# MISCELLANEOUS TEST ENGLISH

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Each of the following sentences is divided in to four parts. Any of the parts may contain an error. Select the part that has an error. Select option (d), if you find no error in the sentence. Ignore punctuation errors if any.

- 1. It was suggested (a)/ by the doctor (b)/ that the patient should be taken care. (c)/ No Error (d)
- 2. Scenes from the film (a) / had to be censured (b) / before it was released (c) / No error (d)
- 3. Americans are accustomed to (a) / drinking coffee (b) / with their meals (c) / No error (d) S24.
- 4. I wonder (a) / why are you tinkering with the wire (b) / you might get a shock (c) / No error(d)
- 5. No sooner she had realized (a) / her blunder than she began (b) / to take corrective measures (c) / No error (d)
- 6. I hope the country's condition (a) may go from bad to worse (b)/ unless all necessary steps / are taken to suppress terrorism. (c)/ No error (d)
- 7. During the course of investigation (a)/ the police learnt that not only (b)/ the house was looked but also the things taken away. (c)/ No error (d)
- 8. He does nothing (a)/ but to find (b)/ faults in others and laugh at them. (c)/ No error (d)
- 9. The economic policy of the government (a) / is not quite in variance with the idea of (b) / the socialist pattern of society. (c) / No Error (d)
- 10. Concurrent with this programme (a) / educational institutions may be urged (b) / to inculcate patriotism in each and every one of its pupils. (c) No Error (d)
- 11. It proves years after years (a) / that when it comes to judging new writing (b) / we are on slippery ground (c) / No Error (d)
- 12. Good people will make good laws (a) / but good laws passed by a few does not (b) / necessarily make a good society (c) / No Error (d)
- 13. The officer as well as (A)/ the assistants absented (B)/ themselves from the office (C)/ No Error (D).
- 14. I always enjoy (A)/ to read (B)/ story books (C)/ No Error (D).
- 15. He looked upon me (A) / eye to eye for a few moments (B) / before he spoke (C) / No error (D)

# Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

- 1. Finally, in comparative perspective, I think there is good reason to believe that such (stand -outs) can be resolved through negotiation.
- (a) stand-downs
- (b) stand-ins
- (c) stand-offs
- (d) No improvement
- 2. Their need for sensation is fulfilled by various media, (which has fostered) a society of disposable emotions and short attention spans.
- (a) which fosters
- (b) which is fostered
- (c) which have fostered
- (d) No improvement
- 3. In addition to the physical ruin, (there were the collapse of) the ideology which had been so prominent.
- (a) there is a collapse of
- (b) there was the collapse with
- (c) there was the collapse of
- (d) No improvement
- 4. Human beings are social animals, (who are living in communities), regulated by social norms and laws.
- (a) living in communities
- (b) living amongst a community
- (c) living in midst of communities
- (d) No improvement
- 5. Mr. Thakur withdrew his submission without giving adequate time to the editorial team (to examine either his) counterarguments or get Ms. Raghu's response.
- (a) to examine his either
- (b) to either examine his
- (c) either his to examine
- (d) No improvement
- 6. These troubles are a direct consequence of the country's prolonged domestic recession and (faltering economics recovery).
- (a) faltering economic's recovery
- (b) faltering economic recovery
- (c) faltering economical recovery
- (d) No improvement
- 7. He started at the (bottom rung of the ladder) and then gained success.
- (a) bottom rung of the stair
- (b) lower rung of the ladder
- (c) lower rung of the stair

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- 8. He said that the (two barrage on rivers) Kosi and Gandaki near the India-Nepal border are operated by Indian authorities.
- (a) two barrages in rivers
- (b) two barrages on rivers
- (c) two barrages under rivers
- (d) No improvement
- 9. The issue was not resolved, but the discussion (was helped in realizing) the growing distance between the two strands of thought and the strain of this on the information ecology.
- (a) helped to realize to
- (b) was helped to realize
- (c) helped in realizing
- (d) No improvement
- 10. Higher crude oil prices have doubtlessly provided a significant fiscal boost in the past several months, although any (flair on) going forward can lead to a price spiral that would have other untoward consequences as well.
- (a) flair in
- (b) flare at
- (c) flare up
- (d) No improvement

Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/ phrase given in bold.

- 1. Blaze the trail
- (a) To erase the evidences
- (b) To start a movement
- (c) To put something on fire
- (d) To win a case in the court
- 2. By the skin of one's teeth
- (a) To hurt someone
- (b) Teeth show health of an animal or a person
- (c) Dental hygiene is critical for good health
- (d) A very narrow margin

In the following questions, sentences are given with blanks to be filed in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four as your answer

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1. I am still paying off debtsduring the marriage of my daughter.  (a) accrued  (b) occurred  (c) tedium  (d) piled
2. I have no motive in offering their advice.

