

Bank Practice Set - 4

Q.1. In each of the following questions, a sentence has been given with two blanks. For each question, five options are given, each containing two words. You have to choose the most suitable option that fits both the blanks grammatically and contextually.

The central bank's deliberately _____ statement was intended to _____ speculation about an imminent change in interest rates.

(a) ambiguous, intensify

(b) categorical, conceal

(c) measured, quell

(d) erratic, validate

(e) verbose, provoke

Q.2. In each of the following questions, a sentence has been given with two blanks. For each question, five options are given, each containing two words. You have to choose the most suitable option that fits both the blanks grammatically and contextually.

Without immediate conservation measures, the ancient manuscript would continue to _____, making its marginal annotations increasingly _____.

(a) deteriorate, illegible

(b) flourish, conspicuous

(c) circulate, authentic

(d) resonate, coherent

(e) multiply, redundant

Q.3. In each of the following questions, a sentence has been given with two blanks. For each question, five options are given, each containing two words. You have to choose the most suitable option that fits both the blanks grammatically and contextually.

The committee remained _____ about approving the proposal because its projected benefits were largely _____ by verifiable evidence.

(a) enthusiastic, contradicted

(b) sceptical, unsupported

(c) indifferent, strengthened

(d) optimistic, diminished

(e) unanimous, obscured

Q.4. In each of the following questions, a sentence has been given with two blanks. For each question, five options are given, each containing two words. You have to choose the most suitable option that fits both the blanks grammatically and contextually.

By _____ redundant procedures, the cooperative managed to _____ the time required to process agricultural loans.

(a) reinstating, prolong

(b) documenting, estimate

(c) complicating, regulate

(d) eliminating, curtail

(e) reviewing, suspend

Q.5. In each of the questions given below, five words are given in bold. These words may or may not be in their correct positions. The sentence is then followed by options containing combinations of words that should replace each other to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct. Find the correct combination of words that should replace each other. If the sentence is correct as it is, select option (e) as your choice.

The regulator introduced **accurate**(A) disclosure requirements to **deter**(B) market manipulation and ensure that investors receive **stringent**(C) information before committing **substantial**(D) **capital**(E).

(a) A-C

(b) B-D

(c) C-E

(d) A-D

(e) No interchange required



Q.6. In each of the questions given below, five words are given in bold. These words may or may not be in their correct positions. The sentence is then followed by options containing combinations of words that should replace each other to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct. Find the correct combination of words that should replace each other. If the sentence is correct as it is, select option (e) as your choice.

Although the vaccine candidate produced **encouraging**(A) results in preliminary trials, researchers cautioned that its **efficacy**(B) could not be conclusively **replicated**(C) until the findings had been **established**(D) across larger and more diverse **populations**(E).

(a) A-E (b) B-C

(c) C-D (d) B-E

(e) No interchange required

Q.7. In each of the questions given below, five words are given in bold. These words may or may not be in their correct positions. The sentence is then followed by options containing combinations of words that should replace each other to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct. Find the correct combination of words that should replace each other. If the sentence is correct as it is, select option (e) as your choice.

Because the evidence remained inconclusive(A), the panel refrained(B) from attributing(C) the outage solely to human error and recommended(D) a more comprehensive investigation(E).

(a) A-C (b) B-D

(c) C-E (d) A-D

(e) No interchange required

Q.8. A word has been given in each question and has been used in the sentences given below. Identify the statements where the word has been used in a contextually and grammatically correct manner. If the word has been used correctly in all three statements, mark (e), “All of these”, as your answer.

Tender

(i) The consortium submitted a competitive tender for the construction of the offshore wind facility.

(ii) Bondholders may tender their securities for repurchase before the offer expires.

(iii) The tender seedlings were protected from frost by a layer of biodegradable fabric.

(a) Both (ii) & (iii) (b) Only (i)

(c) Both (i) & (ii) (d) Only (iii)

(e) All of these

Q.9. A word has been given in each question and has been used in the sentences given below. Identify the statements where the word has been used in a contextually and grammatically correct manner. If the word has been used correctly in all three statements, mark (e), “All of these”, as your answer.

Preclude

(i) The confidentiality clause does not preclude employees from reporting unlawful practices to the regulator.

(ii) Insufficient archival evidence precluded a reliable comparison between the two administrative systems.

(iii) After reviewing the projections, the committee precluded that the proposed expansion was financially unviable.

(a) Both (ii) & (iii) (b) Only (i)

(c) Both (i) & (ii) (d) Only (iii)

(e) All of these

Q.10. A sentence is given below with a highlighted word that may be incorrect. From the given options, choose the word that can best replace the highlighted word to make the sentence correct.

Because the surviving records are fragmentary, any credible reconstruction of the ancient migration must **eliminate** the considerable uncertainty surrounding the period.



