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# Sentence Connectors for IBPS Scale I (Mains) Exams.

## Sentence Connectors Quiz 40

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.

### 1. For

I. Zinc helps in natural production of melanin. Night blindness and cataracts are two of the most common implications of zinc deficiency.

II. Heat will break down vitamin C in the pepper, so don't overcook them or eat them raw. They also contain vitamin A.

III. The half-finished structures stand as a tangible reflection of half-realised dreams for labourers. It is the only livelihood they have.

A. I only      B. II only      C. I and II only      D. III only      E. II and III only

### 2. Also

I. The much-needed IgG, starts to appear by day 10, reaching a peak between weeks five and eight and then slowly goes on the decline. IgG acts as the virus neutralisation antibody.

II. The Congress, in its recent election manifestoes, had asked for dismantling APMC. We have abstained from doing so.

III. Genetic engineering could well be the cause of the next pandemic. India needs to be as prepared for this.

A. I only      B. II only      C. I and III only      D. III only      E. II and III only



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### 3. While

I. The true mission of the legislation is the decimation of the local market system. The true mission of the legislation is the abolition of the state/district mandi boards.

II. The government is making it legally possible for farmers to explore the possibility of selling the crop at an even higher price. The government wants to retain the safety net of MSP.

III. The necessity of being licensed to trade creates an umbrella of oversight and accountability. This is gravely missing in the new law.

A. I only                      B. II only                      C. I and III only                      D. III only                      E. II and III only

### 4. Until

I. The world today is growing ever more selfish and there seems no ray of humanity. That ray is not likely to occur till the time everything in this world becomes amiable.

II. At one point, a character, describes it as “the new Shanghai”. Till then she was living proudly in a bubble of patriarchy and prejudice.

III. Kitty, herself often talks about being “confused”. She wants to break free and carve her own corner but makes life decisions that end up shackling her even further.

A. I only                      B. II only                      C. I and II only                      D. III only                      E. II and III only

### 5. Or

I. Multiple studies have reported prolonged near-work induces nearsightedness. Nearsightedness is called myopia.

II. Computer Vision Syndrome is a temporary eye condition caused by focusing on a computer screen for long periods of time without breaks. It is also referred to as Digital Eye Strain.

III. The rapid increase in screen time during the pandemic may have greatly increased the number of people suffering from Computer Vision Syndrome. We have to come up with a solution for this.

A. I only                      B. II only                      C. I and II only                      D. III only                      E. II and III only

## 6. Although

I. Vegetables boost immunity, health and delaying the onset of chronic ailments which is not immediately tangible. These are the super savers.

II. But red bell peppers have more vitamin C than the rest. Vitamin C helps blood vessels in the eye stay healthy and can lower the risk of getting cataracts.

III. Broccoli is a great source of bioflavonoids, which are not just beneficial for the eyes but for overall health. It contains sulforaphane.

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

## 7. Now

I. During the lockdown, the unemployment rate has multiplied. Currently lakhs of people are helpless.

II. Before Covid-19 too, unemployment was an issue. Currently the situation has got aggravated and we demand that the central government introduce an urban job guarantee scheme.

III. This is a phenomenon visible across the country and not specific to Odisha. We are sincerely trying to give employment to the urban labourers.

- A. I only      B. II only      C. All I, II and III      D. III only      E. II and III only

## 8. Therefore

I. The universal experience of people during lockdown is made worse in India by deficits in housing, mobility options and good living conditions. It is important for the government, to come up with rational activity curbs, keep them stable and incentivise people, including through financial rewards.

II. To be profitable, insects must be farmed at very high densities. While some species of insects prefer group living, for others, high density is likely to increase the risk of disease and cannibalism.

III. Inner tranquility lies in being undisturbed despite external circumstances. The role of external situations in bringing tranquillity to the mind is at best transient.

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

## 9. Although

I. Black soldier fly larvae and mealworm beetle larvae are generally raised in large plastic bins, while crickets are raised in cardboard lattices. In practice the animals are too numerous to be treated as anything other than a material input to a chemical process.

II. Governments in developing countries are attracting additional financing from the private sector for infrastructure financing. The private sector financing going to infrastructure investments in developing countries is small on a global scale.

