

SSC Tier 1 Sunday English Mega Quiz - Questions with Solutions

Directions (1-2): Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

Q1. Dhruv agreed (from me) on that point.

- (a) to me
- (b) at me
- (c) with me
- (d) No improvement

S1. Ans.(c)

Sol. To agree with someone is to share a point of view with him/her.

Hence option C improves the sentence.

Q2. Arnab (not only passed and won) a scholarship.

- (a) not passed but won
- (b) not only passed but also won
- (c) not only passed and also won
- (d) No improvement

S2. Ans.(b)

Sol. 'Not only......but also' is the right compound conjunction pair and hence improves the sentence.

Directions (3-4): In the following questions, some parts of the sentences have errors and some are correct. Find out of which part of a sentence has an error and choose corresponding to the

appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error choose corresponding to 'No Error'.

Q3. The economic depression is looming large not only over the first-world countries but also over the third-world countries.

- (a) the economic depression is
- (b) looming large not only over
- (c) but also over the third-world countries
- (d) No Error

S3. Ans.(d)

Sol. No error.



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Q4. By the time the corn was harvested, the grass seed covered the ground almost entirely.

(a) by the time
(b) the corn was harvested
(c) the grass seed covered the ground
(d) No Error
S4. Ans.(c)
Sol. Use 'had' before covered.

Directions (5-6): Four alternatives are given for the Idiom/Phrase. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Idiom/Phrase.

Q5. Swept under the rug

(a) blown out of proportion
(b) heavily publicized
(c) forgotten by the people easily
(d) concealed from others
S5. Ans.(d)
Sol. Option D is the correct meaning.

Q6. With a fine-tooth comb

(a) carelessly
(b) hastily
(c) carefully
(d) unnecessarily
S6. Ans.(c)
Sol. Option C is the correct meaning.



Q7. Four words are given, out of which only one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.

- (a) conscientious
- (b) conscientitious
- (c) consciencetous
- (d) concientitious

S7. Ans.(a)

Sol. Option A is correctly spelt.

Q8. Four words are given, out of which only one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.

- (a) maintainance
- (b) maintenance
- (c) maintenaince
- (d) mentainance

S8. Ans.(b)

Sol. Option B is correctly spelt.

Directions (9-10): Out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

Q9. A person who treats foot related problems.

- (a) Dermatologist
- (b) Orthopedist
- (c) Chiropodist
- (d) Obstetrician

S9. Ans.(c)

Sol. Option C is the correct substitution.

Q10. Fear of heights

- (a) Agoraphobia
- (b) Aerophobia
- (c) Antlophobia
- (d) Acrophobia

S10. Ans.(d)

Sol. Option D is the correct substitution.

Directions (11-12): In these questions, four alternatives are given for the idiom/phrase given in bold in the sentence. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase given in bold.

Q11. The rules of the deal are set forth in the brochure.

- (a) stated
- (b) accepted
- (c) contradicted
- (d) printed

S11. Ans.(a)

Sol. Set forth means to explain something; to present some information.

Q12. His works seems to be a Penelope's web.

- (a) declining
- (b) in his best forms
- (c) endless
- (d) difficult

S12. Ans.(c)

Sol. A Penelope's web means anything which is perpetually doing but never done; An endless job.



Directions (13-14): In these questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the word given in bold.

Q13. Aloof

(a) Above

- (b) Tidy
- (c) Clever
- (d) Reserved

S13. Ans.(d)

Sol. Aloof means not friendly or forthcoming, unresponsive, reserved.

Q14. Avow

- (a) Repudiate
- (b) Abjure

(c) Proclaim

(d) Affirm

S14. Ans.(c)

Sol. Avow means 'To declare or affirm solemnly and formally as true'.

Proclaim means "Declare formally; declare someone to be something; of titles'.

Directions (15-16): In these questions, out of the four alternatives choose the word opposite in meaning to the word given in bold. adda 241

Q15. Demented

- (a) sensible
- (b) sensitive
- (c) sensual
- (d) inordinate

S15. Ans.(a)

Sol. Demented-mad, insane

Sensible: done or chosen in accordance with wisdom or prudence; likely to be of benefit.

Sensual- of or arousing gratification of the senses and physical.

Inordinate-excessive, undue, unreasonable.

Q16. Augmenting

(a) deploy (b) inflate (c) uncomplicated (d) curtail S16. Ans.(d) **Sol. Augmenting** means adding or increasing **Curtail** means to impose a restriction on, so option (d) is most opposite. Directions (17-18): In the following questions, out of the four alternatives choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

Q17. A jocular person who is full of amusing anecdotes

(a) Wile

(b) Vogue

(c) Wag

(d) Aeon

S17. Ans.(c)

Sol. Wile –devious or cunning stratagems employed in manipulating or persuading someone to do what one wants.

