph summarizes the concept of consciousness and its relevance in our perception of looking at different things around us. Read the statement after blank space, "It is the origin of the universe..." the preceding sentence should tally the meaning with it. Among the given options, (a), (c), (d) and (e) do not form the part of this paragraph as none fits into the blank appropriately. They do not add meaning to the paragraph. Hence only option (b) is the correct choice.

S32. Ans. (a)

Sol. Option (a) is not a part of coherent paragraph. Other options tell us about the U.S. intervention in **South China Sea** and their logical sequence is **cebd** while option (a) is not in harmony with the theme of the paragraph.

S33. Ans.(e)

Sol. Option (e) is not a part of coherent paragraph. As other option tells us criteria set by election while option (e) is giving us insight into ECI's claim of majority in these wings. Hence option (e) is true.

S34. Ans. (b)

Sol. Option (b) is not a part of coherent paragraph and the logical sequence of the other sentences is **cdae**, the theme of these sentences is government intervention on capital dumping therefore option (b) is out of the context and is not in agreement to the theme of the passage. Hence option (b) is true.

S35. Ans. (c)

Sol. Option (c) is not a part of coherent paragraph. Other options are telling us about the protests in Romania while Option(c) which is though a part of the same article is of different timeline and thus is irrelevant to the theme of this paragraph. Hence option (c) is true.

S36. Ans. (b)

Sol. E-C makes a combination. Similarly, A-B makes another combination. Also, B should be the concluding sentence. Hence **ECDAB** is the correct sequence to form a meaningful paragraph.

S37. Ans. (e)

Sol. B should be the first sentence. A-D makes a combination. F-E makes another combination. Hence **BCFEAD** is the correct sequence to form a meaningful paragraph.

S38. Ans. (c)

Sol. A should follow C and D should follow A. E-F makes a combination. Hence **CADBEF** is the correct sequence to form a meaningful paragraph.

S39. Ans. (a)

Sol. Replace 'by' with 'at' as "**startled/surprised/astonished/amazed**" etc. are followed by the preposition '**at**' and not by 'by'. e.g. They are amazed at her beauty.

S40. Ans. (d)

Sol. Replace "She had offered" with "She had been offered" because the assignment was offered to 'She', not offered by 'She'. Also, the first part of the sentence is in **Passive Voice**.

e.g. I had offered her...but she turned...down... (**Active Voice**)

She had been offered...but she turned...down... (**Passive Voice**)

S41. Ans. (d)

S42. Ans. (a)

S43. Ans. (c)

S44. Ans. (a)

S45. Ans. (e)

Sol. Plural reflexive pronoun 'themselves' should be used for the plural noun 'farmers'.

S46. Ans. (c)

Sol. If the preposition 'up' were not there, 'establish' would be the right answer. (set up=establish).

S47. Ans. (d)

S48. Ans. (b)

S49. Ans. (e)

Sol. 'shift' and 'switch over' mean the same.

S50. Ans. (b)



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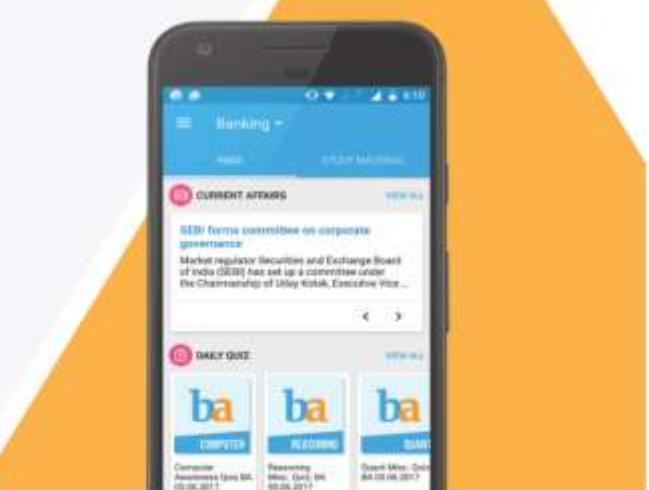
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