

## SSC Tier 1 Exam Sunday English Mega Quiz – Questions with Solutions

### Q1. Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

We appreciate your resourcefulness in effectively handling (considerable difficult) exercises.

- (a) considerable difficulty
- (b) considerably difficult
- (c) considered difficulty
- (d) No improvement

**S1. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** 'Difficult' is an adjective which should be qualified by an adverb. But 'considerable' is also an adjective which should be replaced with adverb "considerably". Thus option (b) is correct.

### Q2. In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase in bold.

It will be wise on your part to **let the bygones be bygones**.

- (a) plan for one's future
- (b) forgive past offences
- (c) recollect the past
- (d) anxious about future

**S2. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** **Let the bygones be bygones** means forgive someone for something he or she did in the past.

### Q3. Select the antonym of Outlandish

- (a) droll
- (b) kinky
- (c) common
- (d) grotesque

**S3. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** **Outlandish** means looking or sounding bizarre or unfamiliar and **common** means occurring, found, or done often; prevalent.

### Q4. In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice.

By this time, he will have received my letter.

- (a) The letter; by this time, has been delivered to him.
- (b) By this time the letter has been received by him.
- (c) By this time my letter will have been received by him.
- (d) By this time the letter has reached him.

**S4. Ans.(c)**

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**Q5. Select the word with the incorrect spelling.**

- (a) Indefinite
- (b) Courteous
- (c) Advartise
- (d) Periphery

**S5. Ans.(c)**

**Sol. Advertise** - publicize information about (a vacancy).

**Q6. Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order.**

- A.** Mr. Trump's immigration policies have disrupted the reforms.
- B.** and Spanish-speaking voters while attracting working-class white voters in the heartland.
- C.** He has reshaped the Republican Party by alienating many business-minded.
- D.** Engineered by Republican Presidents Reagan and Bush and Democrats Clinton and Obama.

- (a) CBDA
- (b) ADCB
- (c) DABC
- (d) CDAB

**S6. Ans.(b)**

**Q7. Select the word with the correct spelling.**

- (a) arobics
- (b) chosers
- (c) batered
- (d) eternity

**S7. Ans.(d)**

**Sol. Eternity** means infinite or unending time.

**Q8. In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.**

To take back, withdraw or renounce

- (a) Repent
- (b) Retrace
- (c) Refuse
- (d) Recant

**S8. Ans.(d)**

**Sol. Repent** –feel or express sincere regret or remorse about one's wrongdoing or sin.

**Retrace** –go back over (the same route that one has just taken)

**Refuse** –indicate or show that one is not willing to do something

**Q9. In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase in bold.**

**Blow the whistle on**

- (a) To report someone's wrongdoing to someone else
- (b) To bore someone
- (c) To pass and be forgotten
- (d) To whistle

**S9. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** To blow the whistle on someone means to report someone's wrongdoing to someone (such as the police) who can stop the wrongdoing.

**Q10. Select the synonym of Gaudy**

- (a) modest
- (b) showy
- (c) refined
- (d) sophisticated

**S10. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Gaudy means extravagantly bright or showy, typically to be tasteless.

**Directions (11-12): Select the most appropriate word to fill in the blank.**

**Q11. Among the agreements the leaders hope to \_\_\_\_\_ up is a trade deal that has been pending since November 2018, when talks went into a standstill.**

- (a) tie
- (b) encase
- (c) hold
- (d) wrap

**S11. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Wrap up: to complete or finish something.

**Q12. \_\_\_\_\_ child needs care and affection if he is to be brought up as a healthy young man.**

- (a) the
- (b) a
- (c) an
- (d) None of the above

**S12. Ans.(b)**

**Directions (13-17): In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each blank.**

"Hate the sin and not the sinner is a \_\_\_\_\_ which, though easy enough to understand, is rarely \_\_\_\_\_, and that is why the poison of hatred spreads in the world It is quite proper to resist and attack a system, but to resist and attack its author is \_\_\_\_\_ to resisting and attacking oneself. for we are all \_\_\_\_\_ with the same brush, and are children of one and the same Creator, and as such the divine powers within us are \_\_\_\_\_. To slight a single human being is to slight those divine powers, and thus to harm not only that being but with him the whole world."

