

# **BPS/BANK 2023**

**ENGLISH** 

READING COMPREHENSION WITH DESCRIPTIVE







### SUMMARY

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### QUOTE OF THE DAY

### GOOD MORNING



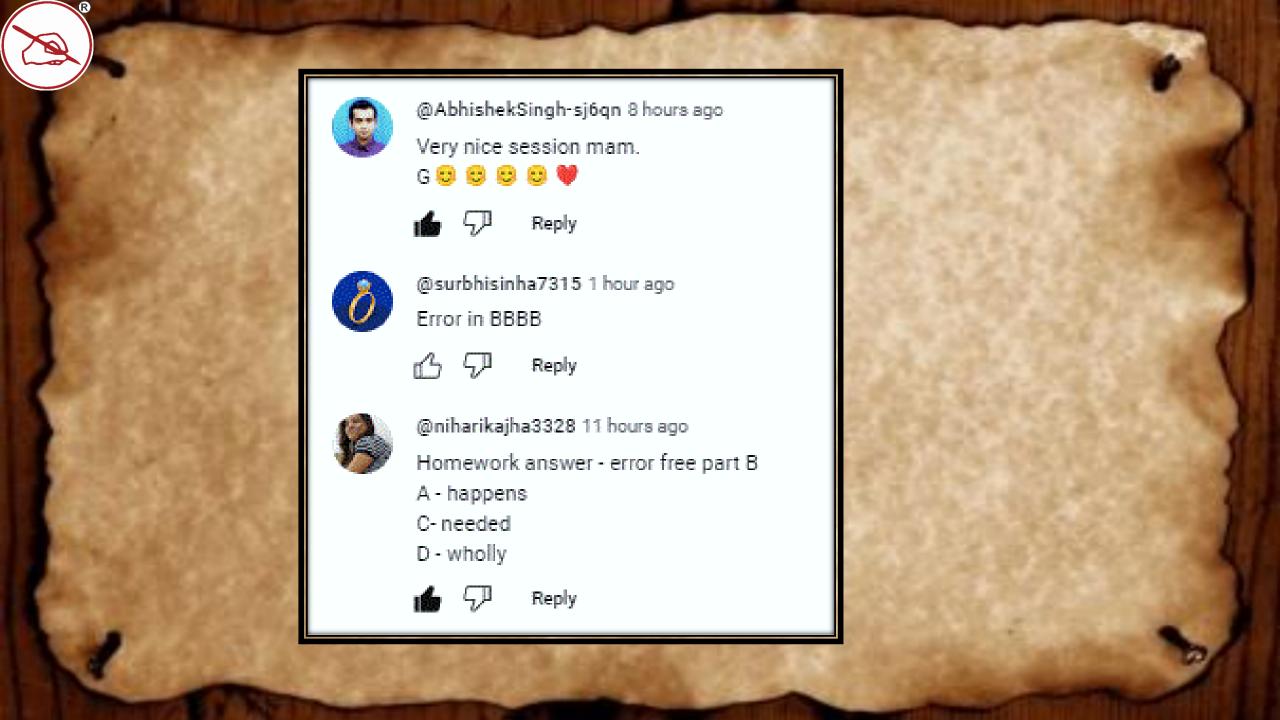
**Opportunities in** life are like the sunrise. If you miss it, You won't be able to see it again. So grab the right opportunity coming your way.



#### **HOMEWORK**

### Find the error free part from the given sentence

Transcendence happen when you discover from your own experience (A)/ that restraint is more satisfying than indulgence (B)./ Discipline may still need to manage (C)/ a desire, not whole disappeared, but it is done with a wholesome attitude (D)./ Guilt plays no part in it.





