

Directions (1-8): A passage has been given below. Few words and sentences have been highlighted to help you answer some of the questions. Read the same carefully and answer the questions that follow:

Ideas and actions rarely get wind together to end decades-old social inequities. Visions can become **virtuies** if they are **accompanied** by a **determination** to create an **equitable** society. Three years ago, Prime Minister Narendra Modi decided to offload the past that was holding back the 1.3 crore citizens of Jammu and Kashmir from realizing their potential. He rolled out the process to build a new and vibrant Union Territory. Jammu and Kashmir, since then, is walking the PM's talk and has travelled quite a distance to re-arrange priorities of development, initiate deep reforms in governance, curb corruption, and realise the dreams of youth. In this Amrit Kaal, we are the new destination, not just for tourists but for businesses as well.

In 2018-19, only 9,229 projects were completed in a year. This has increased to 50,627 in the financial year 2021-22. Rs 1 lakh crore is being spent to improve road connectivity and build tunnels. Social sector spending has increased by 43.83 per cent and the economic sector by 45.60 per cent in the last three years.

More than 200 public services have been made available online to receive real-time feedback from citizens. Providing houses to people in rural areas, developing roads, putting in place primary health facilities and safe drinking water services, creating more avenues for education, employment, and agriculture, attracting private investment and bridging gaps between government delivery mechanisms and people's expectations were some of the tasks we completed by building trust between the administration and the people. Structural and institutional changes like ending the 150-year-old Darbar Move brought in another layer of transparency and improvement in governance. It also saved about Rs 400 crore annual expenditure that used to be incurred in shifting logistics from Srinagar to Jammu and back. It has also prevented the loss of at least one working month every year.

Projects worth Rs 58,477 crore under the Prime Minister's Development Package have picked up pace and direction after impediments and bottlenecks that _____ (a) growth — land acquisition, forest clearances, utility shifting and court cases — were removed. Dreams and aspirations are _____ (b) of the common man in J&K, which has encouraged us to work harder.

1) What big change Prime Minister Narendra Modi made in Jammu and Kashmir that changed the lives of many people?

I). The Modi government has taken a slew of measures for improving the delivery of public services and prudent financial management.

II). The Modi govt changed the status of Jammu and Kashmir as UT.

III). The Modi govt started the new journey of challenges and opportunities for the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

A. Only I

B. Both I and III

C. Only II

D. Both II and III

E. All are correct

Explanation

Answer: C

Refer to the first paragraph- “Three years ago, Prime Minister Narendra Modi decided to offload the past that was holding back the 1.3 crore citizens of Jammu and Kashmir from realizing their potential. He rolled out the process to **build a new and vibrant Union Territory.**” From the above quoted lines we can say that **option C** is the correct answer.

2) Which of the following is not included in the action of Jammu and Kashmir in order to rearrange priorities?

A. Neutralise a well-fed terror ecosystem

B. Many reforms are made in the governing system

C. Corruption had been reduced

D. Both B and C

E. Both B and A

Explanation

Answer: A

Refer to the first paragraph- Jammu and Kashmir, since then, is walking the PM’s talk and has travelled quite a distance to re-arrange priorities of development, initiate deep reforms in governance, curb corruption, and realise the dreams of youth. From the above quoted lines we can say that **option A** is out of the context, hence it is the correct answer.

3) What can you infer from the second paragraph?

I). It shows the importance the Centre has attached to the overall development of Jammu and Kashmir.

II). Jammu and Kashmir can be seen as a land of misconceived ambitions.

III). Jammu and Kashmir is trying to scale up infrastructure.

A. Only I

B. Both I and III

C. Only II

D. Both II and III

E. All are correct

Explanation

Answer: B

If you read the second paragraph meticulously, you will get the theme that we are comparing Jammu and Kashmir from present with its previous years, **I** can be inferred, **II** is absolutely incorrect, **III** can be inferred. Hence **option B** is the correct answer.

4) Which of the following tasks has not been completed in order to build trust between the administration and the people?