Vogue-the prevailing fashion or style at a particular time.

Aeon –an indefinite and very long period of time.

Q18. A person who thinks only about himself and not about others' needs

(a) Egocentric

(b) Egomaniacal

(c) Prosocial

(d) Egotist

S18. Ans.(a)

Sol. Egocentric- thinking only of oneself, without regard for the feelings or desires of others.

Egomaniacal- obsession with oneself up to the extent of madness.

Prosocial - relating to or denoting behaviour which is positive, helpful, and intended to promote social acceptance and friendship.

Egotist- The egotist feels superior to others physically, intellectually or in some other way.

Q19. In the que<mark>stion, fou</mark>r w<mark>ords are</mark> given out of which only one is incorrectly spelt. Find that incorrectly spelt word.

(a) fecund

(b) tedious

(c) jejune

(d) aneamic

S19. Ans.(d)

Sol. Anaemic means lacking in colour, spirit, or vitality.

Q20. In the question, a sentence is given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Four alternatives are suggested the question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four alternatives.

By sheer _____ force, the men pushed the truck to the side of the road and out of danger.

(a) virile
(b) persnickety
(c) meticulous
(d) suave
S20. Ans.(a)

Sol. Virile-Having masculine strength.



Q21. 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.

The growing population problem will be discussed at the conference.

(a) discusses the growing population at the conference.

- (b) discussed the growing population at the conference.
- (c) will discuss the growing population problem at the conference.
- (d) discuss the growing population at the conference.

S21. Ans.(c)

Q22. Select the word with the correct spelling.

(a) Chaufuer

(b) Chauffers

(c) Chaufeur

(d) Chauffeur

S22. Ans.(d)

Sol. Chauffeur a person employed to drive a private or hired car.

Q23. Select the antonym of "TENACIOUS"

- (a) Useless
- (b) Aimless
- (c) Irresolute

(d) Rude

S23. Ans.(c)

Sol. Tenacious: tending to keep a firm hold of something; clinging or adhering closely. **Irresolute** showing or feeling hesitancy; uncertain.

Q24. In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option.

To understand the nature of electromagnetic radiation, it is imperative that we grasp the ______ nature of light.

- (a) twice
- (b) dual
- (c) double
- (d) dichotomous

S24. Ans.(b)

Sol. nature is a noun, before which we need to use adjective, and "dual" is an adjective.

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Q25. In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase in bold.

The soldier on duty at the border is a sitting duck.

(a) in a safe position

- (b) in a vulnerable
- (c) in a secure position
- (d) in a comfortable

S25. Ans.(b)

Sol. A sitting duck- someone or something vulnerable to attack, physical or verbal.

Q26. Select the word with the correct spelling.

- (a) Hipopotemus
- (b) Hippopotemus
- (c) Hippopotamus
- (d) Hipopotamus

S26. Ans.(c)

Sol. Hippopotamus a large thick-skinned semiaquatic African mammal, with massive jaws and large tusks.

Q27. Select the synonym of "FLOUT"

- (a) Defy
- (b) Ignore
- (c) Condemn
- (d) Neglect

S27. Ans.(a)

2241 Sol. Flout: openly disregard (a rule, law, or convention). **Defy** appear to be challenging (someone) to do or prove something.

Q28. In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

The practice of giving best jobs to the members of one's family

- (a) Partiality
- (b) Corruption
- (c) Nepotism
- (d) Favoritism

S28. Ans.(c)

Sol. Nepotism the practice among those with power or influence of favouring relatives or friends, especially by giving them jobs.

Q29. Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

(We want the teacher to be him) who has the best rapport with the students.

- (a) We want the teacher to be he
- (b) We want him to be the teacher
- (c) We desire the teacher to be him
- (d) No Improvement

S29. Ans.(a)

Sol. 'him' is not the right usage because it is a possessive pronoun, and in the sentence it is followed by who, which is used to refer relative pronoun. So the pronoun 'he' should be used. He, who has the best rapport with the students.

Q30. In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'.

Rupam has made (A) / a powerful film and (B) / can change people's mindsets about poverty. (C) / No error (D)

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

S30. Ans.(b)

Sol. Here, 'a powerful film and' should be replaced with 'a powerful film that'. 'That' is used as conjunction here to connect to clauses.



