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Close Test

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Directions (1-5):In the following passage there are blanks each of which has been numbered as well as filled with a word which may be appropriate in context of the passage or maybe not. If the word highlighted is incorrect and needs improvement then choose any one option suggested below. But if the given word is correct and requires no change then mark (5) i.e. no change required as your answer.

QUESTION 1

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Choose the correct option for (A).

- (1) groan — *Complain*
- (2) grieve — *sad*
- (3) action
- (4) gross — *very bad/unacceptable.*
- (5) No change required

The Centre's proposed amendment to central deputation rules for IAS, IPS and Indian Forest Service officers to mitigate the shortage of personnel is being opposed by opposition-ruled states. The situation calls for reforms instead of confrontation. Gol's grouse (A) is that states haven't been clearing enough officers for central deputation while states complain the new rules easing Gol's ability to secure an assured supply of officers is a power grab in disguise. Both sides should recognise the key problems – shortage of officers and abundance of government departments.

face to face fight/discussion

a complaint/grouse.

Share — like

QUESTION 2

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Choose the correct option for (B).

- (1) ~~effectuates~~ — *(+)* execute. *put into action / operation*
- (2) erode — *gradually destroy*
- (3) unveils — *remove the cover.*
- (4) ~~undermines~~ — *lessen the power / effect.*
- (5) No change required

Therefore, intake of officers through UPSC must increase. Go's 'Group A' officers undertaking leadership roles account for just 2.8% of central employees. Too few senior public service employees undertakes (B) governance. India's 3.8% of the workforce comprising public sector officials is pitifully low compared to 22.5% in UK, 13.5% in US and 28% in China. Against UP and Karnataka having 80 and 85 salaried government employees per 10,000 population, virtually no US state has corresponding numbers lower than 200.

negative word

execute / consider.

QUESTION 3

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Choose the correct option for (C).

- (1) strike — hold / hit.
- (2) slur *Speak indistinctly so that*
- ☒ (3) stuttered — *progress in a hesitant or irregular way.*
- (4) ~~progress~~
- (5) No change required

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↓ to stop in between.

QUESTION 4

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Choose the correct option for (D).

- (1) running
- (2) ~~(-) sprawling~~
- (3) spraying
- (4) spree
- (5) No change required

spread over a large area in an untidy or irregular way.

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cutting

extending (+)

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Choose the correct option for (E).

- (1) No change required
- (2) restricting — *stop.*
- (3) receding — *go back/retreat*
- (4) rung — *support*
- (5) spring — *leap/jump.*

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Directions (Q6-10): In the following question, three sentences have been given which may or may not be grammatically correct. Find out the correct sentences and mark your answer accordingly. If all the sentences are correct, mark your answer (5) i.e., All correct.

Spelling Error

~~Emphasis~~

QUESTION 6

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Sub***0:45**

A. At present, the firm has four under-construction residential projects in Mumbai and ~~plan~~ *plans* to add three-four projects very soon.

~~B. Industry bulls~~ say domestic asset managers' profits are growing as they expand.

~~C. NBFCs~~ are yet to fully absorb the systemic shock following defaults by IL&FS and a consequent liquidity crunch.

(1) Only A

~~(2) Both B and C~~

(3) Only B

(4) Both A and C

(5) All correct

QUESTION 7

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A. New rules will be brought in a non-disruptive manner, said RBI governor.

B. India's savings pool keeps getting bigger and the market is anticipating that a growing portion of them will go into mutual funds.

Singular Sub

it.

C. The story had been published from a wire agency feed without modifications to the text.

(1) Only A

~~(2) Both B and C~~

~~(3) Only B~~

(4) Both A and C

(5) All correct

QUESTION 8

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fishing
A. In the coal allocation, the fingers were pointed at the Prime Minister as he held the coal portfolio for a short while.

B. The anti-corruption movement gained momentum, with rural development activist sitting on fast several times.

C. Coal mines were allotted on a first-come-first-serve basis, without due diligence and much below their realisable potential value.

(1) Only A

(2) Both B and C

(3) Only B

(4) Both A and C

(5) All correct

Rules of Relative Pronoun. - who/which/that - Relative

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1 - living = who ; Non-living = which.

QUESTION 9

A. In the spectrum allocation case, it was a minister of the ruling party ~~which~~ who was sent to jail. living.

~~B. After all, he was a competent technocrat and a sagacious gentleman to hold the office.~~

~~C. What is dubbed as a leadership crisis is in effect a challenge arising out of an erosion of trust.~~

In a sentence

2 L & NL → that

3 AU — L = who/that
NL = that.

4 Superlative / only / any / some / None / much / many / little etc — used before an antecedent = that

(1) Only A ☒ (2) Both B and C

(3) Only B (4) Both A and C ☒

(5) All correct

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QUESTION 10

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- A. The company expects commercial vehicle business to remain in the slow lane for a few months.
- B. The aviation ministry informed the National Company Law Tribunal that they will positively consider any concrete business plan for grounded Airways.
- C. As per the Reserve Bank of India's risk-assessment report, the public sector lender under-reported bad loans by a huge number.

