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# Sentence Connector Questions for IBPS PO Pre, RRB Scale I Pre, SBI PO Pre, Canara Bank PO, RBI Grade B, Syndicate Bank PO, IBPS SO Pre, IBPS Clerk Mains and SBI Clerk Mains Exams.

## Sentence Connector Quiz 22

Directions: A word given in bold is followed by I, II and III, each of which consists of two sentences. You need to identify the options where the given word can be used as a connector to combine the two statements into a single one while maintaining the meaning and coherence of the sentence.

### Questions:

#### 1. **Although**

I. The hurricanes this fall are making it hard to determine just how good it has been. Job growth has been moderately good.

II. The country's productivity growth rate is high. The capital stock growth is slowing due to reining in production capacity and investment.

III. The party voters that Fernandes aims to court are in favor of protectionist policies for French companies. Many of its main figures are liberal in economic terms.

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

#### 2. **Notwithstanding**

I. The country's external position remains precarious. There is a long list of requests for outstanding foreign currency payments for imports of over \$700 million.

II. The resurgence of inflation in the economy is severely threatening the security of households. Real incomes have dramatically fallen in the last 12 months.

III. Increasing the GDP should be the nation's prime strategic objective. There will be side effects this same growth might have on the present and future quality of life of its citizens.

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

### 3. Conversely

I. Major trading powers treat China as a non-market economy. Major trading powers would insist on ascertaining the value of goods with reference to prices in a third country to ensure that domestic firms do not gain an unfair trade advantage.

II. India's top 1 per cent now hold 58 per cent of the country's total wealth according to an Oxfam study. Inequity does not augur well as it is as much a global concern as illicit wealth.

III. When the night skies are cloudy, the blanket of clouds prevents the terrestrial radiation from the earth's surface to escape into the atmosphere, which warms up the night. When day skies are cloudy, it prevents solar radiation from reaching the earth's surface, leading to lower maximum temperature.

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

### 4. Correspondingly

I. Bengaluru's population has touched 1.2 crore. The number of vehicles on Bengaluru's roads have risen to as much as 64 lakh.

II. Concerns have been raised regarding the cryptocurrency markets as there is substantially less investor protection than in our traditional securities markets. There are greater opportunities for fraud and manipulation.

III. The worker takes more money out of the business. The employer has less money to spend to expand the business.

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

### 5. Albeit

I. There is far too much at stake for New Delhi to stand by if the new government in Nepal which is clearly pro-China, starts playing Beijing's game in an Indian sphere of influence. It could do so by citing national interest as a cover for ideological affinity.

II. The share of unbranded sales may witness a downtrend. This will happen even if slowly as a large percentage of aspirational consumers are no longer averse to the idea of opting for pricier and better quality product variants.

III. China planning refugee camps on Korean border is an unusual occurrence. It looks like a tacit admission by China regarding instability in North Korea being increasingly likely.

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

**6. Unless**

I. Prosperity in the country was not possible. Human rights issues also could not be implemented.

II. Unemployment rate among young people aged between 15 and 24 has hit an alarming 63 per cent. As the government grapples with the bloated wage bill.

III. In developed economies, the data protection laws do not allow universities to disclose private credentials of students to third parties. The students do not explicitly ask them to make the disclosure.

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

**7. Even with**

I. It is almost impossible to defeat a militia that is well entrenched in a civilian population. If one has the most sophisticated weapons.

II. Beijing may still have peace of mind as Pyongyang remains as its ideological ally. It has a nuclear-armed North Korea on its doorstep.

III. Manipuri sportspersons face a lot of inconvenience; they managed to perform exceedingly well bringing laurels for India.

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

**8. Thereafter**

I. A well known private hospital handed over a dead infant. The infant was later discovered to be still alive.

II. The Indian Met Department does not see a major change in conditions for the next two to three days. It sees a drop by 2-4 deg Celsius in minimum temperatures after that.

III. In March, FPIs pumped in nearly Rs 31,000 crore. This inflow continued till July but the pace of capital infusion slowed down.

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

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**9. Moreover**

- I. Bond prices fall due to the selling pressure. The yields will spike due to the inverse relationship between price and interest rates.
- II. Borrowing costs of Indian companies that have raised funds from international markets will go up. The value of dollar-denominated debt will jump.
- III. As India started easing interest rates and the US started hiking its rates, the interest rate differential is narrowing fast which impacts the speculative money coming into the domestic financial markets. Reversing foreign inflows will create an upward pressure on domestic interest rates that will affect new projects.