(a) acknowledge

(b) refute

(c) disperse

(d) intensify

(e) No replacement required

Q.11. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is 'No error', the answer is (e).

The health ministry prescribed the sale of an unsafe supplement (A)/ after several users reported neurological symptoms (B)/ and ordered retailers to withdraw it (C)/ pending further laboratory tests. (D)

(a) A (b) B

(c) C (d) D

(e) No Error

Q.12. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is 'No error', the answer is (e).

After reviewing the anomalies, the panel recommended (A)/ that each regional office submits a detailed report (B)/ explaining why the figures had diverged (C)/ from those recorded in the central database (D).

(a) A (b) B (c) C

(d) D (e) No Error

Q.13. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is 'No error', the answer is (e).

Despite intermittent funding, the restoration team has worked (A)/ on the damaged observatory with remarkable persistence (B)/, documenting every alteration to the original structure (C)/ since nearly six months (D).

(a) A (b) B (c) C

(d) D (e) No Error

Q.14. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is 'No error', the answer is (e).

One of the principal reasons why the negotiations have stalled (A)/ is that neither side appears willing (B)/ to concede that its initial assumptions was (C)/ based on incomplete fiscal projections (D).

(a) A (b) B

(c) C (d) D (e) No Error

Q.15. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is 'No error', the answer is (e).

Following sharp increase in demand for hand-bound journals, (A)/ several small workshops have hired trainees (B)/ to learn traditional binding techniques (C)/ once considered commercially outdated. (D)

(a) A (b) B (c) C

(d) D (e) No Error

Q.16. In the following question, a sentence with four highlighted words is provided. These highlighted words may be either misspelled or used inappropriately. Select the incorrect word as the answer, and if all the highlighted words are correct in spelling and usage, choose 'All are correct' as the answer.

Once **ratified**, the revised framework will **supercede** the provisional guidelines and establish a more **rigorous** mechanism for **adjudicating** cross-border insolvency disputes.

(a) adjudicating

(b) rigorous

(c) ratified

(d) supercede

(e) All are correct

Directions: Rearrange the following sentences in the proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph; then answer the questions given below them.

(A) Yet mere conversion into image files did little to make the material intelligible or searchable on a large scale.

(B) To address these weaknesses, researchers began combining automated transcription with corrections supplied by historians and trained volunteers.

(C) The technology, however, performed poorly on irregular handwriting, damaged pages and scripts for which little training data existed.

(D) For decades, archives treated digitisation chiefly as a means of preserving fragile manuscripts by creating electronic copies.

(E) Such hybrid systems neither eliminate expert judgement nor automate preservation entirely, but they significantly broaden access to collections once confined to reading rooms.

(F) This limitation prompted institutions to adopt optical character recognition, which could transform scanned pages into machine-readable text.

Q.17. Which of the following should be the THIRD sentence after rearrangement?

(a) C

(b) D

(c) A

(d) B

(e) F

Q.18. Which of the following should be the FIRST sentence after rearrangement?

(a) D

(b) F

(c) B

(d) E

(e) A

Q.19. Which of the following should be the FIFTH sentence after rearrangement?

(a) A

(b) E

(c) C

(d) B

(e) D

Q.20. Which of the following should be the SECOND sentence after rearrangement?

(a) B

(b) A

(c) F

(d) D

(e) C

Q.21. Which of the following should be the LAST sentence after rearrangement?

(a) C

(b) D

(c) E

(d) A

(e) F



Q.22. Match the parts of sentences given in Column I and Column II to form meaningful and grammatically correct complete sentences. Choose the option that contains all the correct combinations.

COLUMN I	COLUMN II
A. The central bank retained a restrictive monetary policy stance	D. may face penalties under the revised reporting framework.
B. Firms that fail to disclose material cybersecurity breaches	E. it cannot by itself explain the economic forces driving deforestation.
C. Although satellite data can reveal changes in forest cover,	F. until underlying inflation showed sustained signs of moderation.

(a) A-D, B-E (b) B-D, C-F

(c) A-F, B-D, C-E

(d) A-E, C-D (e) None of these

Q.23. Match the parts of sentences given in Column I and Column II to form meaningful and grammatically correct complete sentences. Choose the option that contains all the correct combinations.

COLUMN I	COLUMN II
A. By requiring lenders to assess climate-related exposure,	D. that the settlement was abandoned after a single catastrophic event.
B. The newly translated inscriptions have challenged the assumption	E. the regulator hopes to improve the resilience of the financial system.
C. Despite receiving approval from the ethics committee,	F. the clinical trial were postponed because several safety concerns remains unresolved.

(a) A-E, B-D (b) B-F (c) A-D, C-E
(d) A-F, B-D, C-E (e) None of these

Directions: Read the following passage and answer the given questions. Certain words are highlighted to answer some of the questions.