A. Decision of private investment was welcomed

B. Education path has been broadened

C. Primary health facilities were provided

D. Raods were developed

E. Houses were provided to the people in urban areas

Explanation

Answer: E

Refer to the third paragraph- "Providing houses to people in rural areas, developing roads, putting in place primary health facilities and safe drinking water services, creating more avenues for education, employment, and agriculture, attracting private investment and bridging gaps between government delivery mechanisms and people's expectations were some of the tasks we completed by building trust between the administration and the people. From the above quoted lines we can say that **option E** is the correct answer.

5) What are the benefits of ending the 150-year-old Darbar Move ?

I). It saved about Rs 400 crore annual expenditure

II). It adopted zero tolerance for corruption.

III). It saved the loss of one working month every year.

A. Only I

B. Both I and III

C. Only II

D. Both II and III

E. All are correct

Explanation

Answer: B

Refer to the third paragraph- "Structural and institutional changes like ending the 150-year-old Darbar Move brought in another layer of transparency and improvement in governance. It also saved about Rs 400 crore annual expenditure that used to be incurred in shifting logistics from Srinagar to Jammu and back. It has also prevented the loss of at least one working month every year. From the above quoted lines we can say that **option B** is the correct answer.

6) Which of the following words aptly fit in the blank given in the passage?

A. facilitated

B. unclogged

C. aided

D. hindered

E. None of these

Explanation

Answer: D

Out of the given words we need to find a word having negative meaning so only "**hindered**" fits aptly in the blank as it means "make it difficult for (someone) to do something or for (something) to happen." Remaining words are its antonym, hence **option D** is the correct answer.

7) Fill the blank (b) given in the passage.

- I). back in the laxity
- II). returned to the glossary
- III). back in the lexicon

- A.Only I
- B.Both I and III
- C.Only II
- D.Both II and III
- E.All are correct

Explanation

Answer: D

Both **II. returned to the glossary** and **III. back in the lexicon** can aptly fill in the given blank.

Lexicon means “the vocabulary of a person, language, or branch of knowledge” in simple words we can say that dictionary, glossary, wordbook etc.

Laxity is contextually incorrect as it means lack of strictness or care.

Hence **option D** is the correct answer.

8) Which of the following words is wrongly spelt?

Visions can become **virtuies** if they are **accompanied** by a **determination** to create an **equitable** society.

- A.virtuies
- B.accompanied
- C.determination
- D.equitable
- E.All are correct

Explanation

Answer: A

Spelling of “**virtuies**” is incorrect, the correct spelling is “**virtues**” which means “**conformity to a standard of right** : morality”. Remaining words are correctly spelt.

Hence **option A** is the correct answer.

Direction (9-13): In the following questions, four words are highlighted which may or may not be in their proper place. You are required to interchange them in order to make it both grammatically and contextually correct. In case the sentence is correct, select 'No replacement required'.

9) The **abandoned (A)** employees were taken by the **miscreants (B)** in an operational vehicle belonging to ONGC. Later, the vehicle was found **abducted (C)** near the Nimonagarh jungles close to the Assam-Nagaland **border (D)**.

A.A-D

B.A-C

C.B-D

D.A-B

E.No replacement required

Explanation

Answer: B

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10) Struggling to track close to 45,000 active Covid-19 patients in home isolation, the PMC has **introduced (A)** a mobile application for the **purpose (B)**. The civic body is **planning (C)** to make it mandatory for patients to download the app, so that they get hospital **admission (D)** on a priority basis when required.

A.A-C

B.B-D

C.A-D

D.B-C

E.No replacement required

Explanation

Answer: E

Struggling to track close to 45,000 active Covid-19 patients in home isolation, the PMC has **introduced** a mobile application for the **purpose** .The civic body is **planning** to make it mandatory for

patients to download the app, so that they get hospital **admission** on a priority basis when required.

