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Fill in the blanks Quiz 24

Directions: In each of the questions given below, three sentences are given with a single blank. Select the correct option that fits in with all the three statements logically and grammatically.

1. I. Cab aggregator Uber proposed measures to _____ concerns expressed by the State government over its fare policy, including "self-regulation" of dynamic pricing to minimise impact on riders.
- II. The politician is scheduled to visit the city on July 3 for two days and _____ various public gatherings while in the city.
- III. India's purchases of commercial aircraft and gas from the US would help bridge the trade deficit between the two countries even as they agreed to hold official talks soon to _____ trade and economic irritants between them.

A. Tackle B. Sort C. Talk D. Address E. None of the above

2. I. The State Real Estate Authority has mapped nearly 4,500 projects registered with it under the GIS, enabling citizens find _____ details of homes of their choice on its website.
- II. The Secretary was given detailed instructions, one of which was to _____ the proceedings of every meeting that was to take place the following day.
- III. European Union leaders took hardly a _____ to unite over a warning to Britain's prime minister that she risked a disorderly British exit from the bloc unless she broke the months of political deadlock and made "realistic" proposals.

A. Small B. Minute C. Record D. Time E. None of the above

3. I. When news began circulating of an imminent acquisition deal between the two companies during Cannes Lions, both _____, noting that rumors abound at the event.
- II. People from the US administration have visited India and demanded that it should send a "signal" by privatising the State Bank of India but the Indian government _____, fearing a backlash of people's anger.
- III. I saw a stunning selection of delicacies and was tempted to try them but they were all made of meat, so I _____.

A. Demure B. Demurred C. Demurrage D. Demur E. None of the above

4. I. Even to the most _____ optimist, the G7 summit in Quebec earlier this month was proof that the geopolitical West is breaking up and losing its global significance

II. Malaysia's former Prime Minister has become an _____ user of Facebook in recent weeks, using the social network to defend himself from allegations of corruption linked to the MDB fund.

III. An _____ romantic, the author talks of the city in the same terms you would use to describe an intimate relationship.

A. Invidious B. Inveterate C. Inverted D. invertebrate E. None of the above

5. I. Severe loss of blood in any minor injury is an _____ that the patient is suffering from some kind of blood disease.

II. This may be a courtesy visit but it is an _____ that the relation between the brothers is improving.

III. The situation in Syria is fast worsening since there is no _____ that either the government or the opposition is ready to cede ground.

A. Dedication B. Sign C. Interpretation D. Indication E. None of the above

6. I. With the end of the Cold War, the centre of global power _____ from Soviet Russia to the USA and Europe.

II. Though he came to the meeting, he was not at ease and his gaze _____ from one place to another throughout the meeting.

III. They have _____ to their new flat long back without intimating anybody.

A. Transferred B. Shifted C. Moved D. Transcended E. None of the above

7. I. The Income Tax Department raided the house of the politician in order to _____ all the ill-amassed wealth.

II. The last step of her dance performance was enough to _____ the attention of the producers.

III. It is very important to _____ any opportunity in life since chance once lost is lost forever.

A. Attract B. Utilize C. Seize D. Abide E. None of the above

8. I. Once you explain the situation to your teacher, she might _____ your failing grade and give you another opportunity.
 II. You can apologize and _____ your hurtful words, but I'll still feel the pain.
 III. After being sued, the magazine was forced to _____ the fictitious article.
- A. Cancel B. Withdraw C. Revoke D. Retract E. Nullify
9. I. Since she never wears shoes, it was _____ that she would get a piece of glass in her foot.
 II. The changing of the seasons is an _____ aspect of the Earth's climate.
 III. When the misbehaving twins get together, trouble is _____ and bound to happen.
- A. Certain B. Inevitable C. Essentially D. Avoidable E. Fated
10. I. The matter was considered morally dubious but also expedient given the circumstances and therefore, the government decided to go for it in a covert manner.
 II. In the letter, the Prime Minister explained that implementing a budget of \$10 million for the upcoming fiscal would be extremely challenging and hence did not consider it _____, to increase the same to accommodate the extra funds needed for the 2019 general elections.
 III. Being well aware of the importance of leadership skills, the institute deemed it _____ to include academic leadership as a separate subject beginning from the next session.
- A. Expeditious B. Expedient C. Expedition D. Exposition E. None of the above

Correct Answers:

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

Explanations :

1. *Tackle* and *sort* do not fit in statement II while *talk* does not fit in either I or III.

