

### **English Test – 3&5**

**Read the given passage carefully and answer the following questions. Some words have been highlighted to help you locate the same while answering.**

On Nicolás Maduro's watch, Venezuela's economy contracted 80% in less than a decade. Some 7.8 million Venezuelans fled from the economic hardships. If extreme poverty was at 11% in 2013, the year Hugo Chávez died and Mr. Maduro ascended to presidency, it now stands at 53%, while household poverty is much higher, at 82%, as per the UN. The oil-rich country had witnessed anti-government protests in recent years which were met with crackdowns. Before the July 28 presidential election, opinion polls showed that Edmundo González, the main opposition candidate, had a 20-point lead over the President. But none of these seemed to have mattered in the election, according to official results. Mr. Maduro won 51% of the vote, while Mr. Gonzalez secured 44%, said Venezuela's election authority. Mr. Maduro can now extend his rule for six more years. But the opposition has reported widespread irregularities in the counting, and accused the President and his allies in state institutions of stealing the vote. According to the opposition, its vote tallies show that Mr. González won some 7.1 million votes against Mr. Maduro's 3.2 million. Anti-Maduro protests broke out after the official results were announced. And the government is yet to release detailed voter data.

Mr. Maduro is not singularly responsible for the economic crisis. Chavez, a former tank commander who rose to power through elections, **defied** the liberal economic orthodoxy and built a new welfare state that was funded by oil revenues. By the time Mr. Maduro, who lacked his predecessor's charisma, came to power, falling oil prices had dealt a blow to Venezuela's economy. The sanctions by the Trump administration on the oil industry, pushed the economy to the brink of collapse. Mr. Maduro's response was to tighten his grip on power. His regime seemed helpless when Venezuela was gripped by hyperinflation and scarcity of essential goods and medicines. In the run-up to the elections, the government had promised a free and fair vote. But even before the campaign started, María Corina Machado, the opposition's most popular candidate, was banned from contesting. Mr. Maduro has rejected the opposition's claims of fraud after the vote, but he is also under pressure. The U.S. on Thursday recognised Mr. González as the winner and called for a peaceful transition. Even Mr. Maduro's leftist allies in Latin America, including Colombia and Brazil, have called for full and **unambiguous** voting data. Mr. Maduro now has the support of the military. But the deepening divisions at home and isolation abroad would continue to pose questions of legitimacy to his presidency.

**Q1. How did the international community, particularly the U.S., respond to the official election results in Venezuela?**

- 1.They congratulated Nicolás Maduro on his victory, expressing hope for stability in Venezuela.
- 2.They called for an immediate recount of the votes, citing concerns over potential electoral fraud.
- 3.They recognized Edmundo González as the winner and urged for a peaceful transition of power to restore democracy.
- 4.They imposed travel bans and economic sanctions on Venezuelan officials accused of undermining the electoral process.
- 5.They suggested a power-sharing agreement between Maduro and González to ensure national unity and peace.

**Q2. In terms of household poverty, how has the situation changed in Venezuela from 2013 to the present according to the UN?**

1. Household poverty has remained relatively stable with only minor fluctuations since 2013.

2. Household poverty has decreased due to recent economic reforms and international aid efforts.

3. Household poverty levels improved briefly but have since deteriorated due to ongoing political and economic instability.

4. Household poverty has increased significantly, reaching alarming levels of 82%, highlighting the severe impact of the economic crisis.

5. Insufficient data

**Q3. Which key factor contributed to Nicolás Maduro tightening his grip on power in Venezuela?**

1. The increasing popularity of his opposition candidates who posed a threat to his presidency.
2. The economic sanctions that isolated Venezuela and led to a desperate need for control.
3. The rapid improvement in the country's economic situation which boosted his confidence.
4. The support from international organizations advocating for his leadership.
5. The reduction in internal corruption which allowed him to focus on governance.