### **VOCABULARY**

**Meaning:** Without qualification

Synonyms: Utter, Flagrant, Absolute, Gross,

Unmitigated

**Antonyms:** Jejune, Defective, Mitigated,

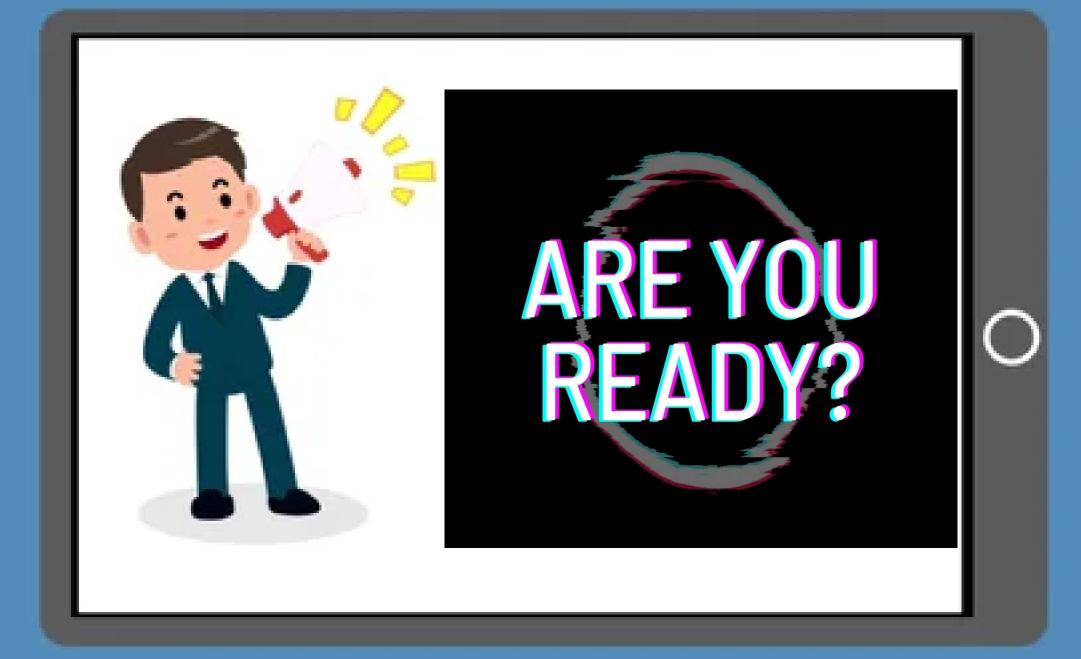
**Conditional** 

Sentence: I have never heard more arrant nonsense in my life.

## **ARRANT**









Yahoo's 22-year life as an independent company has come to an end with its sale to Verizon for \$4.8 billion. For all the promise it held as the first port of contact for a generation that was new to the Internet and its possibilities, the end has been anti-climactic. Yet, such an ending had been increasingly anticipated for many years. After a heady start as 'Jerry and David's guide to the World Wide Web,' a list of Web links named after its Stanford University student founders Jerry Yang and David Filo, Yahoo quickly lost the first-mover advantage. The company survived the dotcom bust of 2001, but from then on Yahoo could only play catch-up to a company younger by two years and founded by fellow Stanford students: Google. An end to the journey was imminent especially after the struggles in recent years to make itself relevant again in an Internet world very different from the one it had been born into — one dominated by search and social media.



It is noteworthy that Google and Facebook, leaders in this world, were in the past considered by Yahoo for acquisition. Efforts by Google-import Marissa Mayer, Yahoo's CEO since 2012, to give it a new direction resulted in a few high-profile acquisitions such as Tumblr, but evidently Yahoo could not fundamentally reinvent itself.

Ms. Mayer could have only done so much. It could be argued that Yahoo lost direction pretty early. Experts have repeatedly pointed out that Google figured out what the Internet was all about much better than many of its rivals at the time, including Yahoo. While Google followed where the user went, Yahoo created a portal and expected to box in the user to its properties. Yahoo's choices led media expert Jeff Jarvis to refer to it as "the last old-media company". The lesson is not lost on anyone: platforms always trump portals. But this is not the only opportunity that Yahoo missed.



It bought Flickr much before the dawn of the Instagram age but could not do much with the photo-sharing site. Then, in 2008, Microsoft made a bid to acquire Yahoo for a whopping \$44 billion. Yahoo rejected the offer, saying it was "substantially undervalued". It also recently decided to write down a good chunk of the value of Tumblr, the blogging network it had bought for more than a billion dollars just a few years ago. Perhaps its best decision, amid missed opportunities and misreadings, was the \$1 billion investment made in 2005 in the then fledgling e-commerce company Alibaba, which is today a giant. After the sale to Verizon, this investment is all that Yahoo's shareholders will be left with. And this amounts to a very healthy \$41 billion.



Which of the following is/are the best decision of Yahoo, amid missed opportunities and misreading?