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**Q13. Hate the sin and not the sinner is a \_\_\_\_\_ which,**

- (a) misconception
- (b) myth
- (c) precept
- (d) prediction

**S13. Ans.(c)**

**Sol. Precept:** a general rule intended to regulate behaviour or thought.

**Q14. though easy enough to understand, is rarely \_\_\_\_\_,**

- (a) explained
- (b) practiced
- (c) utilized
- (d) studied

**S14. Ans.(b)**

**Sol. Practiced:** carry out or perform (a particular activity, method, or custom) habitually or regularly.

**Q15. but to resist and attack its author is \_\_\_\_\_ to resisting and attacking oneself.**

- (a) paramount
- (b) inferior
- (c) tantamount
- (d) jubilant

**S15. Ans.(c)**

**Sol. Tantamount:** equivalent in seriousness to; virtually the same as.

**Paramount:** more important than anything else; supreme.

**Inferior:** lower in rank, status, or quality.

**Jubilant:** feeling or expressing great happiness and triumph.

**Q16. for we are all \_\_\_\_\_ with the same brush, and are children of one and the same Creator,**

- (a) tarred
- (b) designed
- (c) carved
- (d) created

**S16. Ans.(a)**

**Sol. Tarred with the same brush** is an idiomatic expression which means to unfairly categorize someone or something as being the same as another person or thing, usually in a negative manner.

**Q17. and as such the divine powers within us are \_\_\_\_\_.**

- (a) meagre
- (b) limited
- (c) hypothetical
- (d) infinite

**S17. Ans.(d)**

**Q18. Select the correctly spelt word.**

- (a) revelars
- (b) rewellers
- (c) revellers
- (d) rewelers

**S18. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Revellers are people who are enjoying themselves in a noisy way, often while they are drunk.

**Q19. Select the correctly spelt word**

- (a) atrocias
- (b) atrocious
- (c) atroceous
- (d) atroacious

**S19. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Atrocious means of a very poor quality; extremely bad or unpleasant.

**Q20. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Out of the given options pick the one that gives their correct order.**

(S) National Geophysical Research Institute (NGRI), Hyderabad, failed to detect any bodies buried under the massive debris.

(P) The ground penetrating radar (GPR) equipment brought by a team from the.

(Q) Human experience and dedication won where the machine failed.

(R) The men of the Kerala Fire and Rescue Services retrieved six more bodies from the landslip-ravaged Kavalappara, near Nilambur in Malappuram.

- (a) QRPS
- (b) PSRQ
- (c) PRSQ
- (d) QRSP

**S20. Ans.(a)**

**Directions (21-30) :** Out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

**Q21. Set in wrong time or period**

- (a) Apophthegm
- (b) Anarchist
- (c) Anachronistic
- (d) Annular

**S21. Ans.(c)**

**Q22. Maker of casks or barrels**

- (a) Colleiny
- (b) Cooper
- (c) Coeval
- (d) Clio

**S22. Ans.(b)**



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**Q23. Divert money fraudulently to one's own use**

- (a) Embeyyle
- (b) Emetic
- (c) Estivate
- (d) Exegesis

**S23. Ans.(a)**

**Q24. A noxious atmosphere or influence, an oppressive or unpleasant atmosphere which surrounds or emanates from something**

- (a) Miasma
- (b) Swirl
- (c) Tycoon
- (d) Vintage

**S24. Ans.(a)**

**Q25. Showing a dislike of anything improper**

- (a) Adjudge
- (b) Prim
- (c) Dodge
- (d) Slack

**S25. Ans.(b)**

**Q26. To remove all objectionable matter**

- (a) Expurgate
- (b) Exotic
- (c) Misophonia
- (d) Cheapskate

**S26. Ans.(a)**

**Q27. Avoid or try to avoid fulfilling, answering or performing**

- (a) Parry
- (b) Ravel
- (c) Surly
- (d) Waive

**S27. Ans.(a)**

**Q28. Someone who acts as an assistant**

- (a) Rampart
- (b) Aide
- (c) Tarry
- (d) Noob

**S28. Ans.(b)**

**Q29. A person without a home, job or property**

- (a) Derelict
- (b) Hoary
- (c) Coy
- (d) Prattle

**S29. Ans.(a)**

**Q30. Excessive publicity**

- (a) Pinion
- (b) Hype
- (c) Maraud
- (d) Subaltern

**S30. Ans.(b)**

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