11) The PMC has received **complaints (A)** that some patients in home isolation are **violating (B)** safety protocols and moving around in public. The officer said this was happening despite the civic administration **putting (C)** stamps on their wrists and putting **stickers (D)** on the entry to their homes.

A.A-D and B-C

B.A-B and C-D

C.A-C and B-D

D.Only B-C

E.No replacement required

Explanation

Answer: E

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12) As COVID-19 cases continued to rise, **Following (A)** another high of 12,206 cases on Tuesday, and the Gujarat government opened all hospitals and **treating (B)** homes for **nursing (C)** Covid-19 patients across the state. **Hitting (D)** a core-committee meeting, the state government announced military hospitals would also be roped in to fight against the pandemic.

A.A-B and C-D

B.B-D and A-C

C.A-D and B-C

D.Only A-D

E.No replacement required

Explanation

Answer: C

As COVID-19 cases continued to rise, **hitting** another high of 12,206 cases on Tuesday, and the Gujarat government opened all hospitals and **nursing** homes for **treating** Covid-19 patients across the

state. **Following** a core-committee meeting, the state government announced military hospitals would also be roped in to fight against the pandemic.

13) The **disengage (A)** for the U.S. is that it cannot **conundrum (B)** from Afghanistan, if that is its **priority (C)**, without accepting Pakistan's **terms (D)**.

A.A-C

B.B-D

C.C-D

D.A-B

E.No interchange required

Explanation

Answer: D

Here, A-B will replace each other in order to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.

The correct sentence will be,

The **conundrum** for the U.S. is that it cannot **disengage** from Afghanistan, if that is its **priority**, without accepting Pakistan's **terms**.

Conundrum: a confusing and difficult problem or question.

Direction (14-16): In the following question, two statements and five connectors are given. Only one of the connectors from those given can be used to combine the given two statements into one sentence without changing the meaning. Choose that connector as your answer.

14) I. In the case of a prism some caution is necessary.

II. The standards used are very close together.

A.Since

B.Unless

C.In addition to

D.Of course

E.Except

Explanation

Answer: B

Here, the first statement is regarding the caution in the case of a prism but the second statement gives a condition in which there is a possibility that the caution is not that much necessary if the standards used are very close together. Among the given options, unless may be used to connect the two statements since it can give the condition imposed on something taking place. Since is used to imply the cause-effect relationship whereas in addition to is used to imply that something more may have to be said. Other two connectors are also not correct according to the given context.

The complete sentence would be: In the case of a prism some caution is necessary unless the standards used are very close together. This makes option B the correct choice among the given options.

15) I. His favorite occupation when not playing boston, a card game he was very fond of, was that of listener.

II. when he succeeded in setting two loquacious talkers at one another.

A.Especially

B.Although

C.Whether

D.Nevertheless

E.None of the above

Explanation

Answer:A

The two statements can be connected in the way that the second statement is elaborating on the information already provided in the first statement. The person's favorite occupation is that of a listener and then we get to know that he succeeded in setting two loquacious talkers at one another. Among the given options, we may use especially in order to connect the two statements because it also elaborates on the information already available with us.

The connected statement would be: His favorite occupation when not playing Boston, a card game he was very fond of, was that of listener, especially when he succeeded in setting two loquacious talkers at one another.

Other connectors will not fit in the given context. This makes option A the correct choice among the given options.

16) I. He doubted Katie would be anything like a demon mother.
II. He could see the both of them ending up as his father and mother did: dead-dead before their child was six.

A. Yet

B. If

C. As

D. On account of

E. Owing to

Explanation

Answer:A

The first statement is regarding something that has already been said but still somebody did it, as is explained in the second statement. Among the given options, yet is the correct choice since it is used to imply that despite something whereas if is mainly used in a conditional clause. All the other three connectors given are used to indicate some cause and effect relationship. Hence they can be eliminated as the given statements do not share the cause and effect relationship.

The connected statement would be: He doubted Katie would be anything like a demon mother, and yet, he could see the both of them ending up as his father and mother did: dead-dead before their child was six..

This makes option A the correct choice among the given options.

