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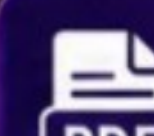
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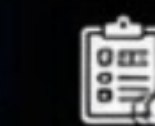
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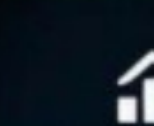
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✓ 1. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in the Active/Passive voice .

The children will finish their homework by dinner time .

- A →
- (a) Their homework will be finished by the children by dinner time.
 - (b) Their homework is finished by the children by dinner time .
 - (c) Their homework would be finished by the children by dinner time.
 - (d) Their homework has been finished by the children by dinner time.

2. Select the correct spelling to fill in the blanks .

The lawyer presented a _____ argument supported by evidence and logic .

(a) perswasive

(b) pursuasive

(c) persuasive

(d) persuasiv

3. 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 .

1. As a result, the demand for renewable energy sources has grown significantly in recent years .
2. The excessive use of fossil fuels has led to environmental degradation and global warming .
3. Renewable sources like solar and wind power are now being adopted worldwide as cleaner alternatives .
4. Governments and organisations are investing heavily in sustainable energy technologies .

(a) 2, 1, 4, 3

(b) 1, 2, 3, 4

(c) 2, 1, 3, 4

(d) 4, 3, 2, 1

4. 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 .

1. This enables machines to learn from data without explicit programming .
2. Machine learning, a subset of Artificial Intelligence, is rapidly gaining prominence .
3. Algorithms are trained on vast datasets to recognize patterns and make predictions .
4. Consequently, it finds applications in diverse fields, from healthcare to finance .

(a) 2-1-3-4

(b) 2-3-1-4

(c) 3-1-2-4

(d) 1-2-3-4

2 →

5. Select the most appropriate antonym of

the given word: DEBILITATE = make someone weak

(a) Fledgling

(b) Strengthen

(c) Enervate

(d) Groundbreaking

New

Weak

break

6. **Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom: Beat a dead horse**
- (a) To revive a lost cause
 - (b) To flog an animal for no reason
 - ☒ (c) To dwell on a topic that is already resolved or futile
 - (d) To invest time in a failing project

7. Select the correct spelling of a word meaning a person who studies the origin and development of human societies .

(a) Anthropologist

(c) Anthropolist

(b) Anthropologist

(d) Anthrapologist

8. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words: 'A secret plot or conspiracy, especially one intended to overthrow a government or leader .

(a) Coup

- violent

(b) Mutiny

(c) Cabal

(d) Machination

secret
Planning

9. 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 .

She enjoys reading novels (1) /, listening to music (2) / and to paint landscapes (3) / during her free time. (4)

(a) (1)

(b) (2)

(c) (3)

(d) (4)

10. Select the correct spelling of a word meaning the repetition of the same consonant sounds at the beginning of neighbouring words .

(a) Allitiration

(b) Aliteration

(c) Alliterasion

(d) Alliteration

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

The decision was made by the management to close the branch office .

- (a) The management makes the decision to close the branch office .
- (b) The management made the decision to close the branch office .
- (c) The management had made the decision to close the branch office .
- (d) The decision to close the branch office made the management.

Simple
Past

12. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underline/Bold segment in the given sentence.
By the time we finish dinner, the guests had already left .

(a) finished

(c) were finishing

(b) have finished

(d) had finished



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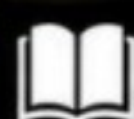


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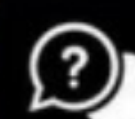
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13. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank .

She wants to buy a new dress for the party next week .

(a) a, the

(c) an, a

(b) the, a

(d) a, an

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

The garden was full of **fragrant** rose bushes .

(a) She rose early to watch the sunrise .

(b) A single red rose lay on the table .

(c) He gifted her a bouquet of white roses .

(d) The rose plant needs regular pruning .

✓ 15. Select the correct indirect/direct form of the given sentence .

The teacher said to the students, "Be attentive while solving the equations."

- (a) The teacher requested the students that they must be attentive while solving the equations .
- (b) The teacher told the students that they should be attentive while solving equations .
- (c) The teacher said the students to be attentive while solving equations .
- (d) The teacher advised the students to be attentive while solving the equations .

16. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom: In the dark

- (a) Unable to see physically
- (b) Feeling sad or depressed
- ☒ (c) Unaware of the true facts or details about something
- (d) Hiding from everyone

17. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words: A person who is excessively concerned with minor details and rules .

(a) Pedant

(b) Altruist

(c) Philistine

(d) Dilettante

→ Hostile

18. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom: To open a Pandora's Box

- (a) To unleash a multitude of troubles**
- (b) To solve a long-standing mystery**
- (c) To reveal a pleasant surprise**
- (d) To discover ancient secrets**

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

She said to me, "Where have you kept my notebook?"

(a) She asked me where had I kept her notebook .

(b) She asked me where I had kept her notebook

(c) She asked me where I have kept her notebook .

(d) She said me where I had kept her notebook .

20. 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 .

1. Regular analysis of this feedback helps companies refine their offerings .
2. Customer satisfaction is a critical metric for business success .
3. It often involves surveys, direct interviews, and social media monitoring .
4. Understanding customer needs and preferences is therefore paramount .

(a) 3-1-2-4

(b) 4-2-3-1

(c) 2-3-4-1

(d) 2-4-3-1

2 4 3 1 ✓

Comprehension Direction:- (Q.21 to Q.25)

Language, as a living system, mirrors the evolution of human society, thought, and culture . It constantly adapts to new contexts, reflecting the values and innovations of each era . Unlike static symbols, words possess an inherent flexibility that allows them to gain fresh meanings, discard outdated ones, and reshape themselves to suit changing human experiences . The rise of digital communication has accelerated this linguistic evolution, blending written and spoken forms in unprecedented ways . Abbreviations, emojis, and informal expressions have become integral to modern communication, reshaping how people convey tone, emotion, and nuance . While some view these shifts as a decline in linguistic standards or a threat to grammatical purity, others interpret them as evidence of language's vitality . The continual adaptation of vocabulary and structure illustrates that language, far from weakening, grows stronger through innovation . Just as societies evolve to meet new realities, so too does language transform to reflect technological, cultural, and emotional developments . Its strength lies not in resisting change but in absorbing it, ensuring that communication remains meaningful and relevant across generations . Ultimately, language endures because it mirrors the adaptability of the human mind itself, always seeking new ways to express thought and connection.

21. Which of the following best expresses the central idea of the passage?

- (a) Language must remain unchanged to preserve its cultural value .
- (b) The flexibility of language allows it to survive and stay relevant .
- (c) Digital communication has weakened the purpose of language .
- (d) Words should retain their original meanings to ensure clarity .

22. According to the passage, how has digital communication influenced language?

- (a) It has restricted the creative use of words .
- (b) It has made written and spoken language more distinct .
- (c) It has blended written and spoken forms through new symbols and abbreviations
- (d) It has eliminated the need for grammar and structure .

23. What does the author imply by stating that "language mirrors the adaptability of the human mind"?

- (a) Language changes only when people change their values .
- (b) Language evolves because humans are capable of innovation and flexibility .
- (c) Language follows strict, unchanging rules of human thought .
- (d) Language adapts automatically without human involvement .

24. The phrase "linguistic purity" as used in the passage refers to:

- (a) Maintaining traditional forms and avoiding modern variations .**
- (b) Encouraging creativity in communication .**
- (c) Using a mix of languages and expressions .**
- (d) Promoting simplicity in speech .**

25. Which of the following words best describes the author's attitude toward linguistic change?

(a) Critical

(b) Appreciative

(c) Indifferent

(d) Pessimistic

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