Address fits in all the statements. It refers to:

- I. A formal speech delivered to an audience and
 II. To deal with an issue or problem

Hence, option D fits well in all the blanks.

2. *Small* does not fit in II and III.

Record does not fit in I and III.

Time does not fit in any of the statements.

Only *Minute* fits in. It refers to:

- I. Extremely small
- II. Record/take notes
- III. Time

Hence, option B is correct.

3. *Demure* refers to someone who is *reserved, modest, and shy*.

Demurrage refers to a charge payable to the owner of a chartered ship on failure to load or discharge the ship within the time agreed. Clearly, this fits in nowhere in any of the statements.

Demur means to *raise objections or show reluctance*. The word fits in all the statements but is incorrect in terms of the tense. The correct form would be *demurred*.

Hence, option B is correct.

4. *Invidious* refers to an action *likely to arouse or incur resentment or anger in others*. *Inverted* means upside down/inside out and is absurd here.

Invertebrate is used to refer to animals lacking a backbone.

Inveterate means *having a particular habit, activity, or interest that is long-established and unlikely to change*. Clearly, this is the only word that fits in all the statements.

Hence, option B is correct.

5. *Dedication* does not fit in any of the sentences.

Sign does not fit in either I or II.

Interpretation is not correct for any of the statements.

Indication fits in all the statements:

- I. Symptom of any disease
- II. The marking of a new beginning or chapter in any relationship
- III. Signal for something

Hence, Option D fits well in all the blanks.

6. *Transferred* does not fit in either II or III.

Moved does not fit in statement I.

Transcended does not fit in any of the statements.

Shifted is the correct word for all the statements:

I. The change in power

II. Moved

III. Changed to the new address

Hence, Option B fits well in all the blanks and is the correct choice.

7. *Attract* does not fit in statements I and III

Utilize is not correct for statements I and II

Abide is not correct for any of the statements.

Seize fits well in all the statements:

I. To catch hold of

II. Catch the eye of or attract the attention of

III. Take an opportunity eagerly and decisively

So, Option C is the correct choice among the given options.

8. *Cancel*, *withdraw* and *revoke* do not fit in the second sentence and can be eliminated

Nullify means to make legally null and void and does not fit into any of the sentences.

Retract fits in all the three sentences. *It means:*

I. *draw or be drawn back or back in.*

II. *withdraw (a statement or accusation) as untrue or unjustified.*

Hence option D is the correct answer.

9. *Certain* and *Fated* do not fit in the second sentence because the blank is preceded by the article 'an' necessitating the use of a vowel in the blank.

Essentially is an adverb while we need an adjective in the blank. This is incorrect.

Avoidable is incorrect as it is opposite of what is contextually correct.

Inevitable fits in all the sentences. It means: *incapable of being avoided or evaded.*

Hence option B is the correct answer.

10. *Expeditious means: done with speed and efficiency. It fits nowhere in the statements.*

Expedition: a journey undertaken by a group of people with a particular purpose, especially that of exploration, research, or war. It fits nowhere in the statements.

Exposition means: a comprehensive description and explanation of an idea or theory. It fits nowhere in the statements.

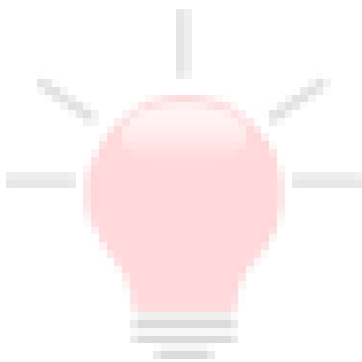
Expedient means:

I. convenient and practical although possibly improper or immoral.

II. suitable or appropriate.

Statement I corresponds to meaning I mentioned above while II and III go with the second meaning provided above. Hence, this is the correct word.

Hence option B is the correct answer.



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