(a) peripatetic (b) obdurate (c) tenacious (d) squeamish
The questions below consist of a set of labelled sentences. Out of the four options given, select the most logical order of the sentences to form a coherent paragraph.1. Helen Keller has an ageless quality about her in keeping with her amazing life story.
<ol> <li>P. Although warmed by this human reaction, she has no wish to be set aside from the rest of mankind.</li> <li>Q. She is an inspiration to both blind &amp; who can see -everywhere.</li> <li>R. When she visited Japan after World War II, boys &amp; girls from remote villages ran to her, crying, "Helen Keller".</li> <li>S. Blind, deaf &amp; mute from early childhood, she rose above her triple handicap to become one of the best known characters in the modern world.</li> <li>She believes the blind should live &amp; work with their fellows, with full responsibility.</li> </ol>
(a) QPSR (b) PQSR (c) RSQP (d) SQRP
<ul><li>2. P: It would be better to speak of uniformities of nature.</li><li>Q: Law of nature are not commands but statements of facts.</li><li>R: This would do away with elementary fallacy that a law implies.</li><li>S: The use of the word law in this context is rather unfortunate.</li></ul>
(a) QSRP (b) SQRP (c) QSPR (d) SQPR
3. One major consequence P: is the rise in sea level Q: of global warming arising R: out of greenhouse effect
(a) PRQ (b) RQP (c) QPR (d) QRP

3. His persuasive tone was able to tackle the boy whom other teachers had found

(a) posterior(b) interior(c) ulterior(d) exterior

Out of the four alternatives choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence in the question.

- 1. A collection of books accepted as Holy Scripture.
- (a) Canon
- (b) Clad
- (c) Epiphany
- (d) Stratum
- 2. A person who is not conversant with a particular activity or skill.
- (a) Bier
- (b) Muggle
- (c) Cabby
- (d) Deism
- 3. One who copies from other writers' works
- (a) Novice
- (b) Bilingual
- (c) Plagiarist
- (d) Imitator

The sentences have been given in Active/Passive voice. From the given alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the given sentence in Passive/Active voice.

# 1. The fire engulfed the building.

- (a) The building was engulfed in the fire.
- (b) The building was engulfed by the fire.
- (c) The building was engulfed the fire.
- (d) The building was engulfed to the fire.

# 2. I am to do it.

- (a) It is to be done by me.
- (b) It is to do by me.
- (c) It should be done by me.
- (d) It has to be done by me.

#### 3. The ship is being taken to safe water by the captain and not his crew.

- (a) The captain and not his crew is taking the ship to safe water.
- (b) The captain and not his crew are taking the ship to safe water.
- (c) The captain and not his crew have taken the ship to safe water.
- (d) The captain and not his crew is being taking the ship to safe water.

In the following questions, change the Statements given in Direct Speech form into Indirect Speech or vice versa, with the help of given four options (A),(B),(C),(D).

## 1. She said, "Madam, I have done homework."

(a) She said respectfully that she had been done homework.

- (b) She said respectfully that she has done homework.
- (c) She said respectfully that she had done homework.
- (d) She said respectfully to her teacher that she had done homework.

# 2. Sahil said to his friends, "Let's go to the park."

- (a) Sahil suggested to his friends that they should go to the park.
- (b) Sahil requested to his friends that we should go to the park.
- (c) Sahil suggested to his friends that they would go to the park.
- (d) Sahil suggested to his friends that they have to go to the park.

# 3. Pressed by his students, the Principal suddenly said "I am in no way responsible for the quarrel."

- (a) Pressed by his students, the Principal suddenly said that he was in no way responsible for the quarrel.
- (b) Pressed by his students, the Principal suddenly told that he was in no way responsible for the quarrel.
- (c) The Principal suddenly said he was in no way responsible for the quarrel, pressed by his students.
- (d) Pressed by his students, the Principal suddenly said that he is in no way responsible for the quarrel.

In the following questions a word is given followed by four alternatives. Select the alternative that conveys the same meaning as the word given.

#### 1. DISSEMINATION

- (a) conceal
- (b) obscure
- (c) propagate
- (d) enshroud

# 2. RELEGATING

- (a) receive
- (b) expatriate
- (c) harbour
- (d) naturalize

#### 3. PROPHETIC

- (a) promising
- (b) auspicious
- (c) propitious
- (d) predictive

In the following questions a word is given followed by four alternatives. Select the alternative that conveys the opposite meaning of the word given.

# 1. INTERREGNUM

- (a) interlude
- (b) parenthesis
- (c) procession
- (d) discontinuity

# 2. IMPASSE

- (a) ridicule
- (b) propitiate

- (c) stalemate
- (d) solution

## 3. PRAGMATIC

- (a) practical
- (b) idealistic
- (c) realistic
- (d) earthy

In each question below, four words which are numbered a, b, c and d have been printed of which one may be wrongly spelt. The number of that word is the answer. If all the four words are correctly spelt, mark 'e'.

- 1. (a) Reverance
- (b) Heavenly
- (c) Elsewhere
- (d) Celebrate
- (e) All correct
- 2. (a) Admirable
- (b) Mingle
- (c) Instinctively
- (d) Accomplishment
- (e) All correct

# **TOPIC WISE DISTRIBUTION OF QUESTIONS**

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