Directions (17-20): In the following questions, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate one as the answer. If the sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'.

17) Reliance India's biggest retailer will acquire dozens of **(P)**/small grocery and non-food brands targeting **(Q)**/to build it's own \$6.5 billion consumer goods business for challenge **(R)**/ foreign giants like Unilever, according to the sources. **(S)**/ **No Error.**

A. P

B. Q

C. R

D. S

E. No error

Explanation

Answer: C

Given that "it's" is the short form of "it is" which is incorrect for the sentence & this should be replaced by "its". Moreover "for" is followed by the "ing" form of the verb, which is not given here. Thus "for" is both contextually and grammatically incorrect for the sentence. "For" will be replaced by "to".

The correct sentence is:

Reliance India's biggest retailer will acquire dozens of small grocery and non-food brands targeting to build **its** own \$6.5 billion consumer goods business **to** challenge foreign giants like Unilever, according to the sources.

18) With the world going digital, especially **(P)**/ after the Covid-19 pandemic, the **(Q)**/ United Payments Interface (UPI) has turned out to be one of the **(R)**/ leading method of payment in India. **(S)**/ No error.

A.P

B.Q

C.R

D.S

E.No Error

Explanation

Answer: D

As we know that "One of" is followed by plural noun; so, the word "method" will be replaced by "methods" to make the sentence grammatically correct.

The correct sentence is:

With the world going digital, especially after the Covid-19 pandemic, the United Payments Interface (UPI) has turned out to be one of the leading **methods** of payment in India.

19) The spokesperson pointed out that External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar has **(M)**/ already told the Chinese side that frictions **(N)**/and tensions arising from the **(O)**/deployments under China could not be reconciled. **(P)**/No error.

A.M

B.N

C.O

D.P

E.No Error

Explanation

Answer: D

Here the use of the preposition "under" is correct. As we can infer from the line that tension arises due to deployments from China, the preposition "under" will be replaced with "by", to make the sentence correct.

The correct sentence is:

The spokesperson pointed out that External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar has already told the Chinese side that frictions and tensions arising from the deployments **by** China could not be reconciled.

20) The World Bank has announced actions it plans **(P)/** to take as part of a comprehensive, global response **(Q)/** to the ongoing food security crisis, with up to \$30 billion in**(R)/** financing under existing and new projects. **(S)/**No Error.

A.P

B.Q

C.R

D.S

E.No Error

Explanation

Answer: D

The world bank wants to invest in new projects, so the use of the preposition "under" is incorrect. It will be replaced by the preposition "in", i.e., "financing in new projects."

The correct sentence is:

The World Bank has announced actions it plans to take as part of a comprehensive, global response to the ongoing food security crisis, with up to \$30 billion in financing **in** existing and new projects.

Directions (21-25): Five sentences that are a part of a single paragraph have been given below. These sentences have not been arranged in a coherent order. You are required to read the same

carefully and answer the questions that follow after the sequencing the sentences

A. The drive was soon expanded to include senior citizens, people with comorbidities, and, finally, everyone aged 18 and above.

B. India has delivered 1154.173 lakh doses of COVID-19 vaccines to 97 countries till December 31, according to the Ministry of External Affairs.

C. As part of its Vaccine Maitri initiative that was started on January 16 to provide COVID-19 vaccines to countries around the world, the Government of India supplied 1154.173 lakh doses as grants, commercial dispatch and under COVAX facility.

D. India has emerged as a 'saviour' by providing medicines globally across the continent, amply describing the epithet - the pharmacy of the world, even as the world is still reeling under the Wuhan virus.

E. India on January 16 will mark the first anniversary of the nationwide COVID-19 vaccination drive which started on January 16, 2021, with health care and frontline workers first in line to receive shots.

21) Which of the following will be the *second* statement after rearrangement?

A.E

B.C

C.D

D.B

E.None of these

Explanation

Answer: D

Statement D is the best sentence to start the paragraph as it introduces the idea of the topic that is being discussed by mentioning India has become the pharmacy of the world.

