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Fill in the blanks quiz 4

Directions: In the given statements, a blank has been given. This needs to be filled up using the correct combination of words from the options mentioned, so that the resulting statement is grammatically and contextually correct.

1. Bangladesh delayed the start of the planned repatriation of Rohingya refugees to Myanmar, _____ that it had not compiled a list of those ready to return.

I. On thin ice

II. On the grounds

III. For the reason

A. Only II B. Only I and II C. Only I and III D. Only II and III E. None of the above

2. America's government was briefly _____ after Democrats and Republicans failed to agree on a spending bill.

I. Turned off

II. Shut down

III. Shut Out

A. Only I B. Only II C. Only I and III D. Only II and III E. None of the above

3. These approaches are not _____ to most business systems because they don't have clearly defined outcomes and they deal with far too many variables.

I. Applicable

II. Pertinent

III. Validate

A. Only II B. Only III C. Only I and II D. Only II and III E. All of the above

4. The new opportunities for Indian IT will _____ retraining of hundreds of thousands of engineers and establishment of new consulting practices.

I. Entail

II. Involve

III. Necessitate

A. Only I B. Only III C. Only I and II D. Only II and III E. All of the above

5. Strategic defaulters may _____ up to 40 percent of nonperforming loans, against an original estimate of 15 percent, which was revised to 25 percent at the end of 2017.

I. Account for

II. Add up

III. Back down

A. Only I B. Only II C. Only II and III D. Only I and II E. All of the above

6. The _____ most noteworthy global financial and economic event of 2017 was the _____ rise of bitcoin.

I. Stratospheric

II. Prosaic

III. Phenomenal

A. Only II B. Only I and II C. Only II and III D. Only I and III E. All of the above

7. The anti-dumping law provides the US businesses with an internationally accepted mechanism to seek relief from the _____ effects of unfair pricing of imports into the US.

I. Harmful

II. Adversely

III. Favourable

- A. Only I B. Only III C. Only I and II D. Only II and III E. None of the above

8. India's labour-intensive industries are languishing with exports of these industries showing _____ growth.

I. Dizzying

II. Tepid

III. Weak

- A. Only III B. Only I C. Only I and II D. Only II and III E. All of the above

9. Companies _____ from paying a dividend when they feel the need to conserve cash.

I. Avoid

II. Refrain

III. Abstain

- A. Only I B. Only III C. Only II and III D. Only I and II E. All of the above

10. The mandate of the Election Commission is to _____ free and fair elections, by providing a level playing field in an atmosphere without fear.

I. Conduct

II. Serve

III. Organize

- A. Only II B. Only III C. Only I and III D. Only I and II E. All of the above





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Correct Answers:

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

Explanations:

1.

I. On thin ice refers to being in the danger zone and if you make another mistake, there will be trouble. This is absurd in context of the sentence is incorrect.

Both on the grounds and for the reason mean the same. Both convey the correct meaning of the statement and are correct.

Only II and III are correct.

Hence, option D is correct.

2.

Here, the statement talks about the government briefly coming to a stop.

I. Turned off refers to stop a piece of equipment working temporarily by pressing a button or by moving a switch. Here, the government cannot be turned off as if it were an equipment and thus, this is incorrect.

II. Shut down means to stop and is correct.

III. Shut out means to exclude someone from something and is irrelevant here.

Hence, option B is correct.

3.

Applicable and pertinent both mean relevant/appropriate and are correct.

Validate is a verb while as per the sentence structure, the blank needs an adjective. Hence, this is incorrect.

Hence, option C is correct.

4.

All of the words are synonyms and mean need/require. All of them fit in well grammatically too and are correct.

Hence, option E is correct.

5.

I. Account for means 'to explain, give a reason'.

Example: I hope you can account for the time you were out!

This fits in contextually and grammatically.

II. Add up means 'to make sense, seem reasonable'.

Example: The facts in the case just don't add up.

Up will be used twice if put in the blank. Also, in terms of the meaning, add up does not fit in.

III. Back down means 'retract or withdraw your position or proposal in an argument'.

Example: She refused to back down and was fired as a result.

This is clearly incorrect.

Only I is correct.

Hence, option A is correct.

6.

The statement's tone is positive here. Both stratospheric and phenomenal depict the huge rise in bitcoin in 2017. Prosaic on the other hand means unremarkable/ mundane and is opposite of what is needed.

Hence, option D is correct.

7.

By the tone of the statement, the word in the blank has to be negative. This eliminates III-favourable.

Adversely is incorrect as the grammatically correct form of the word would be adverse here which means harmful. The blank needs an adjective.

Harmful fits in well and is the correct option.

Hence, option A is correct.

8.

As per the statement, India's labour-intensive industries are faltering and not performing so well. Hence, the blank needs to be filled up with a negative word. This eliminates dizzying which means fast.

Tepid means weak and is correct.

Week is incorrect as it refers to a time span. The correct word here would be weak.

Hence, option B is correct.

9.

Avoid is correct in terms of meaning but incorrect grammatically. Avoid here should be followed by paying directly without the word from in between. Hence, this is incorrect.

Both refrain and abstain are synonyms and also correct grammatically.

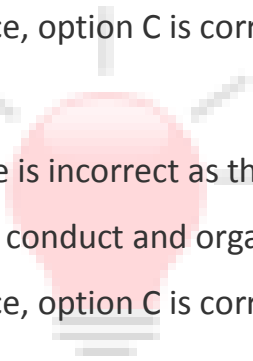
Hence, option C is correct.

10.

Serve is incorrect as the idea of the EC serving elections is absurd.

Both conduct and organize are correct.

Hence, option C is correct.





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