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MODEL PAPER

DIRECTIONS: For each of the question from 1 to 3, choose the Word or Phrase that is similar in meaning to the numbered word.

1. HECTIC

- (a) Organised
- (b) Clumsy
- (c) Frantic
- (d) Thrilling

2. DETER

- (a) Distract
- (b) Suppress
- (c) Discourage
- (d) Contaminate

3. JETTISON

- (a) Control
- (b) Emit
- (c) Stir
- (d) Discard

DIRECTION : For each of the question from 4 to 5, choose the Word or Phrase that opposite in meaning to the numbered word.

4. ABOMINATE

- (a) Loathe
- (b) Despise
- (c) Adore
- (d) Abhor

5. INVECTIVE

- (a) Normality
- (b) Restoration

(c) Fertility

(d) Praise

DIRECTIONS : Fill in the blanks in the given sentence so as to make it logically and grammatically correct by choosing the correct word from the choices given, in questions 6 & 7.

6. _____ about nine months ago, John was in excellent health.

(a) Until

(b) In

(c) At

(d) As

7. Mental talents if buried and not used, _____ to deteriorate.

(a) lead

(b) get

(c) tend

(d) matter

DIRECTION : Each question 8 & 9 below gives a sentence followed by four answer choices. From the choices provided, identify the one that best restates the given sentence and mark its choice as your answer.

8. It might be truly said of him that he never sought honour.

(a) It is true that he never sought honour.

(b) The truth of him is that he never sought honour.

(c) Honour was not truly sought by him.

(d) He never truly sought honour.

9. I am afraid I did not make myself understood.

(a) I am afraid of not making myself understood.

(b) I am afraid I have not made myself understood.

(c) I am afraid I did not make myself understood.

(d) I am afraid of not having made myself understood.

DIRECTION : A word and four jumbled choices are given in questions 10 & 11. One of the choices, when properly arranged gives the word. Identify the correct choice.

10. DEFEAT

- (a) UQAVNHSI
- (b) CETAH
- (c) COTUH
- (d) TACSRCH

11. FANTASTIC

- (a) TIAIRLSIC
- (b) BDCINREILE
- (c) ALCER
- (d) YNIMIAGAR

Directions: Sentences given in each question, when properly sequenced, from a paragraph. The first and last sentences are 1 and 6, and the four in between are labelled A, B, C and D. Choose the most logical order of these four sentences from among the four given choices to construct a coherent paragraph from sentences 1 to 6.

12. 1. Security inks exploit the same principle that causes the vivid and consutantly changing colours of a film of oil on water.

A. When two rays of light meet each other after being reflected from these different surfaces, they have each travelled slightly different distances.

B. The key is that the light is bouncing off two surfaces, that of the oil and that of the water layer below it.

C. The distance the two rays travel determines which wavelnghts, and hence colours, interfere constructively and look bright.

D. Because light is an electromagnatic wave, the pecks and troughs of each ray then interfere either constructively, to appear bright, or destructively, to appear dim.

6. Since the distance the rays travel changes with the angle as you look at the surface, different colours look bright from different viewing angles.

- (1) ABCD
- (2) BADC
- (3) BDAC

(4) DCAB

13. 1. Commercially reared chicken can be unusually aggressive, and are often kept in darkened sheds to prevent them pecking at each other.

A. The birds spent for more of their time-up to a third-pecking at the inanimate objects in the pens, in contrast to birds in other pens which spent a lot of time attacking others.

B. In low light conditions, they behave less belligerently, but are more prone to opthalmic disorders and respiratory problems.

C. In an experiment, aggressive head-pecking was all but eliminated among birds in the enriched environment.

D. Altering the bird's environment, by adding bales of wood-shavings to their pens, can work wonders.

6. Bales could diminish aggressiveness and reduce injuries; they might even improve productivity, since a happy chicken is a productivity, since a happy chicken is a productive chicken.

(1) DCAB

(2) CDBA

(3) DBAC

(4) BDCA

14. 1. The concept of a 'nation-state' assumes a complete correspondence between the boundaries of the nation and the boundaries of those who live in a specific state.

A. Then there are members of national collectivities who live in other countries, making a mockery of the concept.

B. There are always people living in particular states who are not considered to be (and often do not consider themselves to be) members of the hegemonic nation.

C. Even worse, there are nations which never had a state or which are divided across several states.

D. This, of course, has been subject to severe criticism and is virtually everywhere a fiction.

6. However, the fiction has been, and continues to be, at the basis of nationalist ideologies.

(1) DBAC

(2) ABCD

(3) BACD

(4) DACB

15. 1. In the sciences, even questionable examples of research fraud are harshly punished.

A. But no such mechanism exists in the humanities-much of what humanities researchers call, research does not lead to results that are replicable by other scholars.

B. Given the importance of interpretation in historical and literary scholarship, humanities researchers are in a position where they can explain away deliberate and even systematic distortion.

C. Mere suspicion is enough for funding to be cut off, publicity guarantees that careers can be effectively ended.

D. Forgeries which take the form of pastiches in which the forger intersperses fake and real parts can be defended as mere mistakes or aberrant misreading.

6. Scientists fudging data have no such defences.

(1) BDCA

(2) ABDC

(3) CABD

(4) CDBA

16. 1. Horses and communism were, on the whole, a poor match.

A. Fine horses bespoke the nobility the party was supposed to dispise.

B. Communist leaders, when they visited villages, preferred to see cows and pigs.

C. Although a working horse was just about tolerable, the communists were right to be wary.

D. Peasants from Poland to the Hungarian Pustza preferred their horses to party dogma.

E. 'A farmer's pride is his horse; his cow may be thin but his horse must be fat, ' went a Slovak saying.

(1) ACDB

(2) DBCA

(3) ABCD

(4) DCBA

DIRECTIONS: In each of the following sentences, parts of the sentences are left blank. Beneath each sentence, four different ways of completing the sentence are indicated. Choose the best alternative from among the four.

17. Though one eye is kept firmly on the, the company now also promotes contemporary art.

- (1) present, experimental
- (2) future, popular
- (3) present, popular
- (4) market, popular

18. The law prohibits a person from felling a sandalwood tree, even if it grows on one's own land, without prior permission from the government. As poor people cannot deal with the government, this legal provision leads to a rip-roaring business for, who care neither for the, nor for the trees.

- (1) middlemen, rich
- (2) the government, poor
- (3) touts, rich
- (4) touts, poor

19. it will take some time for many South Koreans tothe conflicting images of North Korea, let alone to what to make of their northern cousins.

- (1) reconcile, decide
- (2) understand, clarify
- (3) make out, decide
- (4) reconcile, understand

20. In these bleak and depressing times of prices, non-performing governments and crime rates, Sourav Ganguly has given us, Indians, a lot to cheer about.

- (1) escalating, increasing
- (2) spiralling, booming
- (3) spiralling, soaring
- (4) ascending, debilitating

21. The manners and of the nouveau riche is a recurrent in the literature.

- (1) style, motif
- (2) morals, story
- (3) wealth, theme

(4) morals, theme