

Quiz Date: 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020

**Directions (1-8): In the following question a part of the sentence is given in bold, it is then followed by three sentences which try to explain the meaning of the phrase given in bold. Choose the best set of alternatives from the five options given below each question which explains the meaning of the phrase correctly without altering the meaning of the sentence given in the question.**

Q1. I was **read the riot act** by my boss last week for messing up the accounting software.

- (i) I was supported by my boss last week for messing up the accounting software.
- (ii) I was scolded by my boss last week for messing up the accounting software.
- (iii) I was reprimanded by my boss last week for messing up the accounting software.

- (a) Only (i)
- (b) Both (i) and (iii)
- (c) Only (iii)
- (d) Both (iii) and (ii)
- (e) All of (i), (ii) and (iii)

Q2. The Soviet Union had imploded, the Berlin Wall had come tumbling down, and Africans were not indifferent to these **winds of change**.

- (i) The Soviet Union had imploded, the Berlin Wall had come tumbling down, and Africans were not indifferent to these powerful socio economic changes.
- (ii) The Soviet Union had imploded, the Berlin Wall had come tumbling down, and Africans were not indifferent to these influential series of events.
- (iii) The Soviet Union had imploded, the Berlin Wall had come tumbling down, and Africans were not indifferent to these bizarre conditions.

- (a) Both (i) and (iii)
- (b) Both (ii) and (iii)
- (c) Only (i)
- (d) Only (iii)
- (e) Only (ii)

Q3. It's hard to **take Jeff at face value** when he's been caught lying in the past.

- (i) It's hard to investigate Jeff when he's been caught lying in the past.
- (ii) It's hard to trust Jeff when he's been caught lying in the past.
- (iii) It's hard to believe Jeff when he's been caught lying in the past.

- (a) Only (i)
- (b) Both (i) and (ii)
- (c) Both (ii) and (iii)
- (d) Only (iii)
- (e) Only (ii)

Q4. The U.S. is actually **keeping up its end of the bargain** quite well, and assuming the yoke of economic leadership.

(i) The U.S. is actually doing what it promised quite well, and assuming the yoke of economic leadership.

(ii) The U.S. is actually trying to keep its international position quite well, and assuming the yoke of economic leadership.

(iii) The U.S. is actually strong holding its reputation quite well, and assuming the yoke of economic leadership.

(a) Only (i)

(b) Both (i) and (iii)

(c) Options (i), (ii) and (iii)

(d) Only (ii)

(e) Both (i) and (ii)

Q5. Though we'd all been close on the school trip, we **parted company** with one another once we were back home.

(i) Though we'd all been close on the school trip, we separated with one another once we were back home.

(ii) Though we'd all been close on the school trip, we stopped associating with one another once we were back home.

(iii) Though we'd all been close on the school trip, we didn't want to be with one another once we were back home.

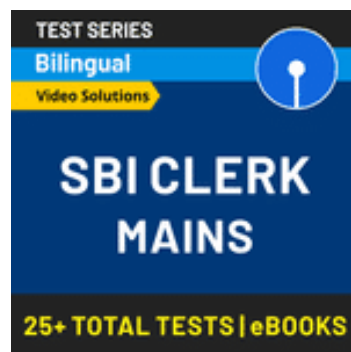
(a) Only (ii)

(b) Both (i) and (ii)

(c) Both (ii) and (iii)

(d) Only (iii)

(e) Only (i)



Q6. None of the editors liked the new policies so they all **jumped ship** as soon as other jobs opened up.

(i) None of the editors liked the new policies so they all resigned as soon as other jobs opened up.

(ii) None of the editors liked the new policies so they all quit as soon as other jobs opened up.

(iii) None of the editors liked the new policies so they all left as soon as other jobs opened up.

(a) Only (i)

(b) Both (i) and (iii)

(c) Only (iii)

(d) Both (i) and (ii)

(e) All of (i), (ii) and (iii)

Q7. The U.S. and Iran **are on a collision course**, one that ends very badly for everyone involved.

(i) The U.S. and Iran are in a conflict with each other, one that ends very badly for everyone involved.

(ii) The U.S. and Iran are continuously defeating each other, one that ends very badly for everyone involved.

(iii) The U.S. and Iran are in a dispute, one that ends very badly for everyone involved.

(a) Both (i) and (iii)

(b) Both (ii) and (iii)

(c) Only (i)

(d) Only (iii)

(e) Only (ii)

Q8. I should have the report ready for you by this afternoon, I just need **to come to terms with** this new software update first.

(i) I should have the report ready for you by this afternoon, I just need bring about necessary changes in this new software update first.

(ii) I should have the report ready for you by this afternoon, I just understand this new software update first.

(iii) I should have the report ready for you by this afternoon, I just need get well-versed with this new software update first.

(a) Only (i)

(b) Both (i) and (ii)

(c) Both (ii) and (iii)

(d) Only (iii)

(e) Only (ii)

**Directions (9-15): In the questions below a statement is given with two blanks in it. For each blank three alternatives are provided in the columns. Choose the**

alternative from the corresponding column that would fit the given blanks to make the given sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful.

Q9. The overall level of the immune response \_\_\_\_\_ by the virus would determine the \_\_\_\_\_ level of antibodies in the body.

