

New Pattern English-1

Directions (1-10): In each of the following questions, a paragraph with a blank is given. From the five choices given below, select the sentence which can go into the blank to make the paragraph logically coherent.

Q1. Srinagar is the capital of Kashmir. There are very beautiful scenes all round. The Dal Lake is one among them. [] We can hire one of them and voyage along the length and breadth of the lake or live in it for a week or so.

- (a) There are several guides to take us round.
- (b) There we can see a number of house boats waiting to be hired by the tourists.
- (c) It is difficult to count them.
- (d) It was dark inside and bright outside.
- (e) There are several tourists looking around the place.

Q2. Polio-affected children are found everywhere in India. Recently the Government has started Polio-eradication Scheme. [] Unless we take care to co-operate the purpose cannot be fulfilled.

- (a) We must help children to take the proper vaccine.
- (b) We must take the children to get vaccinated.
- (c) Children must remain without any movement.
- (d) We must make children exercise.
- (e) We need experts to undertake such projects.

Q3. Many film-stars have recently migrated to the area of television. [] As the viewers increase their popularity also increases. T.V serials appear to be more paying than the feature films.

- (a) Television gives a better chance of action.
- (b) There they have a greater number of viewers.
- (c) Television is a house hold affair.
- (d) If we do not like a TV program we can turn it off.
- (e) Television is useful in many ways.

Q4. Man is trying to find out modern means of producing electric power. The solar panel is one of them. [] This electricity can light lamps, turn fans or work small household appliances.

- (a) It is very cheap and affordable.
- (b) We ourselves can make one such device.
- (c) It converts sunlight into electricity.
- (d) It is easy to work and beautiful to look at.
- (e) Electricity is a good substitute for sunlight.

Q5. Air-pollution is one of the gravest problems faced by city-dwellers. Foul gas liberated from heaps

of waste matter is one source of pollution. [] Recently the Government has made arrangements to measure it. If it is above the allowable limit the vehicles are prohibited from plying along the public roads.

- (a) Another source is the smoke emitted by vehicles.
- (b) Foul water in the channels is another.
- (c) The smell from toddy shops pollutes the air.
- (d) Open drainage pollutes the air.
- (e) People suffer due to smoke emitted by vehicles.

Q6. Corruption has become rampant in India. Corrupt officials and politicians are ruling over the hapless common man. [] People must join together and force them to take necessary legal action.

- (a) Politicians with integrity simply withdraw from the scene.
- (b) Such officials are welcomed by the general public.
- (c) Even police authorities are reluctant to face them.
- (d) They do it with the connivance of topmost authorities.
- (e) Corruption is the breeding ground for all evils.

Q7. Feature films have a very great influence upon the common people. They have no hesitation in regarding actors as gods. [] They must utilize this love and regards to serve the people, not to exploit them.

- (a) Gods are expected to protect the devotees.
- (b) Though they are gods they are human enough to err.
- (c) Gods never walk on earth or collect money.
- (d) Some people are ready even to die for them.
- (e) Actors are viewed as gods.

Q8. Most of us fall victim to some sort of disease or the other. We can avoid diseases by leading a hygienic life. It is better to bear in mind a simple truth. [] The consciousness of this truth will lead us to happiness.

- (a) It is impossible to have constant health.
- (b) Hygienic life is less costly than medical treatment.
- (c) Man is mortal and likely to die at any moment.
- (d) Happiness is always evasive.
- (e) Health needs good care as we may fall victim to some sort of disease.

Q9. A doctor has succeeded in raising a variety of monkeys similar to human beings. They clean their teeth with brushes and mop their face with towels. [] In that case these animals may be called monkey – man and we may be called man – monkeys.

- (a) Perhaps they may learn and use human language.
- (b) Sometimes they may die after a few days.
- (c) The method adopted by the doctor is wonderful.
- (d) We can expect a lot of change in the case of other animals also.
- (e) Monkeys are good subjects unlike human beings.

Q10. It is wonderful how a word can acquire diagonally opposite meaning. Gandhiji called the socially downcast people by the name Harijans. [] But now the Harijans themselves feel that it is a word of insult.

