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# Fill in The Blanks Questions for IBPS PO Pre, IBPS SO Pre, IBPS Clerk, LIC AAO, SBI Clerk Pre, SBI PO Pre and SBI Clerk exams

## Fill in the blanks quiz 31

Directions: The following question has two blanks, each blank indicating that something has been omitted. Choose the set of words for each blank that best fits in the context of the sentence.

1. Given the history and the demands of domestic politics, particularly in Pakistan, the two countries are unlikely to present a \_\_\_\_\_ of neighbourly \_\_\_\_\_ .

- A. photo, conversation                      B. gift, talks                                      C. picture, cooperation  
D. diary, coordination                      E. bag, cohabitation

2. In mature economies, central banks accept corporate bonds as \_\_\_\_\_ for their liquidity management operations, so as to purposefully \_\_\_\_\_ the bond market.

- A. security, undermine                      B. collateral, develop                      C. woeful, work  
D. insurance, accentuate                      E. baggage, strengthen

3. Local bodies \_\_\_\_\_ under rules to ensure segregation, collection and transfer of waste to registered recyclers have \_\_\_\_\_ failed to fulfill their responsibilities.

- A. authorized, enormous                      B. mandated, spectacularly                      C. ruled, dared  
D. delegated, great                      E. deviated, scarcely

4. They said that trade ministers of both countries would meet at an early date and sort out contentious issues relating to market access, trade \_\_\_\_\_ and trade \_\_\_\_\_ .

- A. blockages, smoothness                      B. fairs, events                                      C. barriers, imbalance  
D. projects, assignments                      E. insecurities, consulates

5. Millions of \_\_\_\_\_ will keep moving to towns from the hinterland to seek better \_\_\_\_\_ .

- A. migrants, opportunities                      B. immigrants, chances                      C. emigrants, breaks  
D. men, views                      E. women, lives

6. While all these forms exist in India, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ content are gaining steam, leading to the possibility of potential violence and impacting society.

- A. fabricated, manipulated      B. irrelevant, useless      C. joyous, exalted  
D. unnecessary, neutral      E. dangerous, exuberant

7. While predatory journals are not a uniquely Indian problem, the problem appears to be more grave here, and has possibly been aggravated by the UGC's policy of \_\_\_\_\_ recommendations for \_\_\_\_\_ of journals in its approved list.

- A. seeking, exclusion      B. denying, publishing      C. soliciting, inclusion  
D. facing, projection      E. handing, seeking

8. While media researchers around the world are \_\_\_\_\_ the fake news scene, little \_\_\_\_\_ information is available on the creators and the intention behind it.

- A. investigating, credible      B. innovating, sound      C. instigating, genuine  
D. obscuring, relevant      E. obliterating, believable

9. Global \_\_\_\_\_ effort is essential to addressing \_\_\_\_\_ such as climate change, and delivering on the promise of technology.

- A. important, views      B. economic, harmful      C. wonderful, things  
D. cooperative, challenges      E. prevention, wrongs

10. South Korea is another example where state-owned banks have \_\_\_\_\_ chaebols, rather than \_\_\_\_\_ to political pressure.

- A. chastened, wading      B. wanted, surrendering      C. disciplined, capitulating  
D. wrought, ceding      E. controlled, admonishing

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**Correct answers:**

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

**Explanations:**

1. In the context of the sentence, the only appropriate combination of words is that of "picture" and "cooperation". This makes the sentence meaningfully correct. All other options are either grammatically or contextually incorrect. Therefore, options A, B, D and E are eliminated. The sentence means that there is very little possibility that the two countries would be able to have friendly relations because of their history and the demands of domestic politics.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

2. The sentence conveys that in mature countries bonds are accepted as 'guarantee' for their liquidity management operations. In the context of the sentence, the words which are suitable for the first blank are "security", "collateral" and "insurance". Hence options C and E are eliminated.

The word "purposefully" before the second blank indicates that the central banks have done something with a positive effect. The only word that makes the sentence meaningfully correct is "develop". The word "undermine" has the opposite meaning and "accentuate" is irrelevant to the context of this sentence. This eliminates options A and D as well.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

3. The words "under rules" give us the clue to the first blank. It shows that the local bodies were required by rules to segregate, collect and transfer waste. In the context of the sentence, the word that is suitable for the first blank is "authorized" or "mandated" or "delegated". Hence options C and E are eliminated.

The clue to the second blank lies in the word "failed" after it indicating that the word must express the scale of failure. The only word that aptly conveys this meaning is "spectacularly" expressing that the failure was of a huge scale. The adjectives "enormous" or "great" would have been considered if they were in their adverb form. This eliminates options A and D as well.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

4. According to the sentence, the issues that are to be sorted are "contentious" which means 'causing or likely to cause an argument; controversial'. Both the blanks must

have words with negative tones. In the context of the sentence, the only combination of words that lead to a meaningful sentence is "barriers" and "imbalance". All other options are incorrect either contextually or grammatically.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

5. In the context of the sentence, the possible word that can fit the first blank is "migrants" or "immigrants" or "emigrants" but each of the three words has very specific meanings that are distinct from one another. "Emigrant" refers to a person who leaves one's country to live in another. "Immigrant" is a person who comes into another country to live permanently. "Migrant" is a person who moves from one region to another. In fact, 'migrate' is the root word of 'emigrate' and 'immigrate'. However, the sentence refers to the movement from rural areas to urban areas in search of a better livelihood, which further confirms the combination of "migrants" and "opportunities" to be the correct choice.

Option A is hence the correct answer.

6. The blanks refer to the type of content that is spreading rapidly and is "leading to the possibility of potential violence". This indicates that the adjectives describing this type of content must be strongly negative.

In the context of the sentence, the only combination of words that lead to a meaningful sentence is "fabricated" and "manipulated". All other combinations are incorrect either contextually or grammatically as both the words need to be strongly negative.

Option A is hence the correct answer.

7. From the given sentence, we can infer that the problem has been made worse by UGC's policy of asking for recommendations. In the context of the sentence, the words that are suitable for the first blank are "seeking" and "soliciting". Hence options B, D and E are eliminated.

For the second blank, we can infer that the aforementioned recommendations were sought for the addition of journals in the whitelist. The only word that aptly conveys this meaning is "inclusion". The word "exclusion" means the opposite and this eliminates options A as well.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

8. In the context of the sentence, the only combination of words that lead to a meaningful sentence is "investigating" and "credible". All other options are incorrect either contextually or grammatically. Therefore, options B, C, D and E are eliminated. The sentence conveys that despite media researchers trying to inspect the fake news

scenario, no reliable information has been found regarding those who have generated the false information.

Option A is hence the correct answer.

9. In the context of the sentence, the only combination of words that lead to a meaningful sentence is "cooperative" and "challenges". All other options are incorrect either contextually or grammatically. The sentence wants to convey that it is essential for all the countries in the world to unite in order to address issues such as climate change and developing relevant technology.

Option D is hence the correct answer.

10. "Chaebols" are large family-owned business conglomerates in South Korea. The use of "rather than" helps us to decipher the meaning of the sentence. The given sentence wants to convey that state-owned banks in south Korea have been able to take necessary actions against business conglomerates and have not succumbed to political pressure.

In the context of the sentence, the words which are suitable for the first blank are "chastened", "disciplined" and "controlled". Hence options B and D are eliminated.

As for the second blank, the only word that makes the sentence meaningfully correct is "capitulating" which means 'ceasing to resist an opponent or an unwelcome demand; yielding'. The words "wading" and "admonishing" are irrelevant to the context of this sentence. This eliminates options A and E as well.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

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