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English Questions for CLAT Exam

CLAT English Quiz 25

Directions: In this question four alternatives are given under each sentence and you are required to select the most suitable alternative to fill in the blank/blanks in the sentence to make it meaningful.

1. But, judging from the frequent accidents which occur, they sometimes dispense _____ this precaution.

- A. from
B. with
C. for
D. about

2. To accomplish such a herculean task in hardly three days is an enterprise _____ with difficulty.

- A. fraught
B. devoid
C. likely
D. composed

3. The _____ remark made by the author in the beginning was a warning that what followed later in the text was mere opinion and not fact

- A. ardent
B. garrulous
C. hieratic
D. prefatory

4. The invention of republic citizenship in India was indeed a historic event, and a _____ with the past

- A. discourse
B. consolidation
C. rupture
D. lexicon

5. The creation of India as a sovereign, independent republic was, in some profound sense, the _____ of a bold experiment in political affairs.

- A. commencement
B. discovery
C. investment
D. affect

6. The issue carries articles by eminent scholars and policy makers which would surely _____ informed debate on this subject and clarify a lot many questions in our minds.

- A. garner
B. flaunt
C. spur
D. mollify

7. After the bank robbery, the police _____ the robbers.

- A. went after
B. went through
C. looked after
D. ran through

8. The Indian cricket team will _____ against their rival next Wednesday.

- A. go up
B. take on
C. take off
D. take up

9. Vets are worried about the _____ trade of the wild animals.

- A. hereditary
B. illicit
C. inconvenient
D. garrulous

10. There was hardly anything original in the documentary; it was all _____ information.

- A. equivocal
B. illicit
C. prevalent
D. banal



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Correct Answers:

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

Explanations:

1. Dispense (Verb):

manage without or get rid of or give special exemption from (a law or rule).

Ex. The Secretary of State was empowered **to dispense with** the nationality requirement in individual cases.

Clearly, the verb 'dispense' is followed by the preposition 'with'.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

2. 'devoid' and 'composed' must be followed by 'of' and not 'with'. 'likely' must be followed by 'to' and not 'with'. Hence we are left with 'fraught' which is the answer.

Besides, 'fraught' means 'filled with' or 'full of'. It is the only option that fits the narrative perfectly.

Hence **option A** is correct.

3. 'garrulous' is someone who is excessively talkative. 'heiratic' means 'of or concerning priests'.

An ardent person is very enthusiastic or passionate about something. Whereas 'prefatory' refers to 'introductory'.

A remark cannot be garrulous, or ardent. 'heiratic' doesn't fit the context. Besides, the sentence talks about the remark being made in the beginning and concerning what followed later. Hence, prefatory fits the narrative perfectly, as it refers to a remark made in the introduction to whatever piece the author had written.

Hence **option D** is the correct answer.

4. To rupture is to breach or disturb.

Consolidation refers to the action or process of making something stronger or more solid.

Discourse is written or spoken communication or debate.

Lexicon is a dictionary.

Clearly, Discourse and Lexicon are irrelevant to the context. And if we look further, we can see that the sentence refers to the past. Hence 'rupture' becomes more meaningful and contextually appropriate than consolidation.

Hence **option C** is correct.

5. 'affect' or 'investment' in an experiment are absurd.

'discovery' of an experiment is grammatically correct, but since the sentence talks about 'creation' of a country, 'commencement' is more accurate and contextually appropriate than 'discovery'.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

6. To flaunt is to display (something) ostentatiously.

To garner is to gather or collect.

To mollify is to appease i.e. to make someone less angry or upset.

To spur is to prompt someone or something.

Clearly, one cannot flaunt, garner or mollify informed debates. Whereas to spur informed debates through articles by eminent authors makes complete sense.

Hence **option C** is the correct answer.

7. 'Went through' is absurd. To go through someone is to either physically go through them which is impossible or to use someone as an intermediary, which again is incorrect here. The same goes for 'ran through.'

'Looked after' is grammatically correct, but it doesn't fit the context. To look after is to take care of. Police doesn't take care of robbers, it catches them. Hence 'went after' is the correct answer.

To go after someone is to try to get by working or actually chasing. For example, Joe went after her to make sure she was unhurt.

Hence **option A** is the correct answer.

8. To take up means to 'become interested or engaged in a pursuit' but it doesn't fit with the 'against' present in the sentence.

To take off is to depart hastily, which is absurd in this case.

To take on is 'to contend with as an opponent' which fits the narrative, but is incompatible with the word 'against' present in the sentence.

To 'go up against someone' is an idiomatic expression which means 'to compete with someone.' For example, 'She is going up against Rodney in the spelling bee.'

Hence **A** is the correct answer.

9. 'Hereditary' means something that is transmitted or transmittable from parent to offspring.

'Garrulous' means 'excessively talkative'. Clearly, both the options are absurd.

'Inconvenient' doesn't make total sense, either.

'Illicit,' on the other hand, means illegal or forbidden, fits the narrative perfectly.

Hence **option B** is the correct answer.

10. 'Equivocal' means ambiguous. 'Prevalent' means widespread. Clearly, both the options are absurd and hence, incorrect.

Illicit means illegal and banal means boring and lacking in originality. The sentence already talks about 'There was hardly anything original' and hence 'banal' fits the narrative better and is the correct option.

Hence **option D** is the correct answer.



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