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1. 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. These large predatory fish are known for their speed and sharp teeth, making them apex predators in their marine habitats.

2. Sharks are a fascinating group of cartilaginous fish found in oceans all over the world.

3. Their skeletons are made of cartilage rather than bone, a feature that distinguishes them from most other fish.

4. From the massive whale shark, the largest fish in the world, to the small dwarf lanternshark, their diversity is remarkable.

(a) ~~2, 4, 3, 1~~

(b) ~~4, 3, 2, 1~~

(c) ~~3, 2, 1, 4~~

(d) 2, 1, 4, 3

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

Beat around the bush

- (a) To speak directly about something
- (b) To avoid talking about the main point
- (c) To damage something carelessly
- (d) To take unnecessary risks

3. Select the INCORRECTLY spelt word.

(a) Accommodate

(b) Occurrence

~~(c) Supercede~~

(d) Millennium

Supersede
Replace

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

The reports are being reviewed by the committee before publication.

(a) The committee reviews the reports before publication.

(b) The committee is reviewing the reports before publication.

(c) The reports were reviewed by the committee before publication.

(d) The committee has reviewed the reports before publication.

5. Spot the correct spelling of the rare mineral used in making heat-resistant glass.

(a) ~~Borosillicate~~

☒ (b) Borosilicate

(c) ~~Borosyllicite~~

(d) ~~Borosillicatte~~

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

'A person who talks too much about trivial matters.'

(a) Loquacious

(b) Taciturn

(c) Reticent

(d) Pithy

Garrulous

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

The committee reviewed all the proposals, none of _____ met the required criteria.

(a) who

(b) which

(c) them

(d) those

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

Hardly _____ the team ^{M.V} completed the report when the boss called them for a presentation.

~~(a) did~~

~~(b) have~~

(c) had

~~(d) was~~

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

SAGACIOUS

(a) Foolish

(b) Wise

(c) Immature

(d) Careless

→ Astute
Prudent
Shrewd
Scholar

10. The following sentences have been divided into parts. One of them contains an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options.

The principal emphasized that it was not only a lack of funding for extracurricular activities (1)/ that disheartened students, but the inconsistent support from parents and faculty (2)/ which, despite being crucial for success, (3) ~~contribute~~ to a decline in overall participation rates. (4)

(a) (1)

(b) (2)

(c) (3)

~~(d) (4)~~

contributed

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

The research team had been analyzing the collected data for weeks before publishing the report .

~~(a) The collected data had been being analyzed by the research team for weeks before the report was published.~~

~~(b) The collected data had be analyzed by the research team for weeks before publishing the report.~~

~~(c) The collected data had analyzed by the research team for weeks before the report was publishing.~~

~~(d) The collected data had been analyzed by the research team for weeks before publishing the report.~~

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

The archbishop delivered his sermon beneath the grand **see** of Canterbury.

(a) The sailor strained his eyes to **see** through the fog.

(b) The pilgrims gathered at the ancient **see** for prayer.

(c) The cathedral's **see** was decorated with intricate mosaics.

(d) The bishop's **see** encompassed several parishes.

→ seat
jurisdiction

→ seat
jurisdiction

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

Ravi said to me, "Please help me with this task."

- ☒ (a) Ravi requested me to help him with that task.
- ☐ (b) ~~Ravi told me help~~ him with this task.
- ☐ (c) ~~Ravi said me to please help~~ him with that task.
- ☐ (d) Ravi requested that I help him with this task.

14. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word:

Recalcitrant

(a) ~~Obstinate~~

(b) **Compliant**

(c) ~~Defiant~~

(d) ~~Unruly~~

Stubborn
Intractable
Mulish
Intransigent
Adamant
Obdurate
Tenacious
Pertinacious

Comprehension :**Direction:- (Q.15. to Q.19.)**

India's journey in space exploration began in 1962 with the establishment of the Indian National Committee for Space Research (INCOSPAR) under the leadership of Dr. Vikram Sarabhai. What started with modest rocket launches from Thumba soon evolved into one of the world's most respected space programs. The formation of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) in 1969 marked a turning point, reflecting India's ambition to harness space technology for national development. Over the decades, ISRO achieved remarkable milestones from launching the Aryabhata satellite in 1975 to the Chandrayaan and Mangalyaan missions that showcased India's prowess in lunar and interplanetary exploration. However, the true transformation occurred in the 21st century. With the successful launch of the Chandrayaan-3 mission in 2023, India became the first nation to land on the Moon's south pole, a feat celebrated globally. The mission highlighted ISRO's cost-effective innovation and technical expertise. Meanwhile, projects like Gaganyaan, India's first human spaceflight program, signify the country's leap toward manned missions. ISRO's collaborations with private space startups and global agencies are also expanding the frontiers of innovation, aiming to make India a key player in the global space economy. Yet, challenges persist — limited budgets, brain drain, and the need for continuous technological upgrades. Still, India's space vision remains clear: to combine affordability, innovation, and global collaboration to reach new cosmic milestones.

15. When was the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) established?

(a) 1962

~~(b) 1969~~

(c) 1975

(d) 1984

16. Which mission made India the first country to land on the Moon's south pole?

(a) Chandrayaan-2

(b) Mangalyaan

(c) Chandrayaan-3

(d) Gaganyaan

17. What does the Gaganyaan project aim to achieve?

- (a) Launch India's first Mars rover
- ☒ (b) Conduct India's first human spaceflight
- (c) Build a permanent space station
- (d) Launch low-cost communication satellites

18. Which factor is **NOT** mentioned as a challenge for India's space program?

(a) Limited funding

(b) Brain drain

~~(c) Lack of public interest~~

(d) Need for technological upgrades

19. What best describes India's long-term vision in space exploration?

- (a) To compete with Western nations at any cost
- (b) To combine affordability, innovation, and collaboration
- (c) To focus only on manned missions
- (d) To depend entirely on foreign space agencies

Direction:- (Q.20. to Q.21.)

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

20. If she knew you were coming, she would have
baked a cake.

(a) knows you were coming

☒ (b) had known you were coming

(c) was knowing you were coming

(d) has known you were coming

If + Past perfect,
would + have + V3

21. It's high time they should start preparing for the exam.

sub

~~(a) started preparing for the exam~~

~~(b) should have started preparing for the exam~~

~~(c) start to prepare for the exam~~

~~(d) will start preparing for the exam~~

It is time

It is high time

It is about time

+ sub + V₂

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

The manager informed the staff that the meeting had been postponed to Monday.

(a) "~~The meeting~~ is postponed to Monday," informed ~~the manager~~.

☒ (b) "The meeting has been postponed to Monday," said the manager.

(c) "~~The meeting had been~~ postponed to Monday," said ~~the manager~~.

(d) "~~The meeting will be~~ postponed to Monday," said ~~the manager~~.

23. The following sentences have been divided into parts. One of them contains an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options.

The proposal seeks to *neither to* expand existing facilities (1)/ nor hire additional staff members (2)/ until the budget allocation (3)/ for the next fiscal year is confirmed. (4)

(a) (1)

(b) (2)

(c) (3)

(d) (4)

24. 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. The invention of the printing press in the 15th century revolutionized how knowledge was shared across Europe.
2. This technological breakthrough made books more affordable and accessible to the general public.
3. As a result, literacy rates began to rise, paving the way for intellectual movements such as the Renaissance and the Reformation.
4. Before this invention, manuscripts were copied by hand, a slow and expensive process limited to the elite.

(a) ~~4, 1, 2, 3~~

(c) ~~4, 2, 1, 3~~

~~(b) 1, 4, 2, 3~~

~~(d) 1, 2, 3, 4~~

↑

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

The scientist's conclusions were entirely _____ to the data presented in the report.

(a) contradictory

(b) conducive

(c) conforming

(d) correspondent

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