III. The US economy is ticking very slightly upwards as it is performing better in 2011 than what it did in 2010. Not strongly enough to boost jobs, while the EU is faring slightly worse, probably dipping back into recession.

A. III only      B. I and III only      C. I and II only      D. II only      E. All I, II and III

## 10. Nevertheless

I. There is no evidence of a global recession. The EU is clearly already slipping into a mild double dip, this is not the case in the USA, Asia or other major regions of the world.

II. Most people will associate gang fights with movies and shows but they have become a reality on the streets of Thailand. The brawl is not among humans but rival gangs of monkeys instead!

III. The 1800s and early 1900s saw repeated waves of pandemics (e.g. cholera, typhoid, etc.) that killed many thousands of people. The influenza virus remains a major concern but measures to limit this risk are in place.

A. I and II only      B. I only      C. I and III only      D. II only      E. All I, II and III



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**Correct Answers:**

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## Explanations:

1. **‘For’** means the exact same thing as because.

The first sentence in pair I mentions that Zinc helps in natural production of melanin and second says night blindness and cataracts are implications of zinc deficiency. As there is no cause and effect relationship between the two, they cannot be joined using ‘for’

The first sentence in pair II mentions that heat break down vitamin C in the pepper and second says they also contain vitamin A. Here also there is no cause and effect relationship between the two, so, they cannot be joined using ‘for’.

The first sentence in pair III mentions that half-finished structures of some infrastructure are like half-realised dreams for labourers and second statement goes on to mention it is the only livelihood they have. It can be joined using ‘for’ in such a way:

‘The half-finished structures stand as a tangible reflection of half-realised dreams for labourers for it is the only livelihood they have. ’

Hence, option D is the correct choice.

2. **‘Also’** means ‘in addition or as well’.

The first sentence in pair I mentions that IgG starts to appear by day 10 and that it is a virus neutralisation antibody. ‘Also’ can rightly be used here to join both the phrases.

The first sentence in pair II mentions that Congress had asked for dismantling APMC but the speaker has abstained from doing so. Thus, there is a contrast over here and ‘also’ cannot be used.

The first sentence in pair III mentions that genetic engineering could be the cause of the next pandemic and India needs to be as prepared but we cannot join the sentences using ‘also’ as first can be stated a reason for second.

Hence, option A is the correct choice.

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3. **‘While’** means ‘during the time that, or at the same time as’.

The pair I mentions the missions of the legislation. As these both are same ideas, they must be joined by ‘and’ and not ‘while’.

The first sentence in pair II mentions that the government is making it possible for farmers to sell the crop at a higher price and second statement says that the government does not want to change the MSP. Thus, the government is trying to achieve both at the same time. Thus, both statements can be joined using ‘while’.

The first sentence in pair III mentions necessity of being licensed to trade creates oversight and accountability and this is missing in the new law. Thus, both are happening at the same time and both statements can be joined using ‘while’.

Hence, option E is the correct choice.

4. **‘Until’** means 'up to the event mentioned'.

The pair I mentions that the world today is growing ever more selfish and no humanity can be seen. The second statement says humanity will not appear till the time everything is utopian. Because this sentence includes ‘till the time’ we can use ‘until’ to reconstruct it as:

‘The world today is growing ever more selfish and no ray of humanity is likely to occur until everything in this world becomes amiable.’

The first sentence in pair II mentions that character describes it as “the new Shanghai” and goes on further to tell till then she was living proudly in a bubble of patriarchy and prejudice. Here also, we can use ‘until’ in place of ‘till the time’.

The first sentence in pair III mentions that Kitty talks about being confused. The second statement says she wants to break free. As there is no mention of some specific point of time, ‘until’ cannot be used.

Hence, option C is the correct choice.

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**5. 'Or' is used to introduce another possibility.**

The first sentence in pair I mentions that Multiple studies have reported prolonged near-work induces nearsightedness and second says nearsightedness is also called myopia. Thus, we can join them with or saying 'Multiple studies have reported prolonged near-work induces nearsightedness or myopia'.

The first sentence in pair II mentions that Computer Vision Syndrome is a temporary eye condition and second says it is also referred to as Digital Eye Strain. On a similar not as I, it can be joined using 'or'.

