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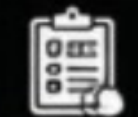
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1. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

At sixes and sevens

- (a) In a state of confusion or disorder**
- (b) Perfectly planned and arranged**
- (c) Extremely cautious**
- (d) Proud and arrogant**

2. Select the correct spelling of a word meaning 'a person who loves mankind'.

(a) Philanthropist

(b) Philantropist

(c) Phylanthropist

(d) Phylantropist

3. Choose the correct spelling of a word meaning 'personal peculiarity or habit'.

(a) Idiosyncracy

(b) Idiosyncrasy

(c) Idiosyncresy

(d) Idiosyncrosy

4. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words:

" 'The study of handwriting to analyse personality.'

(a) Graphology

(b) Typography

(c) Calligraphy

(d) Orthography

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printed words.

handwriting.

spelling

5. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words:

'A speech made without any preparation.'

(a) Oration = formal speech ✓

(b) Extempore =

(c) Soliloquy

(d) Monologue

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Cloze Test: Direction:- [Q.6. to Q.10.]

The modern conception of identity is often predicated on a notion of an authentic, stable self-a core essence that can be discovered. However, this perspective is increasingly challenged by post-structuralist thought, which posits that identity is not a pre-existing entity but a continuous (6) _____. According to this view, the "self" is not found but is actively constructed through language, social interactions, and cultural narratives. We are constantly being shaped by the discourses that surround us, which provide the templates and categories through which we understand our own existence. Consequently, identity is inherently (7) ____; it is fluid, fragmented, and often contradictory, rather than unified and coherent. This does not imply that we lack agency, but that our agency operates within a pre-existing symbolic framework that we did not create. The attempt to (8) _____ a single, fixed identity is thus seen as a futile and even oppressive endeavor, one that ignores the multiplicity of our subject positions. To truly understand the self is to embrace its (9) _____ and to recognize that who we are is perpetually in a state of becoming, a dynamic intersection of forces rather than a static point of origin. This understanding (10) _____ the very goal of self-discovery from finding an answer to engaging in a lifelong question.

6.

- (a) performance
(c) discovery

- (b) inheritance
(d) certainty

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7.

- (a) immutable
- (c) precarious

- (b) collective
- (d) universal

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8.

- (a) deconstruct
- (c) negotiate

- (b) articulate
- (d) reify

To treat an abstract
concept

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9.

(a) simplicity

(b) potential

(c) contingency

(d) finality

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10.

(a) resolves

(c) invalidates

(b) complicates

(d) reorients

11. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

This movie is not so interesting as the book it was based on.

- (a) more
- (b) that
- (c) so
- (d) much

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$As \rightarrow As = +ve$
 $so \rightarrow As = -ve$

12. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

Not until the auditors had submitted their exhaustive report did the full extent of procedural lapses become evident.

- (a) did
- (b) had
- (c) was
- (d) has

Did ✓

✓ 13. The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them contains an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options.

The new decorative pillows (1)/ perfectly compliment the colors (2)/ of the sofa and the curtains, (3)/ tying the whole room together. (4)

(a) (1)

✓ (b) (2)

(c) (3)

(d) (4)

14. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in the Active/Passive voice.

✓
A :-

The teacher made the students complete the assignment on time.

(a) The students were made to complete the assignment on time.

(b) The assignment was completed by the students on time.

(c) The students completed the assignment on time.

(d) The teacher was making the students complete the assignment.

15. Select the option which contains the most appropriate **HOMONYM** of the word given in bold/underline.

The eyepiece of the microscope had a precisely etched **reticule** for measuring specimens.

- (a) The antique dealer specialized in Victorian handbags, including a beautiful beaded reticule.
- (b) She peered through the sniper's scope, aligning the target with the crosshairs of the reticule.
- (c) Before the invention of the laser sight, artillery relied on a telescopic reticule for aiming.
- (d) The surveyor's theodolite featured an advanced digital reticule for accurate readings.



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✓ 16. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in the Active/Passive voice. ✓

The novel had been translated into several languages by the author. ✓

- (a) The author translates the novel into several languages.
- (b) The author had translated the novel into several languages.
- ✓ (c) The novel was translated into several languages by the author.
- (d) The author will translate the novel into several languages.

17. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underline/Bold segment in the given sentence.

I asked the children where have they been.

(a) where they have been

(b) where had they been

(c) where they had been

(d) where have they been

Wh + Sub + had been

V. 9m9

✓ 18. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underline/Bold segment in the given sentence.

The manager demanded that the report is submitted by Friday.

- (a) has submitted
- (b) will be submitted
- ✓ (c) be submitted
- (d) to be submitted

19. Select the correct indirect/direct form of the given sentence.

The teacher explained that the experiment had failed due to insufficient materials.

- (a) "The experiment fails due to insufficient materials," explained the teacher.
- (b) "The experiment had failed due to insufficient materials," explained the teacher.
- (c) The teacher said, "The experiment will fail due to insufficient materials."
- (d) The teacher said, "The experiment has failed due to insufficient materials."

20. Select the correct indirect/direct form of the given sentence.

He asked, "Will you be attending the seminar next week?"

- (a) He asked if I will attend the seminar next week.
- (b) He asked whether I would be attending the seminar the following week.
- (c) He asked if you would attend the seminar next week?"
- (d) He asked if I would be attending the seminar next week.

21. Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph.

1. Conversely, if supply exceeds demand, prices tend to fall as sellers compete for buyers.
2. This principle states that the price for a good will settle where the quantity demanded equals the quantity supplied.
3. The law of supply and demand is a foundational concept in economics that describes the relationship between sellers and buyers.
4. For example, if the demand for a product is high and the supply is low, its price will typically rise.

(a) 1, 4, 2, 3

(b) 3, 4, 1, 2

(c) 2, 1, 4, 3

(d) 3, 2, 4, 1

22. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word:

UBIQUITOUS

- (a) Rare
- (b) Scarce
- (c) Pervasive
- (d) Limited

23. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

PROPINQUITY

(a) Vicinity

(b) Remoteness

(c) Affinity

(d) Contiguity

24. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

Mad as a March hare //

- (a) Extremely busy or hard-working**
- (b) Completely insane or unpredictable**
- (c) Very shy and quiet**
- (d) Excited but disciplined**

25. Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph.

- 1. Such a diet provides the body with essential nutrients for growth and maintenance.**
- 2. It involves consuming a variety of foods in the right proportions.**
- 3. Maintaining a balanced diet is crucial for overall health.**
- 4. This helps in preventing malnutrition and chronic health problems.**

(a) 3 - 2 - 1 - 4

(b) 1 - 3 - 2 - 4

(c) 3 - 4 - 1 - 2

(d) 2 - 1 - 4 - 3

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