B continues the idea by mentioning the statistics about the number of vaccines that have been delivered till 31st December. Also, as B talks about December, it would come before the other sentences (C and E) which talk about January.

We can see that B and E must come together as E discusses the drive that was started in 2021. And then A carries the discussion further. So, BEA becomes a logical order.

The correct sequence keeping in view all of the above is DBEAC.

22) The *first* statement that would introduce the paragraph after rearrangement is?

A.A

B.D

C.B

D.E

E.C

Explanation

Answer: B

Statement **D** is the best sentence to start the paragraph as it introduces the idea of the topic that is being discussed by mentioning India has become the pharmacy of the world.

Therefore, option (b) is the best answer.

23) Which of the two sentences form a consecutive pair after rearrangement?

A.AB

B.BE

C.ED

D.AD

E.EC

Explanation

Answer: B

Statement D is the best sentence to start the paragraph as it introduces the idea of the topic that is being discussed by mentioning India has become the pharmacy of the world.

B continues the idea by mentioning the statistics about the number of vaccines that have been delivered till 31st December. Also, as B talks about December, it would come before the other sentences (C and E) which talk about January.

We can see that B and E must come together as E discusses the drive that was started in 2021. And then A carries the discussion further. So, BEA becomes a logical order.

The correct sequence keeping in view all of the above is **DBEAC**.

24) Which of the following will be the best concluding statement after rearrangement?

A.A

B.D

C.C

D.E

E.B

Explanation

Answer: C

Statement D is the best sentence to start the paragraph as it introduces the idea of the topic that is being discussed by mentioning India has become the pharmacy of the world.

B continues the idea by mentioning the statistics about the number of vaccines that have been delivered till 31st December. Also, as B talks about December, it would come before the other sentences (C and E) which talk about January.

We can see that B and E must come together as E discusses the drive that was started in 2021. And then A carries the discussion further. So, BEA becomes a logical order.

The correct sequence keeping in view all of the above is **DBEAC**.

25) The third sentence after rearrangement would be?

A.A

B.D

C.E

D.C

E.B

Explanation

Answer: C

Statement D is the best sentence to start the paragraph as it introduces the idea of the topic that is being discussed by mentioning India has become the pharmacy of the world.

B continues the idea by mentioning the statistics about the number of vaccines that have been delivered till 31st December. Also, as B talks about December, it would come before the other sentences (C and E) which talk about January.

We can see that B and E must come together as E discusses the drive that was started in 2021. And then A carries the discussion further. So, BEA becomes a logical order.

The correct sequence keeping in view all of the above is DBEAC.

Directions (26-30): In the following sentences, a sentence is given with some highlighted part, followed by some options. You need to identify whether the highlighted part of the sentence is contextually and grammatically correct. If no correction is required, mark (E) as your answer

26) To use these letters, a member did not have to **pass in examination** or achieve anything in the disciplines of science or art

a). Pass in the examination

b). Pass the examination

c). Pass an examination

A.Both (a) and (b)

B.Both (b) and (c)

C.Both (a) and (c)

D.Only (a)

E.No replacement required

Explanation

Answer: B

‘Pass’ is not followed by preposition ‘in’, we directly use an article with it. So, ‘pass in the examination’ is incorrect. Either write ‘pass the examination’ or ‘pass an examination’

27) A great selection of wine is sold by the glass and bottle to **accompany with** any meal.

a). Accompany

b). Accompany to

c). Accompany by

A.Only (a)

- B.**Only (b)
- C.**Only (c)
- D.**Both (a) and (c)
- E.**No replacement required

Explanation

Answer: A

'Accompany' will not be followed by any preposition. So, 'accompany with', 'accompany to', 'accompany by' are all incorrect. We must directly use 'accompany any meal'

'Accompany' – keep someone's company

28) There again, it's hard to say whether they **die of** natural causes or attacks by predators.

