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Cloze Test Quiz 49

Directions: In the passage given below there are 10 blanks, each followed by a word/phrase given in bold. Each blank has four alternative words/phrases given in options A, B, C and D. You have to tell which word will best suit the respective blank. Mark E as your answer if the word given in bold after the blank is your answer i.e. "No change required."

Email tracker is a third-party software that anyone can download and install for free. For certain **(A) detracted** features one has to pay a fee but the basic version is free. A person who sends mail using this software can **(B) tract** on the time and date at which the mail was viewed, the number of times it was viewed, the IP address of the device on which it was viewed, whether it has been forwarded to a third person or not.

(C) On the first time it seems like a handy tool. We all have been in situations where we **(D) wandered** whether the important mail we sent to the Boss or Professor was read or not. And where there is demand, there is an entrepreneur willing to **(E) stunt** on it. The tracking software **(F) embedded** a small, invisible image in the sent mail, and when the receiver opens the mail, it is detected and this data is received by the software to inform the sender.

There is very little awareness around the issue of mail tracking. With data consumption increasing **(G) sluggishly** in the past year itself, India is poised for a digital revolution. The **(H) nuances** of using basic services such as email need to be understood, especially by professionals in the work space. Cyber-attacks are on the **(I) slump** and developing countries are at the greatest risk since scant attention is being paid to issues of privacy and safety. So what you can do to stop being tracked? Change your settings and stop loading remote content on your mail. It will make your inbox a bit drab without all the pictures. This will stop most

trackers but not the highly **(J) expertise ones**. You can also download additional software for the purpose.

Questions :

1. A

A. second B. primary C. prominent D. additional E. No change required

2. B

A. be an apple of my eye B. keep an eye C. an eye catcher D. a bird's eye view

E. No change required

3. C

A. In the first instance B. A quick glare C. A first look D. Looking through

E. No change required

4. D

A. roaming B. wondered C. wandered D. did E. No change required

5. E

A. cheat B. memorize C. stabilize D. capitalize E. No change required

6. F

A. embeds B. distant C. assembled D. emblem E. No change required

7. G

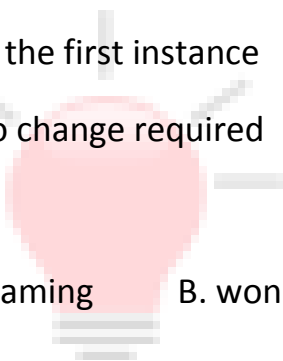
A. adversely B. at doorstep C. by leaps and bounds D. slow down

E. No change required

8. H

A. examples B. variety C. structure D. mood E. No change required

9. I

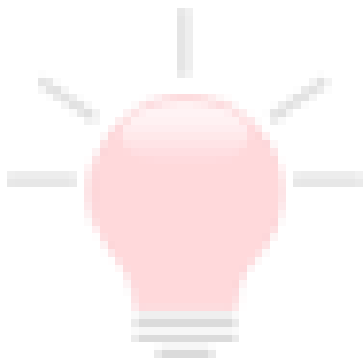


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A. go B. agenda C. rise D. track E. No change required

10. J

A. advanced B. deprived C. favored D. privileged E. No change required



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Correct Answers:

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

Explanations:

1.

The passage talks about two types of features- one is basic, which is for free and the others are paid. Thus, the paid features are the added ones over the basic features.

'detracted' means less or subtracted.

Thus, option E is incorrect as the bold word is inappropriately used.

Only option D 'additional' fits here grammatically and contextually.

Hence **option D** is correct.

2.

The sentence conveys information about the mail tracking functions of the software.

Tract means *an area* and is of no relevance here.

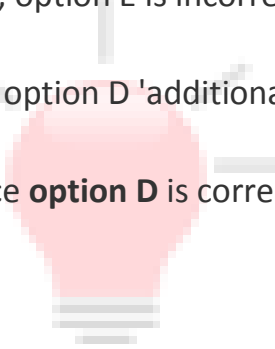
An Apple of my eye is an idiom which means one's *beloved*.

A bird's eye view means *an overall view from above*.

An eye catcher refers to someone who is *attractive*.

Out of all the given options, only the idiom *Keep an eye suits* the context.

Hence **option B** is correct.



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3.

In the first instance means *initially*.

A quick glance is a noun phrase that *means a quick look at something*. Usage of it in place of the bold phrase would be ungrammatical and hence can be eliminated.

Looking through means *while searching for something*. This too is a weak choice as a replacement for the bold phrase.

A first look is a noun phrase and would be absurd in the context too.

Clearly, only option A fits in well here.

Hence **option A** is correct.

4.

The sentence conveys a certain amount of curiosity about the mails being read by the recipient or not.

Wandered means *to roam here and there*, which is incorrect here.

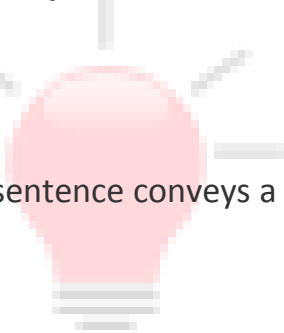
Roaming means *to move from one place to another*.

Wondered means *to give a thought or to think about something*.

Did is absolutely irrelevant in the context of the passage.

Only option B fits in well both contextually as well as grammatically.

Hence **option B** is correct.



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5.

The sentence here talks about entrepreneurs spotting and working on an opportunity. Here, the need for tracking the status of mails gave birth to the innovative tracking features.

Stunt means *trick* and is irrelevant.

The best fit here is option D- *capitalize* which means to take *advantage of a situation*.

Hence **option D** is correct.

6.

The original word *embedded* is contextually correct but grammatically incorrect. The word is in the past tense while the rest of the sentence is in present tense.

Thus logically, option A *embeds* is the best available option.

Hence **option A** is correct.

7.

The original word *sluggishly* means in a *slow manner*, which is contradicting the rest of the sentence and is thus incorrect.

Adversely means *unfavourably*.

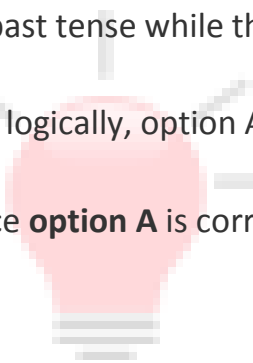
At doorstep means *very near to where one lives* and thus is irrelevant.

By leaps and bounds means *with startlingly rapid progress*.

Slowdown means *to decline gradually*.

Out of all the options, option C is the best fit.

Hence **option C** is correct.



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8.

The word nuances which means *a very slight difference or variation*, is appropriately used and no other options fit in as well.

Hence **option E** is correct.

9.

From the passage, we can see that the risk to developing nations is huge. This can only be true if the number of cyber attacks are on an increase. Hence, *slump* is incorrect as it means *to slow down*.

The only option that fits is option C; *rise*.

Hence **option C** is correct.

10.

The word expertise means skill or knowledge and does not fit in with the sentence at all. Also, the blank needs to be filled with an *adjective*, whereas *expertise* is a *noun*.

Deprived which means *lacking a specified benefit that is considered important* renders the sentence a meaning that is opposite to the given context and is incorrect.

Similarly, *privileged* and *favored* are illogical too.

Advanced means *developed or skillful* and is a perfect fit.

Hence, **option A** is correct.



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