



**CONCISE** <sup>(adj)</sup> most opposite word

brief and comprehensive

1. Curt

2. Prolix

3. Terse

4. Succinct

5. Laconic

using or containing too many words

- **Directions (1-2) :** The following question has two blanks, each blank indicating that something has been omitted. Choose the set of words for each blank that best fits in the context of the sentence.



- **1) Distracted by the pandemic, the government took a while and eventually came up with an appropriate tit-for-tat \_\_\_\_\_ in end-August. Second, the Indian military has just embarked on perhaps its most significant institutional reform, \_\_\_\_\_ by the prime minister's (PM)'s decision to create a Chief of Defence Staff (CDS).**

induct → ~~सहित~~ ~~कल~~

A) operation, set off

B) activity, trip X

C) exercise, activating X

✓ D) manoeuvre, triggered

E) move, induct ✓

- **2)** For instance, one of the offensive strike cops, historically tasked to operate on the western border, is now being given a            towards the north. Such “rebalancing,” as Army Chief General MM Naravane, put it, was long            but raises more questions.

X

**A) power, awaited**

control over

X

**B) control, delayed**

X

**C) leadership, belated**

X

**D) duty, tardy**

delayed

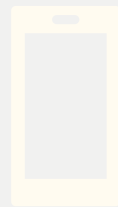
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**E) responsibility, overdue**

delayed

job

- **Direction (3-5):** in each of the following questions a grammatically correct and meaningful sentence is given with four words given in bold in each. Which of the following words should replace each other to form a meaningful and grammatically correct sentence. The meaning can be different from the one in question.



3) Stressed asset investors believe that non-banking financial companies (NBFCs), real estate, and **consulting (A)** energy firms have a high likelihood of **slipping (B)** into distress over the next five years, according to a report by **restructuring (C)** and turnaround renewable **(D)** firm Alvarez and Marsal.

1) A-D

2) C-D

3) A-C, B-D

4) A-B, C-D

5) B-D

renewable energy

4) Mint **meltdown (A)** on 28 December that deals of more than \$100 million are expected to slow down, with investors turning **provider (B)** on companies with high burn rate, following the **reported (C)** of co-working space **cautious (D)** We Work.

1) A-D

2) C-D

3) A-C, B-D

4) A-B, C-D

5) B-D



5) However, in **terms (A)** of deal volume, only 11 companies used the QIP route in 2019, as against 25 in 2018, **indicating (B)** that only large companies were able to tap the market this year, which was **headwinds (C)** by volatility due to various macro **characterized (D)**.

$v \rightarrow$

f by

1) A-D

2) C-D

3) A-C, B-D

4) A-B, C-D

5) B-D

adverse  
could

headwinds - तेजतर  
← उतारुन

- **Directions (6-8):** Improve the bold part in the following sentences, if needed.



6) Visiting a temple is ~~a~~ good if you are not going just because it has become a habit; rather go there as a conscious seeker, then your visit will help purify your mind.

To + vi

1) Visiting a temple is good if you are not going just because it has become a habit; rather

2) ~~Visit~~ a temple is good if you are not going just because it has become a habit; rather

3) Visiting a temple is good if you are not going just because it has ~~become~~ a habit; rather

4) Visiting a temple is good unless if you are not going just because it has become a habit; rather

5) No correction required

**7) Political leaders, social ideologists and the utopians were promising him the same thing — not in paradise but here on earth, somewhere far away in the future when society goes through a total revolution and there is no poverty, no classes, no government and man is absolutely free and has everything that he needs.**

1) was promising him the same thing — not in paradise but here on earth, somewhere far away in the future when society goes through a total revolution and there is no poverty, no classes, no government

2) were promising him the same thing — not in paradise and here on earth, somewhere far away in the future when society goes through a total revolution and there is no poverty, no classes, no government

3) were promising him the same thing — not in paradise but here on earth, somewhere far away in the future when society goes through a total revolution and there is any poverty, no classes, no government

4) were promising him the same thing — not in paradise but here on earth, somewhere far away in the future when society goes through an total revolution and there is no poverty, no classes, no government

5) No correction required

**8) Witnessing is pure perception — see the things as they are — unlike the sensory perception of seeing thing with our past memory.**

1) see the things as they are — unlike the sensory perception of seeing things with

