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# English Questions for CLAT Exam

## CLAT English Quiz 3

Directions: In the following question, a sentence with a blank is given, followed by four options. Choose the option which best fits the blank in a meaningful way.

1. Rehan was so drowsy \_\_\_\_\_ he could not come with us.

- A. than            B. so            C. as            D. that

2. The criminal together with his associates \_\_\_\_\_ arrested.

- A. was            B. were            C. is            D. have

3. The farmer had \_\_\_\_\_ land and many servants.

- A. little            B. a lot of            C. a few            D. many

4. The new employee complied \_\_\_\_\_ whatever instructions given by the manager.

- A. on            B. at            C. to            D. with

5. A policeman \_\_\_\_\_ I know helped me in this matter.

- A. who            B. whom            C. which            D. to which

6. When I was about to invite Reena to the conversation, suddenly the call was \_\_\_\_\_ .

- A. hold off            B. broke off            C. broke down            D. hung up

7. It was not until he reached the station \_\_\_\_\_ realized he had forgotten to carry his ticket.

- A. he            B. when he            C. that he            D. and he

8. It feels really soothing to see people in rural areas still living \_\_\_\_\_ the skills that they possess.

- A. in            B. on            C. for            D. by

9. This question is the most \_\_\_\_\_ of all.

- A. complicate            B. toughest            C. difficult            D. easiest

10. Observing a deliberate security \_\_\_\_\_ , the building supervisor immediately ordered the suspension of two guards.

- A. base            B. edition            C. lapse            D. wit

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**Correct Answers:**

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

**Explanations:**

1. As per the rules of grammar, so.... that are the correlative conjunctions which denote a reason or purpose behind an event.

Here, feeling drowsy is the reason behind not going. Thus the correct word that fits the blank is 'that'.

Therefore all other options are incorrect and cannot be filled in the blank.

Hence option D is the correct answer.

2. Here the main focus is on criminal and not on his associates, thus singular verb will be used as per the singular subject.

Since the sentence is of past tense, helping verb 'was' will be the most appropriate fit to the blank.

Note- If the sentence was joined with conjunction 'and' in place of 'with' then plural verb will be used.

Hence option A is the correct answer.

3. Option A 'little' means less is eliminated, as it is contradicting to 'many servants'.

Options C and D are incorrect as they are used for countable nouns, whereas 'Land' is an uncountable noun.

The correct word to fit the blank is "a lot of" which means more or a large number.

Hence option B is the correct answer.

4. Certain verbs like comply, propose, prefer, order etc. are always followed by preposition 'to'.

The only option that has the preposition 'to' is option C.

Hence option C is the correct answer.

5. 'Which' is used for non-living things, but here the context refers to a policeman. Thus option C and D are incorrect.

'Whom' is the most appropriate word to fit the blank, as it is used to refer the object of the verb.

Hence option B is the correct answer.

6. Option A 'hold off' means to not do something.

Option B 'broke off' means to separate from something.

Option C 'broke down' means to stop working.

Option D 'hung up' means end a conversation. It is the second form of "hang up".

Apparently, we can see that option D is contextually as well as grammatically a perfect fit to the blank.

Hence option D is the correct answer.

7. As per the rules of English language, it is compulsory that after the phrase "it was not until" the conjunction "that" should follow.

There may be a confusion with option B "when he", but using "when" here would seem repetitive, as the phrase "it was not until" can be replaced with "when" and the sentence can also be written as "When he reached the station, he realized that he had forgotten to carry his ticket".

Hence option C is the correct answer.

8. The correct option that fit the blank is option D 'by'.

'To live by' means to survive by doing or using something in particular.

Thus rest of the options are absurd in the context.

Hence option D is the correct answer.

9. Use of 'most' determines the superlative degree of adjective

Option A and B already denote superlative degree. Thus are grammatically incorrect.

Complicate is verb ; 'complicated' is the adjective which would be correct.

The superlative degree of 'difficult' is "most difficult" which is not only grammatically correct but suits the context also.

Hence option C is the correct answer.

- 10.** The sentence says that there was mismanagement in the security arrangements and it was probably done intentionally.

The building supervisor sensed this and assuming that it was done by the two guards, he immediately ordered their suspension.

To convey the same meaning as explained above, the only suitable word that fits in the blank is "lapse" which means a brief or temporary failure of concentration, memory, or judgement or a decline from previously high standards.

Rest all other options are out of context.

Hence option C is the correct answer.



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