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Idioms and Phrases Question for Exams SSC (CGL Teir-1, CGL Teir -2 & SSC 10+2), CLAT and CDS Exams

Idioms and Phrases Quiz 6

Directions: Study the following questions carefully and choose the right answer:

1. Dowry is a burning question of the day.

- A. a dying issue B. a relevant problem C. an irrelevant problem
D. a widely debated issue

2. His voice gets on my nerves.

- A. makes me sad B. irritates me C. makes me ill D. pierces my eardrums

3. The doctor says that the patient has turned the corner.

- A. completely recover B. become worse C. passed the crisis D. died

4. Kanika was left high and dry by her friends when she lost all her money.

- A. abandoned B. rejected C. wounded D. depressed

5. The party stalwarts have advised the president to take it lying down for a while.

- A. to accept insult without resisting B. to take rest C. to be on the defensive side
D. to be cautious

6. A movement for the world unity is in the offing.

- A. at the end B. about to start C. on decline D. in the air

7. In the armed Forces, it is considered a great privilege to die in harness.

- A. die with honour B. die on a horse back C. die while working D. die in the battlefield

8. Niharika is not a cut out for this kind of work.

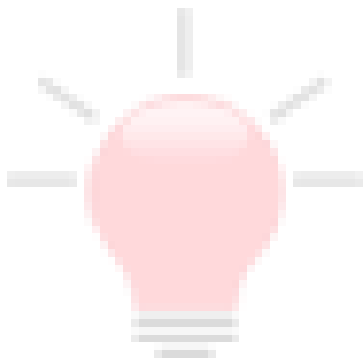
- A. trained B. suitable C. recommended D. considered

9. His most trusted friend proved to be a snake in the grass.

A. cowardly and brutal B. an unreliable person C. a treacherous person D. low in morals

10. The politician was able to sway the mob with his gift of the gab.

A. fluency of speech B. flattering words C. abundance of promises D. political foresight



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Correct Answers:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
D	B	C	A	A	B	C	B	C	A

Explanations:

1.

Burning question:

An urgent or crucial issue under heated discussion.

Ex. Fire in Pune factory raises the burning question: are you prepared?

Option D is hence the correct answer.

2.

To get on (one's) nerves:

To irritate, grate on, or exasperate someone.

Ex. Nothing personal, but your voice is really getting on my nerves.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

3.

Turn the corner:

to pass a critical point in a process.

Ex. The patient turned the corner last night. She should begin to show improvement now.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

4.

High and dry:

without resources or help.

Ex. Your family would be left high and dry by the death of the breadwinner.

Synonyms: destitute, bereft, helpless, without help, without assistance, without resources, in the lurch, in difficulties, forsaken, **abandoned**, stranded, marooned, etc.

Option A is hence the correct answer.

5.

To take something lying down:

to endure something unpleasant without fighting back.

Ex. He insulted me publicly. You don't expect me to take that lying down, do you?

Option A is hence the correct answer.

6.

In the offing:

likely to happen or appear soon

Ex. There are several initiatives in the offing.

Ex. BJP-JD(S) alliance in the offing for Karnataka assembly elections?

Option B is hence the correct answer.

7.

Po die in harness:

To die while still actively working or still of the age or physical condition to do so; to die before retirement

Ex. Musicians mostly die in harness.

Ex. Listing employee welfare initiatives, he said that 10% DA has been granted to SRTC employees during the current financial year, Welfare Scheme policy revised for the employees who die in harness and Insurance Cover Policy for employees also introduced.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

8.

Cut out:

To be fit for or suited to something by nature

Ex. I'm not cut out to be a hero.

Option B is hence the correct answer

9.

A snake in the grass:

A treacherous person

Ex. Did you hear that Yuvraj's best friend stole money from her bank account? What a snake in the grass.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

10.

Gift of the gab:

The ability to speak easily and confidently in a way that makes people want to listen to you and believe you.

Ex. She's got the gift of the gab - she should work in sales and marketing.

Option A is hence the correct answer.



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