- a).** Die with
 - b).** Die from
 - c).** Die by
- A.**Only (a)
 - B.**Only (b)
 - C.**Only (c)
 - D.**Both (a) and (c)
 - E.**No replacement required

Explanation

Answer: B

Prepositions used with 'die'

Die for – (a cause)

Die from – (reason like thirst/ natural cause)

Die of – (a disease)

So, option (b) – 'die from' is the only correct option. All other propositions used with 'die' are incorrect.

29) More importantly, thank you for giving me the opportunity to prove myself **worthy** you daughter.

- a).** Worthy to

- b).** Worthy for
- c).** Worthy of
- A.**Only (a)
- B.**Only (b)
- C.**Only (c)
- D.**Both (a) and (b)
- E.**No replacement required

Explanation

Answer: C

'Worthy' is followed by the preposition 'of'. So, 'worthy to' and 'worthy for' are incorrect options.

30) The mayor's political future has been **hanging with a thread** since the fraud scandal

- a).** Hanging by a thread
- b).** Hanging of a thread
- c).** Hanging off a thread
- A.**Only (a)
- B.**Only (b)
- C.**Only (c)
- D.**Both (b) and (c)
- E.**No replacement required

Explanation

Answer: A

The right Phrase – 'hanging by a thread', which means – be in a risky situation.

So, all other options, except (a) are incorrect, because of the wrong usage of the preposition.

Directions (31-33): In each of the questions given below three words have been highlighted which may or may not be in their correct place, you are required to rearrange these words in order to form a meaningful sentence.

31) The Twitter accounts of Indian Council of World Affairs, Indian Medical Association and Mann Deshi Mahila Bank were **alleged (a)** as the **compromised (b)** hackers renamed the **handle (c)** as 'Elon Musk'.

A.bca

B.acb

C.cba

D.bac

E.No rearrangement required

Explanation

Answer: D

The words "**alleged**" and "**compromised**" are not in their correct positions and fail to impart any meaning to the sentence, so we need to interchange them in order to form a meaningful sentence.

So the rearrangement of words will be- **bac**

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

32) A police **probe (a)** into the **scuffle (b)** at the Vaishno Devi shrine will go on along with the investigation of a high-powered committee, and action will be taken against those involved in the **stampede(c)** that led to the incident.

A.bca

B.acb

C.cba

D.bac

E.No rearrangement required

Explanation

Answer: B

The words "**stampede**" and "**scuffle**" are not in their correct positions and fail to impart any meaning to the sentence, so we need to interchange them in order to form a meaningful sentence.

Stampede- a sudden panicked rush of a number of horses, cattle, or other animals.

Scuffle- fight/move in a hurried, confused, or awkward way, making a rustling or shuffling sound.

So the rearrangement of words will be- **acb**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

33) Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday blamed previous governments for India's Olympics medal **indifference (a)** in hockey, saying the country had to wait for it for **decades (b)** due to **drought (c)** towards the sport.

A.bca

B.acb

C.cba

D.bac

E.No rearrangement required

Explanation

Answer: C

The words "**indifference**" and "**drought**" are not in their correct positions and fail to impart any meaning to the sentence, so we need to interchange them in order to form a meaningful sentence.

So the rearrangement of words will be- **cba**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

Direction (34-37): There are blanks in each sentence given below. You have to choose the best option that fits the blank to complete the sentence.

34) The welfare regime instituted by the 'double engine' government of U.P. seeks to change all that by downgrading, if not _____, the role of caste networks in accessing most welfare benefits.

A.Improving

B.Eliminating

C.Uplifting

D.Commemorating

E.Commending

Explanation

Answer: B

The sentence talks about 'eliminating' the caste angle from the UP politics and the tone is that, if you cannot eliminate, at least reduce the same. So, (a), (c) and (d) go opposite to the context and can be ruled out.

Improving and **uplifting** are similar words so these can be ruled out. **Commemorating** means to recall and show respect for (someone or something). **Commending** means praising.

The correct answer is option (b).

35) At present, the U.P. government is directly passing money to the accounts of people on 36 schemes _____ direct bank transfer.