Column (I)	Column (II)
(A) Competent	(D) Aspersion
(B) Elicited	(E) Competence
(C) Defamed	(F) Sustenance

- (a) C-F
- (b) B-D
- (c) A-D
- (d) B-F
- (e) C-D

Q10. Intense political and public pressure to \_\_\_\_\_ a vaccine before the science is ready could have \_\_\_\_\_ negative consequences.

Column (I)	Column (II)
(A) Virtuous	(D) Devastating
(B) Desist	(E) Liberating
(C) Release	(F) Terminating

- (a) B-E
- (b) C-D
- (c) A-F
- (d) C-F
- (e) A-E



Q11. Before Sen, the only Indian who took a serious \_\_\_\_\_ in birds was ornithologist Satya Churn Law, who had built a \_\_\_\_\_ aviary on BT Road near Kamarhati.

Column (I)	Column (II)
(A) Disillusion	(D) Sprawling
(B) Interest	(E) Sully
(C) Admonish	(F) Encouraging

- (a) B-D
- (b) C-E
- (c) A-D
- (d) C-F
- (e) A-F

Q12. Called a "cytokine storm", it was once an \_\_\_\_\_ phenomenon familiar mainly to rheumatologists who study when and how the immune system's \_\_\_\_\_ fail.

Column (I)	Column (II)
(A) Arcane	(D) Outcomes
(B) Inclusion	(E) Effects
(C) Origin	(F) Safeguards

- (a) B-E
- (b) C-D
- (c) A-F
- (d) C-F
- (e) A-E

Q13. Although some young leaders felt that Vineet was not \_\_\_\_\_ well, a majority of them are anguished and \_\_\_\_\_ condemn his betrayal.

Column (I)	Column (II)
(A) Cheered	(D) Lacking
(B) Consented	(E) Fiercely
(C) Treated	(F) Separately

- (a) B-D
- (b) C-E
- (c) A-D
- (d) C-F
- (e) A-F

Q14. Just before the visa was actually \_\_\_\_\_, the consular official rattled off a little \_\_\_\_\_ about my never having been a member of the Communist Party.

Column (I)	Column (II)
(A) Permitted	(D) Weaken
(B) Solidified	(E) Prominence
(C) Issued	(F) Spiel

- (a) B-E
- (b) C-D
- (c) A-F
- (d) C-F
- (e) A-E

Q15. It seemed self-indulgent to write about media \_\_\_\_\_ when the country is self-immolating because of \_\_\_\_\_ disease and an economic catastrophe that's about to get much worse.

Column (I)	Column (II)
(A) Denial	(D) Unchecked
(B) Barbarity	(E) Unruffled
(C) Angst	(F) Insensitive

- (a) B-E
- (b) C-F
- (c) B-D
- (d) A-D
- (e) B-F
- (f) C-D



### Solutions

S1. Ans. (d)

Sol. **Read someone the Riot Act:**

**To scold, reprimand, or reprove one severely for an error or mistake.**

Hence, **option (d)** is the right answer choice.

S2. Ans. (e)

Sol. **Winds of changes:**

**An event or series of events that signals or precipitates large and important changes.**

Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

S3. Ans. (c)

Sol. **Take someone at face value:**

**To accept or trust someone or something based only on an initial or superficial presentation, without taking further proof, verification, or investigation into account.**

Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S4. Ans. (a)

Sol. **Keep one's end of the bargain:**

**To do as was promised in an agreement or bargain; to carry through with what one a greed to do.**

Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S5. Ans. (b)

Sol. **Part Company: To separate or depart (from one); to stop associating (with one).**

Hence, **option (b)** is the right answer choice.

S6. Ans. (e)

Sol. **Jump Ship:**

**to leave any post or position; to quit or resign, especially when there is difficulty**

Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

S7. Ans. (a)

Sol. **On a collision course: If two persons/things are on a collision course or path, they end up colliding or coming into conflict with each other.** Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S8. Ans. (c)

Sol. **Come to terms with: To begin to or make an effort to understand, accept, and deal with a difficult or problematic person, thing, or situation.**

Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S9. Ans. (d)

Sol. B-F will fit the given blanks to make the given sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, **option (d)** is the right answer choice.

S10. Ans. (b)

Sol. C-D will fit the given blanks to make the given sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, **option (b)** is the right answer choice.

S11. Ans. (a)

Sol. B-D will fit the given blanks to make the given sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S12. Ans. (c)

Sol. A-F will fit the given blanks to make the given sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S13. Ans. (b)

Sol. C-E will fit the given blanks to make the given sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, **option (b)** is the right answer choice.

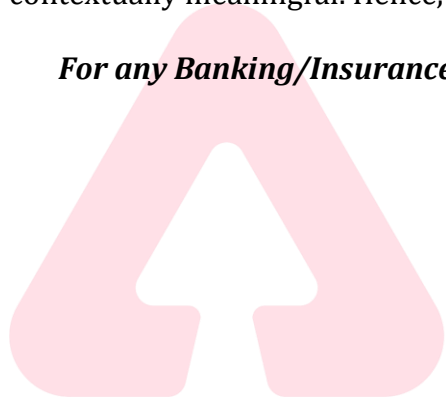
S14. Ans. (d)

Sol. C-F will fit the given blanks to make the given sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, **option (d)** is the right answer choice.

S15. Ans. (e)

Sol. C-D will fit the given blanks to make the given sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

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