Coral reefs are often assessed by divers who visually count fish, estimate coral cover and record visible signs of disease. Although such surveys provide valuable information, they can be expensive, time-consuming and difficult to conduct in deep or dangerous waters. An emerging scientific technique known as environmental DNA, or eDNA, offers another way to investigate marine ecosystems without directly capturing or observing every organism.

Aquatic organisms continuously release tiny amounts of genetic material through mucus, scales, waste products and decaying tissue. Researchers collect water samples and analyse the fragments of DNA they contain. By comparing these fragments with genetic reference databases, scientists can determine which species may have recently occupied a particular area. A biologically diverse reef generally produces samples containing genetic traces from numerous organisms. The variety of DNA detected in the water appears _____ the ecological complexity of the surrounding habitat.

During one investigation, researchers collected water from protected coral reefs and from nearby locations affected by pollution and excessive fishing. Samples from the protected reefs contained genetic material associated with a wider range of fish and invertebrate species. Conventional diving surveys conducted subsequently recorded similar differences, strengthening confidence in the results. The study indicated that eDNA could help scientists identify ecological changes that might otherwise remain unnoticed.

Nevertheless, genetic evidence has important limitations. Ocean currents can transport DNA away from the organism that produced it, while sunlight, temperature and microorganisms influence how quickly genetic material decomposes. Consequently, the detection of a species does not necessarily prove that it is currently living at the exact sampling point. Similarly, failure to detect its DNA does not conclusively establish that the species is absent.

The method could be particularly valuable for monitoring rare, secretive or potentially dangerous animals. Researchers can collect water without pursuing such creatures or disturbing fragile habitats. Automated sampling devices could also gather information repeatedly in remote marine reserves and transmit the results to laboratories.

However, contamination from boats, equipment or human handlers may introduce foreign DNA into a sample. Incomplete genetic databases can create



further difficulties because many marine organisms have not yet been scientifically catalogued.

Scientists therefore regard eDNA analysis as a complementary method rather than a complete substitute for underwater observation and physical sampling. When combined with conventional surveys, repeated genetic analysis may reveal a gradual deterioration in biodiversity before extensive damage becomes visually obvious. Continued improvements in sampling procedures and reference databases could eventually make eDNA an essential component of marine conservation.

Q.24. According to the passage, what is a major advantage of using automated eDNA sampling devices in remote marine reserves?

(a) They can determine the precise location of every organism detected in the collected water.

(b) They can repeatedly collect information without requiring researchers to pursue or capture marine animals.

(c) They completely prevent contamination caused by equipment, boats and human handlers.

(d) They immediately restore biodiversity in habitats damaged by pollution and excessive fishing.

(e) They eliminate the need to develop genetic reference databases for marine organisms.

Q.25. Which of the following statement(s) is/are incorrect as per the passage?

(I) Detecting a species' DNA conclusively proves that the organism is living at the exact sampling point.

(II) Environmental conditions can influence the rate at which genetic material decomposes.

(III) eDNA analysis has completely replaced conventional diving surveys and physical sampling.

(a) Only I

(b) Only II

(c) Both I and II

(d) Both I and III

(e) All I, II and III

Q.26. Which of the following statement(s) is/are correct according to the passage?

(I) Marine organisms release genetic material through substances such as mucus and waste products.

(II) Failure to detect a species' DNA always confirms that the species is absent.

(III) Incomplete genetic databases may make the identification of marine organisms difficult.

(a) Only I

(b) Only II

(c) Both I and III

(d) Both II and III

(e) All I, II and III

Q.27. What did the investigation comparing protected and affected coral reefs indicate?

(a) Polluted reefs contained genetic traces from a wider range of fish than protected reefs.

(b) Conventional surveys produced results entirely inconsistent with the genetic analysis.

(c) Protected reefs showed greater genetic diversity, and later diving surveys revealed similar differences.

(d) Ocean currents had no effect on the movement of genetic material between locations.

(e) Excessive fishing increased the number of organisms recorded in every water sample.

Q.28. Choose the best word or phrase to fill the given blank.

(a) to be associated with

(b) having associated by

(c) to associate into

(d) being association for

(e) to have associating with



Q.29. Choose the word that is most opposite in meaning to “subsequently” as used in the passage.

(a) Eventually

(b) Afterwards

(c) Previously

(d) Gradually

(e) Thereafter

Q.30. Choose the word that is closest in meaning to “deterioration” as used in the passage.

(a) Improvement

(b) Decline

(c) Stability

(d) Measurement

(e) Diversity

1.C

2.A

3.B

4.D

5.A

6.C

7.E

8.E

9.C

10.A

11.A

12.B

13.D

14.C

15.A

16.D

17.E

18.A

19.D

20.B

21.C

22.C

23.A

24.B

25.D

26.C

27.C

28.A

29.C

30.B