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# Sentence Connector Questions Bank Exams (IBPS PO Pre, IBPS SO Pre, IBPS Clerk, IBPSPO, SBI PO Pre, SBI Clerk, SBIPO)

## Sentence Connector Quiz 1

Directions: Select the phrase/connector out of three phrases/connectors given as (a), (b) and (c) which can be used in the beginning (to start the sentence) to form a single sentence from the two or three statements given while implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences.

1. I. India has implemented an action plan formulated by the Centre's Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries to deal with avian influenza.

II. India is a major agricultural nation with a large poultry industry.

a. Although India .....

b. As a .....

c. Being a .....

A. Only a      B. Only c      C. Only b      D. b and c      E. All of the above

2. I. Banks in India have embraced technological change.

II. The onus is on them to integrate inter-generational legacy systems across branches, ATMs and online banking networks into one seamless and secure whole.

a. On account of technological .....

b. Besides the onus .....

c. With banks in India .....

A. Only b      B. Only c      C. Only a      D. b and c      E. None of these

**3. I. The UAE has involvement in conflicts across the region, both openly in Yemen and in Syria.**

**II. Its rulers have possibly realised the need to squeeze more revenue out of every barrel of oil.**

**a. In spite of the UAE .....**

**b. Since the UAE's rulers .....**

**c. Given the UAE's .....**

**A. Only a      B. Only b      C. Only c      D. a and c      E. None of these**

**4. I. It is essential to allow content to be delivered to students in order to expand domain of their knowledge.**

**II. India has limited infrastructure for reading facilities in libraries.**

**a. Keeping in mind limited .....**

**b. As India .....**

**c. Allowing content .....**

**A. Only a      B. Only b      C. b and c      D. a and b      E. All of these**

**5. I. Indian media has been covering news reports about terror attacks in Afghanistan.**

**II. It is imperative that Pakistan's proxy war in Afghanistan be highlighted much more prominently, Afghanistan being our strategic partner.**

**a. While Indian media .....**

**b. Afghanistan being our strategic partner .....**

**c. Despite Indian media .....**

- A. Only a      B. Only c      C. a and b      D. a and c      E. None of these

**6. I. The Startup India programme so far has had the limited visibility.**

**II. No one is in the know of what the Startup India programme which was announced last year with much fanfare to promote entrepreneurship, achieved.**

**a. As no one is .....**

**b. While no one is .....**

**c. On account of the limited .....**

- A. Only a      B. Only c      C. Only b      D. a and c      E. All of these

**7. I. More than 90 per cent of almost 350 million Indians currently accessing the Internet on mobile devices.**

**II. The availability, affordability and quality, in terms of browsing speeds, of the data service becomes critical.**

**a. Even if more than .....**

**b. Since the availability .....**

**c. With more than .....**

- A. Only b      B. Only c      C. a and b      D. b and c      E. All of these

**8. I. We ended up learning why hair turns gray and discovering the identity of the cell that directly gives rise to hair.**

**II. This project was started in an effort to understand how certain kinds of tumors form.**

a. As soon as we ended up .....

b. In spite of this project .....

c. Although this project .....

A. Only a      B. b and c      C. a and c      D. Only c      E. None of these

9. I. India is yet to ratify the UN Convention against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment treaty.

II. India signed it the two decades ago.

a. With a view to ratifying .....

b. Two decades after .....

c. Despite signing .....

A. Only c      B. a and b      C. b and c      D. a and b      E. None of these

10. I. Many in the strategic community rightly blame politicians and bureaucrats for their reluctance to appoint a Chief of Defence Staff.

II. They often overlook resistance to jointness within the services.

a. While many in the .....

b. Besides many in the .....

c. If they often overlook .....

A. Only a      B. Only b      C. Both a and b      D. Both b and c      E. All a, b and c

**Correct Answers:**

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
D	B	C	D	A	B	B	D	C	A

**Explanations:****1.**

In the given statements, statement I states India's strength as a major agricultural nation with a large poultry industry and statement II discusses what India has done to deal with avian influenza.

Applying the elimination technique, let's check the relevance of each of the options one by one.

possibility 1.

Although India has implemented an action plan formulated by the Centre's Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries to deal with avian influenza, it is a major agricultural nation with a large poultry industry.

Or

Although India is a major agricultural nation with a large poultry industry, it has implemented an action plan formulated by the Centre's Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries to deal with avian influenza.

We can observe that neither of the above two formations expresses a meaningful context.

This eliminates option A.

**Possibility 2.**

As a major agricultural nation with a large poultry industry, India has implemented an action plan formulated by the Centre's Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries to deal with avian influenza.

Clearly, the above synthesis is both grammatically and contextually correct and keeps the flow of the sentence intact.

**Possibility 3.**

Being a major agricultural nation with a large poultry industry, India has implemented an action plan formulated by the Centre's Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries to deal with avian influenza.

Evidently, the above synthesis is also both grammatically and contextually correct and coherent.

Option D is hence the correct answer.

**2.**

The given statements seem to be effects of a common cause.