- A. Yahoo rejected the Microsoft's offer in 2008
- B. Yahoo's choices led media expert Jeff Jarvis to refer to it as the last old-media company
- C. 1 billion investment made in 2005 in the then fledgling e-commerce company Alibaba
- D. Yahoo's 22-year life as an independent company has come to an end with its sale to Verizon for \$4.8 billion
- E. None of the above



Which among the following is **net** TRUE according to the passage given above?

- A. Yahoo's choices led media expert Jeff Jarvis to refer to it as the last old-media company
- B. Yahoo couldn't survive the dotcom bust of 20
- C. While Google followed where the user went, Yahoo created a portal and expected to box in the user to its properties
- D. Both A and B





#### Which new direction of Yahoo could not fundamentally reinvent it?

A. Microsoft made a bid to acquire Yahoo for a whopping \$44 billion

B. It bought Flickr much before the dawn of the Instagram age

C. A few high-profile acquisitions such as Tumblr

D. Both A and C

E. All of the above





# What according to the passage experts have repeatedly figured out about Google?

a) A. It followed where the user went



b) B. Google created a portal and expected to box in the user to its properties

c) C. Google figured out what the Internet was all about much better than many of its rivals at the time

d) D. Both A and C



e) E. All of the above



#### Which of following is/are the companies' leaders in this world?

A. Alibaba and Google

B. Google and Facebook

C. Facebook and YouTube

D. Google and YouTube

E. Not mentioned in the passage





### Which of the following would be a suitable title of the passage?

A. The Yahoo disadvantage

B. Yahoo Inc

C. Microsoft and Yahoo

D. Yahoo's Tumblr







Which among the following is MOST OPPOSITE in meaning to the word "anticipated"?

A. Bygone

B. Benevolent

C. Equivocal

D. Predicament





**Explanation:** Anticipate means to act as a forerunner or precursor of.

Predicament means a difficult, unpleasant, or embarrassing situation.

Equivocal means open to more than one interpretation; ambiguous.

Benevolent means well-meaning and kindly.

One word Substitution

Bygone means belonging to an earlier time.



Which among the following is MOST SIMILAR in meaning to the

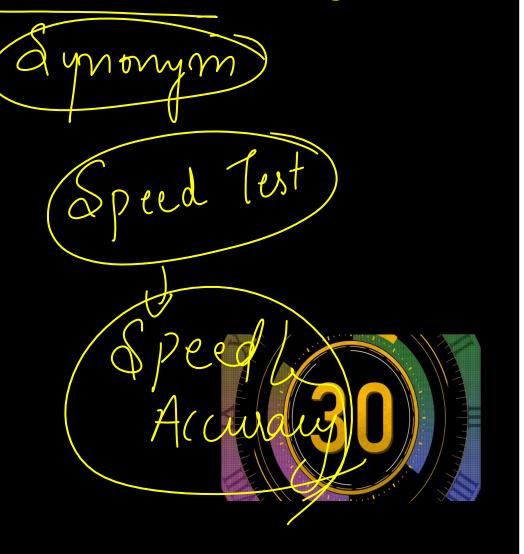
word "imminent"?

(A. Doubtful

B. Ambiguous

C. Candid

D. Expectant





**Explanation:** 'Imminent' means forthcoming or possible. Corresponding to this, 'expectant' is the most suitable response.

Expectant means having or showing an excited feeling that something is about to happen, especially something good.

Candid means truthful and straightforward; frank?

Ambiguous means (not clear or decided.

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Doubtful means feeling uncertain about something.



# Which among the following is MOST OPPOSITE in meaning to the word "acquisition"?

A. Redemption

**B.** Possession

C. Forfeit

**D.** Procurement





**Explanation:** 'Acquisition' means obtaining or receiving. Contrary to this, 'forfeit' is the most suitable response.

Forfeit means to lose or be deprived of (property or a right or privilege) as a penalty for wrongdoing.

Procurement means the action of obtaining or procuring something.

Accretion means growth or increase by the gradual accumulation of additional layers or matter.

Possession means the state of having, owning, or controlling something.



### Which among the following is MOST SIMILAR in meaning to the

word "rivals"?

A. Associates

**B.** Supports

C. Stimulus

D. Emulates

E. Assists

HOMEWORK