- A. Only III
- B. Only I
- C. Only I and II
- D. Only II and III
- E. Only I and III



**10. Thereupon**

- I. On August 14, 1945 Imperial Japan unconditionally surrendered. World War II ended with a bang -- two of them, actually, Hiroshima and Nagasaki.
- II. An expert committee, constituted to consider requests for treatment gave its recommendations. The Centre earmarked Rs 100 crore towards central assistance to states for the treatment of rare and genetic diseases.
- III. Non-polluting industries termed as 'White' and 'Green' only need a self-certification to start business in Kerala. In case of violations the penalty will be high.

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

**Correct Answers:**

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
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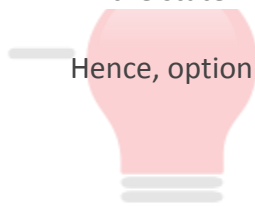
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## Explanations:

1. The use of *Although* indicates that the two fragments of sentences should be contradictory to each other. Putting *although* in each of the statements we see:
  - I. Although job growth has been moderately good, the hurricanes this fall are making it hard to determine just how good- This is correct grammatically and contextually.
  - II. Although the country's productivity growth rate is high, its capital stock growth is slowing as it reins in production capacity and investment- This is correct grammatically and contextually.
  - III. Although many of its main figures are liberal in economic terms, the party voters that Fernandes aims to court are in favor of protectionist policies for French companies- This is correct grammatically and contextually.

All the statements are correct.

Hence, option D is correct.



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2. Notwithstanding means in spite of/even though. Putting *notwithstanding* in each of the statements we see:
  - I. *Notwithstanding* a long list of requests for outstanding foreign currency payments for imports of over \$700 million, the country's external position remains precarious- This is incorrect. Both the statements convey the same points whereas they need to be contradicting in nature in order to use *notwithstanding*.
  - II. *Notwithstanding* that real incomes have dramatically fallen in the last 12 months, the resurgence of inflation in the economy is severely threatening the security of households- Again, both the statements need to be contradicting each other whereas they supplement each other. Hence, this is incorrect.
  - III. Increasing its GDP should be the nation's prime strategic objective, *notwithstanding* the side effects this same growth might have on the present and future quality of life of its citizens- This is correct grammatically and contextually.

Hence, option B is correct.

3. *Conversely* means *on the other hand*. Putting *conversely* in each of the statements we see:

I. Major trading powers treat China as a non-market economy and *conversely* they would insist on ascertaining the value of goods with reference to prices in a third country to ensure that domestic firms did not gain an unfair trade advantage- This is incorrect as the correct connector would be *thus/therefore*.

II. India's top 1 per cent now hold 58 per cent of the country's total wealth according to an Oxfam study and *conversely* inequity does not augur well as it is as much a global concern as illicit wealth- This is incorrect as the statement does not make sense.

III. When the night skies are cloudy, the blanket of clouds prevents the terrestrial radiation from the earth's surface to escape into the atmosphere, which warms up the night while *conversely*, when day skies are cloudy, it prevents solar radiation from reaching the earth's surface, leading to lower maximum temperature- This is correct grammatically and contextually.

Hence, option A is correct.



4. I. With Bengaluru's population touching 1.2 crore, the number of vehicles on its roads have correspondingly risen to as much as 64 lakh- This is correct grammatically and contextually.

II. Concerns have been raised regarding the cryptocurrency markets as there is substantially less investor protection than in our traditional securities markets, with correspondingly greater opportunities for fraud and manipulation- This is correct grammatically and contextually.

III. If the worker takes more money out of the business, the employer correspondingly has less money to spend to expand the business- This is correct grammatically and contextually.

Hence, option D is correct.

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5. Albeit refers to although/even if-

I. There is far too much at stake for New Delhi to stand by if the new government in Nepal which is clearly pro-China, starts playing Beijing's game in an Indian sphere of influence, albeit citing national interest as a cover for ideological affinity- This is correct grammatically and contextually.

II. The share of unbranded sales may witness a downtrend, albeit slowly, as a large percentage of aspirational consumers are no longer averse to the idea of opting for pricier and better quality product variants-- This is correct grammatically and contextually.

III. China planning refugee camps on Korean border is an unusual, albeit tacit, admission by China that instability in North Korea is increasingly likely- This is correct grammatically and contextually.

Hence, option E is correct.