The first sentence in pair III mentions that the rapid increase in screen time during the pandemic increased the patients suffering from the Syndrome and second calls for a solution. As there is no another possibility shown, it cannot be joined using 'or'.

Hence, option C is the correct choice.

**6. 'Although' is used for introducing a statement that makes what you have just said seem less true or less likely.**

The first sentence in pair I mentions that vegetables boost immunity and this is not immediately tangible. The second statement mentions that vegetables are the super savers. So, the statement says that though the effects are not visible immediately but they are there for long term. Thus, I can be joined using 'although'.

The first sentence in pair II mentions that red bell peppers have more vitamin C than other vegetables and second statement mentions benefits from Vitamin C. Because they are not in contrast to each other, II cannot be joined using 'although'.

The pair III mentions that Broccoli is a great source of bioflavonoids and also contains sulforaphane. Here too, there are no contrasting ideas. Hence, III cannot be joined using 'although'.

Hence, option A is the correct choice.



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7. **'Now'** means 'present time or when something happens because of something else.'

The first sentence in pair I mentions that the unemployment rate has multiplied during Covid and 'at the present time' lakhs of people are helpless. Thus, I can be joined using 'now'.

The first sentence in pair II mentions that unemployment was an issue even before Covid but 'at the present time' the situation has got aggravated. Thus, II can be joined using 'now'.

The first sentence in pair III mentions a phenomenon visible across the country and that the people are 'at the present time' trying to give employment. Thus, III can also be joined using 'now'.

Hence, option C is the correct choice.

8. **Therefore:** used when we want to express the consequence of an action.

The first statement in pair I states about the problem people faced in India during the tenuous lockdown. The second statement says that the government must come up with various measures including financial rewards for them. The second statement is a consequence of the first one, so 'therefore' can be used to connect the sentences.

The first statement in pair II mentions that for profit, insects are farmed at very high densities. The second statement says that while some of the insects live in groups, for others, high density is likely to increase the risk of disease and cannibalism. The second statement gives additional information after the first statement. So 'therefore' cannot be used to connect the sentences.

The first statement in pair III talks about inner tranquillity. It lies in being undisturbed despite external circumstances. The second statement says that as a result the role of external situations in bringing tranquillity to the mind lasts only for a short period of time or in other words is impermanent. The second statement is a consequence of the first one, so 'therefore' can be used to connect the sentences.

Hence, option D is the correct choice.



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9. **Although:** used to link two contrasting ideas or show that one fact makes the other fact surprising.

The first sentence in pair I states about the different processes used by insect farms to raise different insect larvae. The second statement says that they do not actually do what they say and treat the animals like any other material. The second fact is surprising to the one stated earlier; so, 'although' can be used to connect the sentences.

The first sentence in pair II mentions about the government initiatives in developing countries to draw additional financing from the private sector for infrastructure financing. The second sentence says that on the global scale the private sector finance in infrastructure is very less. The two contrasting ideas can be joined by the 'but' connector. The coordinating conjunction "but" joins together two equally contrasting ideas. The adverbial "although" does not join together two equal ideas – one of the ideas is an unexpected result of the other clause.

The first statement of pair III says that the US economy did fairly better than the previous year. The second statement in contrast says that still the economy is not so strong to generate jobs. This presents a contrast and 'although' can be used to connect the sentences.

Hence, option B is the correct choice.

10. **Nevertheless:** used to link two contrasting ideas or show that one fact makes the other fact surprising.

The first statement of pair II says that recession has not hit the world. The second statement says in contrast, that the Eurozone is facing a dip in their economy. The second fact is surprising to the one stated earlier; so, 'nevertheless' can be used to connect the sentences.

The first statement of pair I is about the general thinking about street fights which are often seen in movies and shows. The second statement says about one such event in reality but not among humans but monkeys. The second fact is surprising to the one stated earlier; so, 'nevertheless' can be used to connect the sentences.



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The first statement of pair III mentions about the waves of pandemics that hit the world repeatedly during 1800s and 1900s and killed many thousands of people. The second statement is about the influenza virus that is still a major concern for the world. As there is nothing contrasting between the two sentences, so, 'nevertheless' cannot be used.

Hence, option A is the correct choice.



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