Applying the elimination technique, let's check the relevance of each of the options one by one.

**Possibility 1.**

On account of technological change that banks in India have embraced, the onus is on them to integrate inter-generational legacy systems across branches, ATMs and online banking networks into one seamless and secure whole.

We can observe here that though the formation above is grammatically correct, it doesn't express a meaningful context. This hence eliminates option C.

**Possibility 2.**

Besides the onus on banks to integrate inter-generational legacy systems across branches, ATMs and online banking networks into one seamless and secure whole, they in India have embraced technological change.

Once again we have here a construction that is grammatically correct but logically flawed. This hence eliminates option A and D as well.

**Possibility 3.**

With banks in India having embraced technological change, the onus is on them to integrate inter-generational legacy systems across branches, ATMs and online banking networks into one seamless and secure whole.

Clearly, the synthesis made above is both grammatically and contextually correct and keeps the flow of the sentence intact.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

**3.**

In the given statements, statement I depicts the UAE's involvement in conflicts across the region and statement II states a possible effect.

Applying the elimination technique, let's check the relevance of each of the options one by one.

**Possibility 1.**

In spite of the UAE's involvement in conflicts across the region, both openly in Yemen and in Syria, its rulers have possibly realised the need to squeeze more revenue out of every barrel of oil.

Though the synthesis made above looks fine, it doesn't not however keeps the flow intact. This eliminates options A and D.

**Possibility 2.**

Since the UAE's rulers have possibly realised the need to squeeze more revenue out of every barrel of oil, it has involvement in conflicts across the region, both openly in Yemen and in Syria.

Once again an example of a grammatical correct formation but it too doesn't make any sense here. This eliminates option B as well.

**Possibility 3**

Given the UAE's involvement in conflicts across the region, both openly in Yemen and in Syria, its rulers have possibly realised the need to squeeze more revenue out of every barrel of oil.

Clearly, the above synthesis is both grammatically and logically correct and keeps the chain of thoughts intact.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

**4.**

While statement I states the necessity of the delivery of content, statement II points to the limited infrastructure for reading facilities in India.



Applying the elimination technique, let's check the relevance of each of the options one by one.

Possibility 1.

Keeping in mind limited infrastructure for reading facilities in libraries in India, It is essential to allow content to be delivered to students in order to expand domain of their knowledge.

Clearly, the above synthesis is both grammatically and contextually correct and keeps the flow going.

This eliminates options B and C.

Possibility 2.

As India has limited infrastructure for reading facilities in libraries, it is essential to allow content to be delivered to students in order to expand domain of their knowledge.

This formation also implies the intended meaning and is both grammatically and contextually correct.

Possibility 3.

Allowing content to be delivered to students in order to expand domain of their knowledge, India has limited infrastructure for reading facilities in libraries.

Though the above construction is grammatically correct yet it doesn't make a coherent sentence.

Option D is hence the correct answer.

**5.**

If we read the sentences carefully, we can observe that the statements I and II simply suggest that India should go ahead exposing Pakistan while covering news report about terror attacks in Afghanistan. Applying the elimination technique, let's check the relevance of each of the options one by one.

**Possibility 1.**

While Indian media has been covering news reports about terror attacks in Afghanistan, It is imperative that Pakistan's proxy war in Afghanistan be highlighted much more prominently, Afghanistan being our strategic partner.

Clearly, the above synthesis is both grammatically and contextually correct and keeps the flow intact. This hence eliminates option B.

**Possibility 2.**

Afghanistan being our strategic partner, it is imperative that Pakistan's proxy war in Afghanistan be highlighted much more prominently, Indian media has been covering news reports about terror attacks in Afghanistan.

Clearly, we can observe that the above formation doesn't make a coherent synthesis. Hence, this eliminates option C as well.

**Possibility 3.**

Despite Indian media has been covering news reports about terror attacks in Afghanistan, it is imperative that Pakistan's proxy war in Afghanistan be highlighted much more prominently, Afghanistan being our strategic partner.

Though the above construction looks fine at the first glance, it is not logical in the context.

Clearly, option A is the correct answer.

**6.**

In the two statements given above, the statement I discusses the cause or reason of an event and the statement II states the effect of it.

Applying the elimination technique, let's check the relevance of each of the options one by one.

**Possibility 1.**

As no one is in the know of what the Startup India programme which was announced last year with much fanfare to promote entrepreneurship, achieved, the Startup India programme so far has had the limited visibility.

The construction made above, though, seems grammatically correct but doesn't make any sense contextually. This eliminates options A and D.

**Possibility 2.**

While no one is in the know of what the Startup India programme which was announced last year with much fanfare to promote entrepreneurship, achieved, the Startup India programme so far has had the limited visibility.

Once again, the case has been same here. This formation too looks correct at first glance, but is contextually absurd, if interpreted. Option C also gets eliminated.

### **Possibility 3.**

On account of the limited visibility of the Startup India programme, which was announced last year with much fanfare to promote entrepreneurship, no one is in the know of what it achieved.