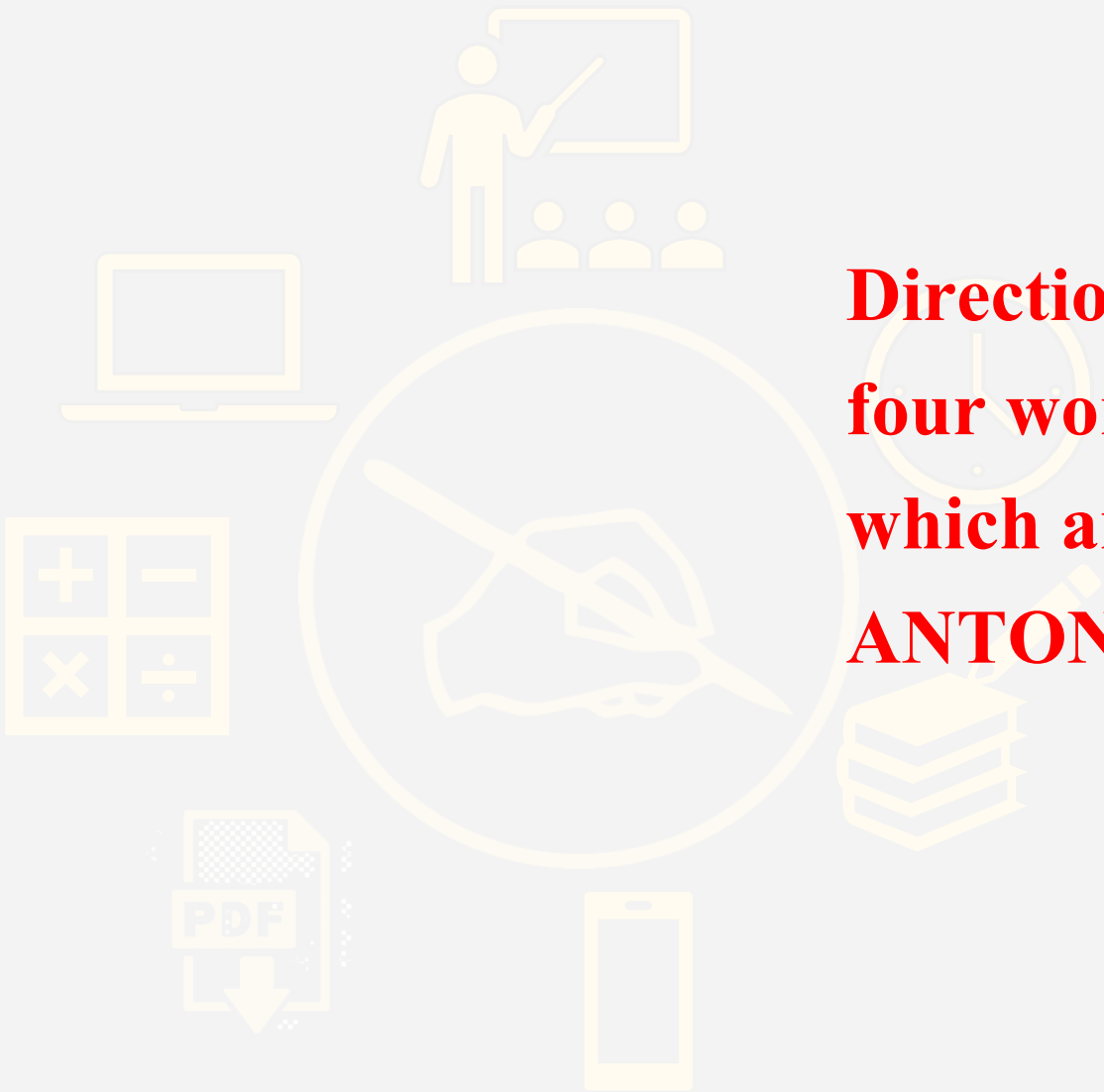
(1) Only A

(2) Both B and C

(3) Only B

(4) Both A and C

(5) All correct



Directions (Q11-15): In the following question, four words are given. Choose the pair of words which are either the **SYNONYM or the **ANTONYM** of each other.**

QUESTION 11

A. Unawareness
C. Utopia

B. Prevalence
D. Paradise

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

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QUESTION 12

A. Ravenous

B. Full

C. Cooperative

D. Fleshed

(1) A & C

(2) B & C

(3) A & B.

(4) B & D

(5) C & D

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QUESTION 13

- A. Amend
B. Adamant
C. Determined
D. Preventive

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

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QUESTION 14

A. Devoid

B. Avoid

C. Lacking

D. Enriching

(1) A & C

(2) B & C

(3) A & B

(4) B & D

(5) C & D

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QUESTION 15

A. Anonymity

B. Audacity

C. Rage

D. Politeness

(1) A & C

(2) B & C

(3) A & B

(4) B & D

(5) C & D

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HOMESWORK



Directions(Q16-20):Rearrange the following sentences (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F) and (G) in the proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph, then answer the questions given below them.

QUESTION 16-20

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- A. Customers will then be able to book their cars by making payments through an online gateway by credit card
- B. The objective is to simplify the purchase cycle
- C. They are putting in place suitable payment gateways with help of
- D. Nissan India announced that it will sell cars online and make its entire product line available for purchase via internet
- E. Specific car portals to ensure timely delivery and service at the time of purchase
- F. The car will then be delivered to the customer by their nearest Nissan dealership when ready



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