- A. With
- B. Along
- C. Through
- D. From
- E. Against

Explanation

Answer: C

As the government is transferring money via; or with the help of direct transfers, so the correct preposition here would be 'through.'

The correct answer thus, is option (c).

36) Even in tangible asset creation, such as houses and toilets, the Government's role is limited to transferring money into the account of _____.

- A. Beneficiaries
- B. Takers
- C. Registers
- D. Claimant
- E. Parties

Explanation

Answer: A

For such sentences in which government schemes are discussed generally, the common word that is used is '**beneficiaries**' which means the people who are to benefit from such schemes etc.

Claimants are people who have to recover their claims from the policies etc. So, beneficiaries would be a better word.

Thus, the correct answer is option (a).

37) The political identity that the BJP seeks to _____ among these voters is still a Hindu political identity.

- A.Outcast
- B.Measure
- C.Nurture
- D.None of the above
- E.Debase

Explanation

Answer: C

Options (b) and (c) are vague and irrelevant. Out of (a) and (c), (a) fits better grammatically as well as contextually as beneficiary means a person who derives advantage from something. The word debase means reduce (something) in quality or value; degrade.

Thus, the correct answer is option (c).

Directions (38-40): In each of the following questions two columns are given having three sentences each. Match the sentences from the first column to the second to form grammatically and contextually correct sentences.

38)

Column 1	Column 2
A) A few months earlier, it was yet another Indian teenager	D) for better facilities and resources
B) Gandhi had a vision of a country not divided into	E) Arjun Erigaisi, who was hitting the headlines.
C) The increased risk and cost to such projects and infrastructure	F) fragments by religious and communal walls.

- A.C-D
- B.C-F, A-D
- C.A-E, B-F

D.A-E only

E.None of these

Explanation

Answer: C

If we start checking from the first option, we can see that sentence part "C" does not form a match with any other sentence. Thus we can omit options which have sentence part "C", i.e., we can omit options (a) & (b), and check the rest for answers.

A-E: A few months earlier, it was yet another Indian teenager, Arjun Erigaisi, who was hitting the headlines.

B-F: Gandhi had a vision of a country not divided into fragments by religious and communal walls.

39)

Column 1	Column 2
A) It should be factored in when they are tendered out by	D) morale-booster for the Chennai lad.
B) India had won its independence after a long, remarkably	E) their lifetime, and don't want to wait forever
C) The great show at Miami should no doubt be a huge	F) peaceful struggle for freedom, led by Mahatma Gandhi.

A.A-E

B.C-D, B-F

C.A-F, C-E

D.C-F

E.None of these

Explanation

Answer: B

Hint: if we check sentence part (A) we can see that it does not form any match with any other sentence, so the options have sentence parts (A), i.e., (a) & (c) will be omitted. We have to check only options (b) & (d).

C-D: The great show at Miami should no doubt be a huge morale-booster for the Chennai lad.

B-F: India had won its independence after a long, remarkably peaceful struggle for freedom, led by Mahatma Gandhi.

40)

Column 1	Column 2
A) There were 6,996 orphaned, abandoned and surrendered children residing in childcare institutions considered	D) to make shortly are the conversion of all these laws into four codes.
B) The proposed national reforms the Government is gearing up	E) aspirational youth and how they always want to go for more during
C) The government, and scientific advice regarding development ought to	F) adoptable, but only 2,430 were declared legally free for adoption

A.A-F, B-D

B.C-E

C.C-D, A-E

D.B-D only

E.None of these

Explanation

Answer: A

Hint: If we check a similar option first, we can see that sentence part "C" do not form a match with any other sentence, i.e., option (b)& (c) will be omitted, we have to check only option (a) & (d), for the correct answer.

A-F: There were 6,996 orphaned, abandoned and surrendered children residing in childcare institutions considered adoptable, but only 2,430 were declared legally free for adoption

B-D: The proposed national reforms the Government is gearing up to make shortly are the conversion of all these laws into four codes.