6. I. Prosperity in the country was not possible unless issues of human rights also could not be implemented- This does not make sense and is incorrect.

II. Unemployment rate among young people aged between 15 and 24, has hit an alarming 63 per cent unless the government grapples with the bloated wage bill- This does not make sense and is incorrect.

III. In developed economies, the data protection laws do not allow universities to disclose the private credentials of students to third parties unless the students do not explicitly ask them to make the disclosure- This does not make sense and is incorrect. None of the statements are correct.

Hence, option E is correct.

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7. **Even with** means *in spite of* and refers to a *contradicting situation* where something does not go as expected.

I. Even with the most sophisticated weapons, it is all but impossible to defeat a militia that is well entrenched in a civilian population- This is correct contextually and grammatically.

II. Beijing may still have peace of mind even with a nuclear-armed North Korea on its doorstep, as Pyongyang remains as its ideological ally- This is correct contextually and grammatically.

III. *Even with* all the inconvenience faced by Manipuri sportspersons, they managed to perform exceedingly well bringing laurels for *India*- This is correct contextually and grammatically.

Hence, all the statements are correct.

Option E is correct.

8. **Thereafter** refers to *after that* or *from then on*.

I. A well known private hospital handed over a dead infant who was thereafter discovered to be still alive- This is correct contextually and grammatically.

II. The Indian Met Department does not see a major change in conditions for the next two to three days but a drop in by 2-4 deg Celsius in minimum temperatures thereafter- This is correct contextually and grammatically.

III. In March, FPIs pumped in nearly Rs 31,000 crore and such inflow continued thereafter till July but the pace of capital infusion slowed down- This is correct contextually and grammatically.

Hence, all the statements are correct.

Option E is correct.

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**9.** **Moreover** means also/ in addition and thus both fragments should supplement each other.

I. Bond prices fall due to the selling pressure and moreover, the yields will spike due to the inverse relationship between price and interest rates- This is absurd as both the fragments are oppose each other. The correct connector would be *however*. Hence, this is incorrect.

II. Borrowing costs of Indian companies that have raised funds from international markets will go up and moreover, the value of dollar-denominated debt will jump- This is incorrect. The second fragment talks about the reason for borrowing costs going up and hence moreover is not suitable here. Instead, the correct connector is *since*. Thus, this is incorrect.

III. As India started easing interest rates and the US started hiking its rates, the interest rate differential is narrowing fast which impacts the speculative money that comes to the domestic financial markets and moreover, reversing foreign inflows will create an upward pressure on domestic interest rates that will affect new projects- This is correct contextually and grammatically.

Hence, only statement III is correct.

Option A is correct.

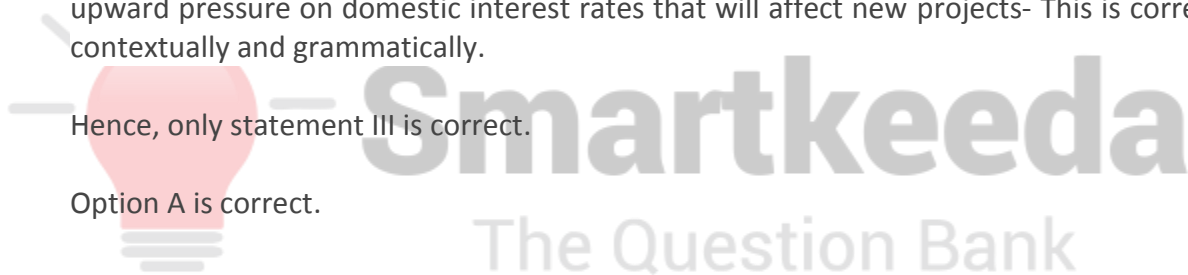
**10.** Thereupon refers to '*at which point*'. It refers to a situation, on the happening of which, another situation follows.

I. World War II ended with a bang -- two of them, actually, Hiroshima and Nagasaki and thereupon, on August 14, 1945 Imperial Japan unconditionally surrendered- This is correct grammatically and contextually.

II. An expert committee, constituted to consider requests for treatment gave its recommendations and thereupon, the Centre earmarked Rs 100 crore towards central assistance to states for the treatment of rare and genetic diseases-This is correct grammatically and contextually.

III. Non-polluting industries termed as 'White' and 'Green' only need a self-certification to start business in Kerala and thereupon in case of violations the penalty will be high- This does not make sense. Here, the correct connector will be *however*.

Thus, option B is correct.





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