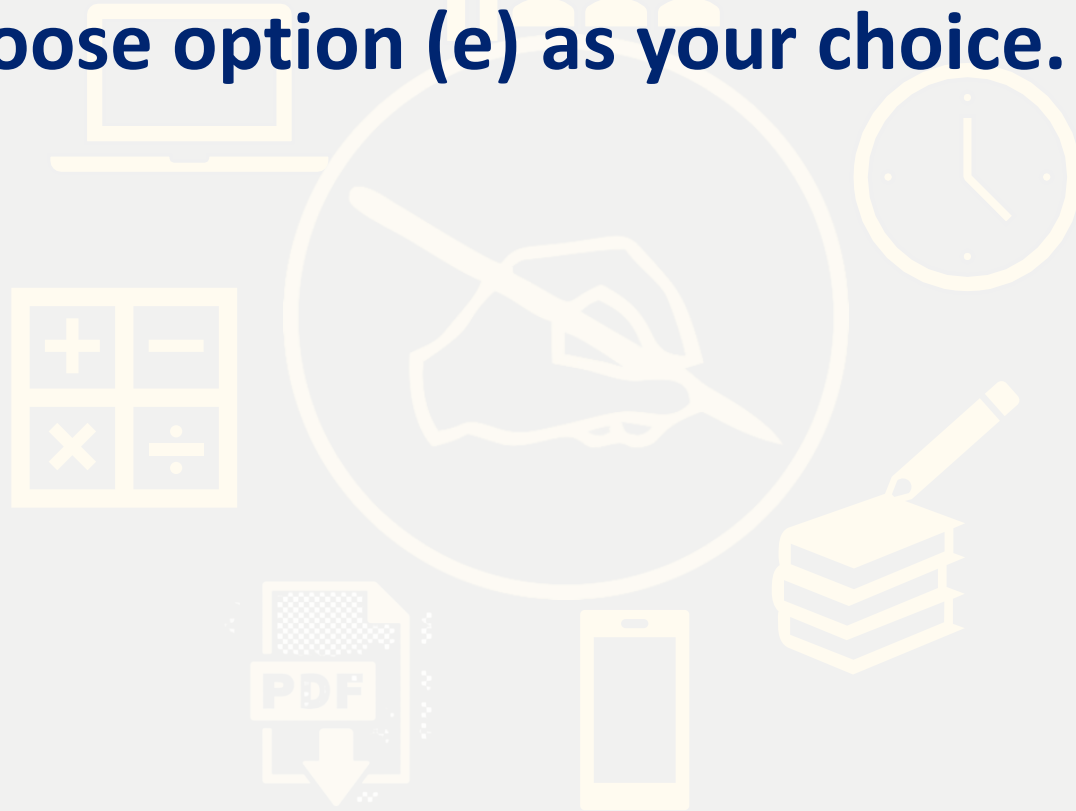
2) seeing the thing as they are — like the sensory perception of seeing things with

3) seeing the things as they are — unlike the sensory perception to seeing things with

4) seeing the things as they are — unlike the sensory perception of seeing things with

5) No correction required

- **Directions (9-10):** In each of the following questions, four sentences are given and you have to choose the one which has some or any grammatical error in it. If all the given four sentences are correct choose option (e) as your choice.



- 9). (1)** The government has significantly weakened the critical duty imposed by the law on patentees/licensees to disclose patent working information
- (2)** Too much of strong leadership has robbed India of its democratic exuberance and constitutional dynamism.
- (3)** Core sectors recorded yet another contraction in November, with cement and steel slipping back after a minor uptick.
- (4)** Many of his pieces have designs incised or in relief, and others are skilful<sup>ly</sup> decorated with gold and silver
- (5)** All have no error

(adverb)

verb

- 10) (1) The gender gap in the agriculture sector will only widen more with the current farm laws
- (2) Journalism focuses on a narrative of gloom that forces many people to avoid news altogether.
- (3) Journalism creates a better-informed citizenry, which in turn creates a better collective future
- (4) There will possibly be a unanimous rejection of the Republican objections to Joe Biden's <sup>adv</sup> electoral votes
- (5) All have no error

an <sup>3<sup>rd</sup></sup> umbrella  
a unic 24

a [unanimous]  
एकमत



- **Directions (11-12):** Two columns are given in each question and each column has three phrases. Choose the most suitable pair of phrases, which makes a grammatically correct and contextually coherent statement.



## 11). COLUMN A

A) The regulator did not wait for sufficient safety and efficacy data to be collected B). If there is already some degree of apprehension about the safety and efficacy of COVID-19 vaccines,

concern

C) If the answers to those questions are affirmative, then

## COLUMN B

D. the opaque nature of the approval process has done little to mitigate such concerns.

E. and did not share information about the clinical trials before granting approval. F. made assumptions about increasing rates of technological progress is very reasonable.

- 1) B-D (2) A-E & B-D (3) C-D & B-F (4) A-E & C-F (5) A-E, B-D & B-F

**12) COLUMN A**

- A) These regulatory bodies and committees have remained silent
- B) More than being a scientific methodology,
- C) The coercive attempt to falsify a study participant's claims and intimidate him or her

*(with) some*  
*fo - subject*      *agreement / up*      *rules*

**COLUMN B**

- D. violates the agreed upon rules of clinical trials
- E. clinical trials are a method of human cooperation
- F. the impression that they are not independent

- ~~(1) B-D~~    ~~(2) A-E & B-D~~    (3) C-D & B-F    ~~(4) A-E & C-F~~    (5) B-E & C-D

- **13-17) A.** This is partly linked to drop in payment rates, as consumers are struggling to pay their bills amid rising consumption and tight finances.
- **B.** Embracing energy efficiency can be a win-win solution as this can bring down household energy bills and reduce discoms' financial stress
- **C.** The Indian government has sanctioned liquidity relief to help discoms tide over this crisis, but these are just short-term fixes.
- **D.** The rules lay down uniform performance standards for power distribution companies (discoms) and make them liable to compensate consumers in case of violations.
- **E.** The well-intentioned rules come at a time when Indian discoms are struggling to manage their finances.
- **F.** The Power Minister, R.K. Singh, recently announced the Electricity (Rights of Consumers) Rules, 2020.