Clearly, the above synthesis is both grammatically and contextually correct and keeps the flow intact.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

7.

In the statements given above, the first states the reason for the growing internet phenomenon and the second points towards the requisites to serve the market.

Applying the elimination technique, let's check the relevance of each of the options one by one.

### **Possibility 1.**

Even if more than 90 per cent of almost 350 million Indians currently accessing the Internet on mobile devices, the availability, affordability and quality, in terms of browsing speeds, of the data service becomes critical.

The formation above, though, looks grammatically correct but doesn't make any sense contextually.

The phrase 'Even if' is used for emphasizing that a particular situation will remain the same no matter what happens.

Ex. I'm determined to prove my innocence even if that means going to the highest court in the land.

Ex. I'll go even if you forbid me to.

But, in the compound sentence made above there is no context of emphasizing anything. This hence eliminates option C.

### **Possibility 2.**

Since the availability, affordability and quality, in terms of browsing speeds, of the data service becomes critical, more than 90 per cent of almost 350 million Indians currently accessing the Internet on mobile devices.

Once again we have got a sentence which seems correct grammatically, but is absolutely absurd while deriving a meaningful context out of it.

We use 'since' as a conjunction to introduce a reason and had the word 'since' joined with the statement I instead of the statement II, it would have made a meaningful synthesis. The options A and D get eliminated as well.

### **Possibility 3.**

With more than 90 per cent of almost 350 million Indians currently accessing the Internet on mobile devices, the availability, affordability and quality, in terms of browsing speeds, of the data service becomes critical.

Clearly, the above synthesis is both grammatically and contextually correct and keeps the flow intact.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

## **8.**

If we read both the given statements carefully, we can observe the presence of the phrasal verb 'ended up' in statement I that somehow hints it to be following the statement I after synthesis.

Applying the elimination technique, let's check the relevance of each of the options one by one.

### **Possibility 1.**

As soon as we ended up learning why hair turns gray and discovering the identity of the cell that directly gives rise to hair, this project was started in an effort to understand how certain kinds of tumors form.

We can evidently observe here that though the first half of the above construction makes sense, the other half is absolutely absurd and irrelevant in the context. This eliminates options A and C.

### **Possibility 2.**

In spite of this project was started in an effort to understand how certain kinds of tumors form, we ended up learning why hair turns gray and discovering the identity of the cell that directly gives rise to hair.

The above formation is grammatically incorrect.

Explanation:

In spite of', 'despite' and 'although' are all used to show a contrast but there are differences in the structures used with them.

In spite of / despite

After in spite of and despite we use a noun or a pronoun.

Ex. We enjoyed our camping holiday in spite of the rain.

Ex. Despite the pain in his leg he completed the marathon.

Ex. Despite having all the necessary qualifications, they didn't offer me the job.

Although

After although we use a subject and a verb.

Ex. We enjoyed our camping holiday although it rained every day.

Ex. Although he worked very hard, he didn't manage to pass the exam.

Ex. The holiday was great although the hotel wasn't very nice.

This hence eliminates option B as well.

### **Possibility 3.**

Although this project was started in an effort to understand how certain kinds of tumors form, we ended up learning why hair turns gray and discovering the identity of the cell that directly gives rise to hair.

Clearly, the above synthesis is both grammatically and contextually correct and keeps the flow intact.

Option D is hence the correct answer.

**9.**

If we read the two given statements carefully, we can infer that both are contradictory in nature.

Applying the elimination technique, let's check the relevance of each of the options one by one.

**Possibility 1.**

With a view to ratifying the UN Convention against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment treaty, India signed it two decades ago.

Though the connector 'With a view to ratifying ....' goes well with the statement I yet it doesn't keep the context intact and implies a different meaning from what is inferred from the given statements.

Options B and D hence can be eliminated.

**Possibility 2.**

Two decades after signing the UN Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment treaty, India is yet to ratify it.

Clearly, the above synthesis is both grammatically and contextually correct and keeps the flow intact.

This eliminates option A as well.

**Possibility 3.**

Despite signing the UN Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment treaty two decades ago, India is yet to ratify it.

This construction is also correct as it states the same context as described in the given statements.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

**10.**

The two sentences given above present a contrastive sense and thus usage of 'Besides' or the conditional clause introducer 'if' would be irrelevant in the context.

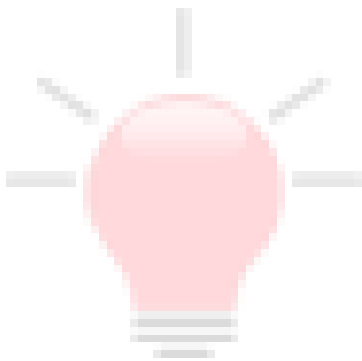
Let's now check the relevance of the option A here.

**Possibility:**

While many in the strategic community rightly blame politicians and bureaucrats for their reluctance to appoint a Chief of Defence Staff, they often overlook resistance to jointness within the services.

Clearly, the above synthesis is both grammatically and contextually correct and keeps the flow intact.

Option A is hence the correct answer.



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