- (a) Gandhiji was a social reformer.
- (b) Gandhiji had many Harijan friends.
- (c) Gandhiji expected to bring them respect by calling them the children of God.
- (d) Harijans have risen to such a high position that they feel their brand name 'Harijan' to be degrading.
- (e) Only Harijans are children of God.

Directions (11-15): Each of the following questions has a paragraph from which the last sentence has been deleted. From the given options, choose the one that completes the paragraph in the most appropriate way.

Q11. Lower winter temperatures were common in Europe during the second half of the 17th century, famously allowing frost fairs to be held on the frozen Thames in London before riverine developments increased the flow rate. These cold winters coincided with the Maunder minimum in solar activity when the Sun remained virtually free of sunspots for almost 50 years. However, establishing that this was not just a chance occurrence requires that the relationship continue to hold over a long interval, such that cold European winters become less frequent when solar activity is high and then more common again when solar activity falls. Various indicators show that during the recent minimum of the 11 year sunspot cycle, the Sun has been quieter than at any time in the previous 90 years.

- (a) This means that solar activity during the current sunspot minimum has fallen to levels unknown since the start of the 20th century.
- (b) This yields an opportunity for a better test of the relationship between solar activity and cold European winters.
- (c) This proves that cold winters occur more commonly in the UK during low solar activity.
- (d) This regional and seasonal effect relating to European winters may have a global effect.
- (e) None of the above

Q12. Debt is more common in families with disabled children: the parents were unable to keep up with any local property taxes, water, and telephone bills, and were not likely to be able to afford basic items such as a family holiday once a year, a bicycle, or even two pairs of shoes. A disabled baby needs more nappies. Families' ability to work grows difficult, and finding childcare is a real burden. Households with disabled children will depend more on social security benefits and are faced with the additional financial costs associated with caring for a disabled child.

- (a) There is a strong link between child disability and poverty.
- (b) The highest prevalence of childhood disability is found in the poorest families.
- (c) It is an adverse and serious social gradient that families with disabled face.
- (d) But thanks to science, these children live longer and medicines keep them alive.
- (e) None of the above

Q13. What a super film experience Green Zone is! From the firecracker opening to the sucker-punch climax, the film is a non-stop adrenalin rush. The hand-held camera and natural light make you feel as if you are seeing the action from the front, as if you have access to footage shot from a sniper's

sights. Whether it is a Bourne-in-Baghdad kind of relentless action thriller or a strong statement against the U.S. war in Iraq, (incidentally, it is both) Green Zone succeeds as a pure cinema, delivering thrills, spills and chills in breathless succession hardly giving anyone time to breathe.

- (a) This is a movie that takes you on a thrilling, provocative, exhilarating ride.
- (b) There is really nothing more you could ask for from a movie.
- (c) Green Zone effectively knits several strands together to make a cohesive whole.
- (d) The plot is taut and truthful.
- (e) None of the above

Q14. Talented youth can ill-afford to resign to their fate just because they can't properly communicate in English. They should confront the challenges which should, in fact, bring out their best. A little confidence and hard work are all that is needed for them to climb up the career ladder. For that they need to develop communication skills in English, shape up their personalities and acquire the much-needed knowledge.

- (a) Knowledge and communication skills are the key ingredients that make up the recipe for success.
- (b) Students have to act as leaders in the college itself.
- (c) Success will automatically follow.
- (d) Speaking and writing in English are important, thinking in English is twice as important.
- (e) None of the above

Q15. Philosophy of music has been dominated by the view that the best music is autonomous and formally complex. As recently as 1990, philosophy of popular music consisted of variations on a single theme. Philosophers defended the twin assumptions that popular music is essentially different from "serious" or art music, and that the former is aesthetically inferior to the latter.

- (a) As a result, music could not be regarded as art if it lacked genius and autonomy.
- (b) As a result, popular music competes with and replaces local and regional folk traditions.
- (c) As a result, most philosophers concentrated on identifying the aesthetic deficiencies inherent in popular music.
- (d) As a result, philosophers have investigated popular music by identifying and critiquing key concepts that shape our response to this music.
- (e) None of the above