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Fill in the blanks Quiz 40

Directions: In the following questions, a sentence is given with two blanks. You have to find the pair of words from the given options that fit both the blanks in the given order and make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.

1. Congress leaders stress that this manifesto _____ the needs and _____ of the marginalised sections of society.

- A. covers, inspirations B. includes, requirements C. addresses, aspirations D. indicates, qualities
E. None of the above

2. It is now important for the central bank to _____ that the discipline in the system does not _____.

- A. command, wrecked B. notice, week C. maintain, exist D. ensure, slacken
E. None of the above

3. It is possible that this piece of _____ is likely to be used against him by his electoral _____.

- A. advice, clans B. information, rivals C. garbage, opponents D. paper, allies
E. None of the above

4. The _____ for farm loan waivers has been growing, but this measure alone cannot be a _____ solution to mounting agrarian distress.

- A. slogans, fixed B. demand, efficient C. clamour, permanent D. areas, onetime
E. request, sure

5. While the practice _____ food security it does not _____ adequate cash for the families.

- A. assure, retain B. provide, demand C. allows, require D. ensures, provide
E. improves, outsource

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6. The terrorists wanted to _____ communal tensions and _____ Sri Lanka's fragile ethno-religious matrix.

- A. stoke, exploit B. fuel, enhance C. regret, helps D. stop, provide
E. improves, outsource

7. In her, the _____ Gujarat riots have forged an iron spirit that will _____ other embattled women to fight for justice.

- A. emotional, change B. ancient, intend C. horrific, inspire D. terrified, motive
E. violent, assure

8. The Supreme Court's order to _____ and close 27 resorts operating in corridors used by elephants in the Nilgiris is a necessary step to _____ the ecology of these spaces.

- A. cover, recover B. seal, restore C. block, respect D. aid, replace
E. support, reinstate

9. The internet user base in the country has now _____ over half-a-billion, primarily led by the rapid _____ of smartphones and decreasing mobile data prices.

- A. peaked, adaptation B. crossed, rise C. reached, adoption D. touched, use
E. placed, requirement

10. China _____ its arrival in the private sector space race last week, as OneSpace became the first Chinese company to launch a small rocket—its first step towards sending _____ small satellites in space.

- A. Portrayed, smooth B. Colored, some C. Marked, numerous D. Dealt, more
E. None of the above

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Correct Answers:

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

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Explanations:

1. First word of all the options could fit the first blank grammatically as well as contextually, but the second word makes a difference here.

In option A, 'inspirations' seems contextually incorrect.

In option B, 'requirements' is redundant as it means the same as "needs".

In option C, 'aspirations' absolutely fits the context as well grammar. Aspiration is different from 'need' in a way that "need" refers to the necessities of an individual whereas 'aspiration' is more about luxurious desires of an individual.

Hence option C is correct.

2. In option A, "wrecked" is grammatically incorrect because it uses the past participle form of verb as well as does not fit the context.

In option B, week is contextually incorrect.

In option C, "exist" is exactly opposite to what is being required. RBI is a governing authority and it would try to maintain discipline rather than removing it.

Both the words of option D suit the context as well as fulfill the grammar rules.

Hence option D is correct.

3. Clans means group of kin, which is simply not related to the context. Thus option A is eliminated.

Any information can be misused by the opponents only, thus both the words of option B absolutely fit to the blanks.

In option C, garbage is completely wrong.

In option D, allies is just opposite to the context, allies means friends, which will not do anything against him.

Hence option B is correct.

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4. Option A- Slogans is not correct to be used in the first blank, as how come slogans grow? Moreover, it would grammatically be incorrect as with singular verb “has”, singular subject is needed here.

Option B – Efficient is grammatically wrong as it cannot be preceded by the vowel 'a' as 'Efficient' starts with a vowel sound.

Option C- Both the words fit the blank absolutely.

'Clamour' means 'A strongly expressed protest or demand from a large number of people'.

Hence option C is correct.

5. Option A – “Assure” is grammatically incorrect, With singular subject verb should also be singular.

Option B – Due to the above mentioned reason “Provide” is also incorrect.

Option C – “Allows” does not fit in the first blank as it brings absurdity to the context of the sentence.

Option D- Both the words are grammatically as well as contextually correct.

Hence option D is correct.

6. It is very obvious that terrorist would do something negative. Thus both the words should be negative in nature.

Option A – Both the words absolutely fit the blanks.

Option B – 'Enhance' does not fill in the second blank appropriately.

Option C - Neither of the words fill in its respective blank appropriately.

Option D - The first word 'Stop' is exactly opposite to what's intended in the sentence as terrorists do not want to stop communal tensions.

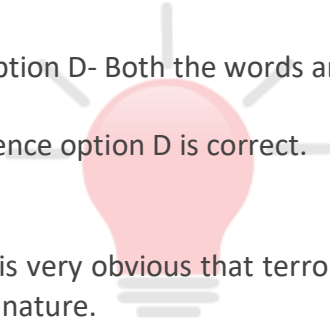
Option E - The first word 'improves' is ungrammatical in the sentence.

Hence option A is correct.

7. A strong spirit always motivates others, thus the second blank must have words like motivate, inspire, etc.

This makes option C the correct choice.

Hence option C is correct.



8. Cover does not fit in contextually in the first blank as it does not render meaning to the sentence. The sentence talks about Supreme Court's order relating to area used by elephants. Hence, option A is eliminated.

Block does not fit in contextually in the first blank as it does not render meaning to the sentence. Block cannot be coupled with Close in the sentence. Hence, option C is eliminated.

Aid and Support carry positive meaning and they cannot be used with Close. Hence, option D and E are eliminated.

Hence, option B is the answer.

9. Adaptation does not fit in contextually as the sentence talks about the expansion of user base of internet because of greater use of smartphones in India. Hence, option A is eliminated.

Rise does not fit in contextually as it does not talk about rise in the number of users. Hence, option B is eliminated.

Again, 'Use' does not fit in contextually as rapid use of Smartphone does not mean greater number of Smartphone users. Hence, option D is eliminated.

Placed does not fit in contextually as it does not render meaning to the sentence. Hence, option E is eliminated.

Hence, option C is the answer.

10. *Dealt* and *coloured* do not make sense in the first blank and are incorrect. Thus, options B and D can be eliminated.

Out of options A and C, A is the only option where both words fit both the blanks respectively.

Hence, option C is correct.

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