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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 33

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. The traditional practices of yoga lay great \_\_\_\_\_ on the importance of \_\_\_\_\_ in the form of pranayama.

- A. emphasis, breathing      B. stress, exercise      C. faith, controlling  
D. motion, body      E. strength, games

2. The water availability of a region or nation is largely \_\_\_\_\_ by hydro-meteorological and geological factors, and the \_\_\_\_\_ availability from annual precipitation is well above our requirement.

- A. decided, freight      B. determined, utilizable      C. witnessed, lessened  
D. governed, qualitative      E. branded, sluggish

3. What the ruling by the International Court of Justice \_\_\_\_\_, is that should Pakistan decide to retry Jadhav, the Indian naval officer will be properly \_\_\_\_\_ by Indian counsel.

- A. enacts, guided      B. explains, ingrained      C. guarantees, represented  
D. enshrines, represented      E. means, feared

4. They fear that any original thinking or non-conformist initiative may attract accusations of \_\_\_\_\_, making PSU managers shun risk and stick to procedures and \_\_\_\_\_ rather than break out boldly in new directions.

- A. transgression, peculiarities      B. malfeasance, precedents      C. excellence, patients  
D. wrongdoing, projects      E. exuberance, patents

5. Insurance law has to be revisited to also ensure that there is a guaranteed \_\_\_\_\_ of policies, that age is no bar for \_\_\_\_\_, and pre-existing conditions are uniformly covered.

- A. renewal, entry      B. relapse, coming      C. review, exit  
D. enhancement, bringing      E. robustness, viewing

6. Additional benefits include \_\_\_\_\_ training cost incurred post recruitment and a \_\_\_\_\_ churn as learners develop more ownership in their roles.

- A. nominal, greater                      B. significant, more                      C. insignificant, higher  
D. minimal, lesser                      E. notorious, fewer

7. Rather than the \_\_\_\_\_ of privatization going to the Consolidated Fund of India, a sovereign wealth fund could be created which is \_\_\_\_\_ managed.

- A. profits, personally                      B. security, sectionally                      C. proceeds, professionally  
D. future, selectively                      E. gains, privately

8. Friends, family and others are much more \_\_\_\_\_ to help when they realize something is important to someone they love, even when they may \_\_\_\_\_ about the facts.

- A. willing, disagree                      B. quilling, accrue                      C. eager, control  
D. nulling, boast                      E. careful, go

9. Ideally, regulation should help stop the manufacture of \_\_\_\_\_ use plastic articles such as carry bags and cutlery, and encourage the use of \_\_\_\_\_ materials.

- A. disposable, degradable                      B. anti, harmful                      C. pro, pure  
D. single, biodegradable                      E. multi, crude

10. Special \_\_\_\_\_ are made for their meals, but officials \_\_\_\_\_ the long working hours without any over time.

- A. proposals, due                      B. parties, view                      C. arrangements, rue  
D. efforts, slew                      E. rules, mew

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**Correct answers:**

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

**Explanations:**

1. "Pranayama" is a 'breathing exercise' whose importance is greatly 'highlighted' by the "traditional practices of yoga" Hence, options C, D and E can be eliminated as they are contextually unfit. The only words that can fit the first blank are either "emphasis" or "stress". For the second blank "breathing" is most appropriate as it specifies the type of exercise that "pranayama" is categorized under. So, it negates the possibility of option B as well.

Option A is hence the correct answer.

2. The first blank intends to convey that "water availability" is largely 'dependent' on "hydro-meteorological and geological factors" . In the context of the sentence, the words which are suitable for the first blank are "decided", "determined" and "governed". Hence options C and E are eliminated.

The word in the second blank describes the nature of water available from annual precipitation. The only word that makes the sentence meaningfully correct is "utilizable" which means 'usable'. The words "freight" and "qualitative" are irrelevant to the context of this sentence. This eliminates options A and D as well.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

3. In the context of the sentence, the only appropriate combination of words is that of "guarantees" and "represented". This makes the sentence meaningfully correct. All other options are either grammatically or contextually incorrect. Therefore, options A, B, D and E are eliminated.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

4. The word "accusations" before the first blank indicates that it is something 'negative' in nature. In the context of the sentence, the words that are suitable for the first blank are "transgression", "malfeasance" and "wrongdoing". Hence options C and E are eliminated.

"Rather than" after the second blank shows that it has to be the opposite of "break out boldly in new directions" ,i.e., 'following standards that have already been set'. The only word that makes the sentence meaningfully correct is "precedents" which means 'an earlier event or action that is regarded as an example or guide to be considered in

subsequent similar circumstances'. The words "peculiarities" and "projects" are irrelevant to the context of this sentence. This eliminates options A and D as well.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

5. In the context of the sentence, the only combination of words that lead to a meaningful sentence is "renewal" and "entry". All other options are incorrect either contextually or grammatically. The sentence wants to convey that insurance policies should be renewed compulsorily and that there should be no age restriction.

Option A is hence the correct answer.

6. Both the blanks state the "additional benefits.

"Training cost" after the first blank indicates that the cost should be 'negligible' in order for this to be a benefit. In the context of the sentence, the words which are suitable for the first blank are "nominal", "insignificant" and "minimal". Hence options B and E are eliminated.

The second blank states the type of churn. Employee churn is the overall turnover in an organization's staff as existing employees leave and new ones are hired. Churn should be 'low' in order for this to be a benefit.

So for the second blank, the only word that makes the sentence meaningfully correct is "lesser". The words "greater" and "higher" are opposite to the context of this sentence. This eliminates options A and C as well.

Option D is hence the correct answer.

7. The word "fund" indicates that the word in the first blank refers to a word indicating 'monetary returns' of privatization. In the context of the sentence, the words which are suitable for the first blank are "profits", "proceeds" and "gains". Hence options B and D are eliminated.

Since the sentence speaks of an alternative to the national level "Consolidated Fund of India", it makes no sense to manage it "personally" or "privately". This eliminates options A and E as well. The only word that makes the sentence meaningfully correct is "professionally".

Option C is hence the correct answer.

8. In the context of the sentence, either of the words "willing" or "eager" can fit the first blank and this eliminates options B, D and E. Further, as the sentence is trying to convey that friends and family are more likely to help out a loved one in spite of the fact that they themselves might not believe in the cause, "disagree" is the most appropriate choice for the second blank. Thus, option C gets eliminated as well.

Option A is hence the correct answer.

9. In the context of the sentence, "single" or "disposable" can fit the first blank and this eliminates options B, C and E. For the second blank, there is confusion between "biodegradable" and "degradable". The two have similar meanings but there is a distinct difference between the two words.

"Degradable" items don't have living organisms as a crucial part of the breakdown process. Degradable bags cannot be classed as biodegradable or compostable. Unlike "biodegradable" products, degradable plastic items can break down only in anaerobic environments like landfills. Additionally, degradable products do not break down completely and turn into organic material; instead they break apart into microscopic pieces which can still affect the environment. Hence "biodegradable" is the most appropriate choice for the second blank. Thus, option A gets eliminated as well.

Option D is hence the correct answer.

10. The sentence tries to convey that in spite of making special provisions for their meals, the officials lament the long working hours without extra payment. In the context of the sentence, the only appropriate combination of words is that of "arrangements" and "rue". All other options are either grammatically or contextually incorrect. Therefore, options A, B, D and E are eliminated.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

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