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Passage No. 49

Directions: Read the following passage to answer the given questions based on it. Some words or phrases are printed in bold to help you locate them while answering some of the questions.

The Criminal Investigation Department often makes use of fingerprints in identifying culprits. This procedure is based on the accepted truth that the fingerprints of no two individuals are the same. A glance at the five fingers of our own hand convinces us of the differences that exist among them. No two individuals are the same, not even identical twins. Everyone is different from the other in one way or another.

Noticeable differences may exist in size, weight, age appearance, colour, voice, smile, etc. There are other difference which are not easily observable. Differences exist in the mental make-up, psychological actions, understanding capacity, attitudes, abilities, interests, etc.

Every individual is a separate entity having his or her own identity. It speaks highly of the Creator who has not created the human beings like the modern machine-made goods. Every individual has been created separately and differently from the **rest**.

Individual differences exist because of heredity, family background, education,, environment, etc. Whatever the causes or reasons, we must accept the fact that there are individual differences both perceptible and non-perceptible. Consequently, two individuals cannot be expected to react to a situation or a problem in the same way. There are as many opinions as there are men. It is bound to be so. One should not be **surprised** to get different opinions from different people on the same issue.

Individual differences affect the actions, reactions and performances of people. In a family of three children, the eldest may do extremely well at studies, and the parents expect the same kind of performance from the others. It is certainly unjust and **unfair** as each of them is different in several ways. Very often we wonder why a person reacts the way he or she does. We consider that person to be strange, abnormal or stupid. Yet, that person may be quite normal and intelligent. These differences in reactions can be understood only if individual

differences are kept in mind. In fact, this concept helps people understand each other better. It results in respect and **appreciation** for each other's views.

It is understood that each one is a separate individual with his or her own identity. No one is expected to be a carbon copy of another. We may imitate or hero-worship, but it would be wrong to identify ourselves with someone else. We are different and must remain so in our thoughts, words and actions.

Questions:

1. Why do different people react differently to the same issue? Select the best answer.

- A. Because they want to establish their superiority over others.
- B. Because of individual differences – both perceptible and non-perceptible.
- C. Because of their different physical make-up.
- D. Because of their different attitudes.
- E. None of the above

2. How does the existence of individual differences glorify God?

I. The God as created every individual separately and differently from the rest.

II. No machine can produce every product of different types.

III. God is great, and no one can be more powerful than God.

- A. Only I B. Only II C. Only III D. All I, II and III E. None of these

3. Find the incorrect statement on the basis of the given passage.

- A. It is unjust and unfair to think all the children of the same person to be identical.
- B. Two sons of the same parents will react to situation in the same way if they are identical twins.

C. The procedure of the CID is based on the truth that the fingerprints of no two individuals are the same.

D. No one is expected to be a carbon copy of another.

E. None of the above

4. What are the causes for individuals differences?

A. Every individuals has different fingerprints.

B. Every individuals wears different clothes and has different hairstyles and appearance.

C. Every individuals has a different background, educational environment and heredity.

D. Every individuals is the offspring of different parents.

E. None of the above

5. Why is it wrong to identify ourselves with someone else ?

A. Because this world is made up of millions of different individuals.

B. Because we are different and must remain so.

C. Because we gain nothing if we stay identical.

D. Because we can do better than others.

E. None of the above

6. Choose the word which is **MOST SIMILAR** in meaning to the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

Creator

A. founder B. designer C. God D. destroyer E. destructor

7. Choose the word which is **MOST SIMILAR** in meaning to the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

Rest

A. break B. holiday C. remaining D. sleep E. relax

8. Choose the word which is MOST SIMILAR in meaning to the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

Appreciation

A. gratitude B. attitude C. neglect D. disregard E. criticism

9. Choose the word which is MOST OPPOSITE in meaning of the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

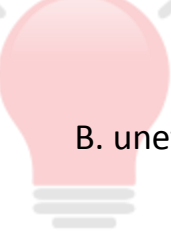
Surprised

A. composed B. amazed C. passive D. bewildered E. jolted

10. Choose the word which is MOST OPPOSITE in meaning of the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

Unfair

A. dark B. unethical C. foul D. honest E. cruel



Correct Answers:

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

Explanations:

1.

Kindly refer to the 2nd and 3rd statements of the 4th paragraph of the passage.

2.

It is evident from the 2nd and 3rd sentences of the 3rd paragraph of the passage that the creator or the God is great who has not created human beings like the modern machines make goods.

The God instead has created every individual separately and differently from the rest.

3.

It is clearly the statement given as option 'B' which is incorrect here as it speaks exactly opposite to what is stated in the passage.

4.

Kindly refer to the 1st sentence of the 4th paragraph of the passage in which it is clearly stated that Individual differences exist because of heredity, family background, education,, environment, etc.

5.

Kindly go through the last paragraph of the passage.

6.

Clearly the writer in the passage has referred to the God as creator. The correct answer hence is option 'C'.

7.

The rest is used to refer to all the parts of something or all the things in a group that remain or that you have not already mentioned.

Ex. It was an experience I will treasure for the rest of my life.

The option 'C' hence is an appropriate synonym to the word 'rest' in the given context of the passage.

8.

Your appreciation for something that someone does for you is your gratitude for it. = gratitude

Ex. He expressed his appreciation for what he called Saudi Arabia's moderate and realistic oil policies.

Hence, 'gratitude' is the most appropriate synonym to the word 'appreciation' in the given context of the passage.

9.

If you are surprised at something, you have a feeling of surprise, because it is unexpected or unusual.

Ex. This lady was genuinely surprised at what happened to her pet.

On the other hand, if someone is composed, they are calm and able to control their feelings.

Ex. Mr. Goswami was very calm and composed even when he saw his son was in danger.

Hence, the most opposite word to 'surprised' is 'composed' in the given context of the passage.

10

An unfair action or situation is not right or fair and clearly the most opposite word to it is 'honest' in the given context of the passage.

Hence option 'D' is the correct answer.



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