**Q4. Why was María Corina Machado, the opposition's most popular candidate, banned from contesting in the elections?**

1. Her candidacy was seen as a significant threat to Nicolás Maduro's re-election prospects.
2. She was found guilty of corruption and financial misconduct by the election authorities.
3. She had a controversial past involving ties with foreign governments.
4. She violated electoral laws by campaigning outside the designated period.
5. She chose to withdraw her candidacy voluntarily in favor of supporting Edmundo González.

**Q5. What was the impact of falling oil prices on Venezuela's economy during Maduro's presidency?**

1. It led to increased foreign investment as the country sought to diversify its economy.
2. It had minimal impact due to Venezuela's strong agricultural sector that balanced the economy.
3. It significantly weakened the economy, which was heavily dependent on oil revenues, exacerbating the crisis.
4. It prompted the government to shift focus to renewable energy sources, leading to economic growth.
5. None of these

**Q6. How has the opposition reacted to the official results of the presidential election in Venezuela?**

1. They accepted the results but demanded electoral reforms for future elections.
2. They reported widespread irregularities and accused Maduro of stealing the vote, presenting their own vote tallies.
3. They organized a coalition with Maduro to address the country's economic issues collaboratively.
4. They called for international military intervention to overthrow the Maduro regime.
5. They focused on grassroots mobilization to prepare for the next electoral cycle.

**Q7. What is the tone of the passage?**

1. Optimistic
2. Neutral
3. Celebratory
4. Critical
5. Sarcastic

**Q8. Which of the following best summarizes the passage?**

1. Venezuela's recent economic improvements and the peaceful elections held under
2. Maduro's leadership.
3. Positive impact of the international sanctions.
4. Widespread international support for Maduro's implementation of successful economic policies.

5.The harmonious government effort led by Maduro to address and improve Venezuela's situation.

Venezuela's severe economic and political crises.

**Q9. Which of the following is the SYNONYM of the word 'UNAMBIGUOUS' as used in the passage?**

1.Obvious 2.Vague 3.Obsecure 4.Uncertain 5.Confusing

**Q10.Which of the following is the ANTONYM of the word 'DEFIED' as used in the passage?** 1.Confronted 2.Withstood 3.Disregarded 4.Contested 5.Complied

**In the following questions, five statements are given in which each statement is given in jumbled form. You have to first rearrange each statement to form a meaningful sentence and then rearrange all the jumbled sentences in order to form a coherent and meaningful paragraph. Read the questions carefully and answer accordingly.**

**A.** climate resilience, aimed at supporting vulnerable **(A)**/ international coalition focused on **(B)**/ additionally, the summit saw the launch of a new **(C)**/ countries in adapting to the adverse effects of climate change **(D)**

**B.** this year's summit emphasized the **(A)**/ urgency of immediate action, as recent reports have **(B)**/ catastrophic impacts on the environment and human societies **(C)**/ highlighted accelerating global warming and its **(D)**

**C.** to discuss and commit to new strategies **(A)**/ leaders from over 150 countries gathered **(B)**/ and promoting sustainable development **(C)**/ for reducing greenhouse gas emissions **(D)**

**D.** and restore forests, which act as crucial carbon sinks **(A)**/ to phase out coal by 2030 **(B)**/ and a comprehensive plan to protect **(C)**/ key outcomes of the summit included a historic agreement **(D)**

**E.** held in Geneva, Switzerland, **(A)**/ the 2024 Climate Summit, **(B)**/ marked a pivotal moment in **(C)**/ the global fight against climate change **(D)**

**Q11. Which of the following will be the INTRODUCTORY sentence after the rearrangement?**

1.A 2.B 3.C 4.D 5.E

**Q12.Which of the following will be the correct sequence of the SECOND sentence after the rearrangement?**

1.BADC 2.CDAC 3.ABCD 4.DCBA 5.ACDB

**Q13.Which of the following will be the THIRD sentence after the rearrangement?**

1.A 2.B 3.C 4.D 5.E

**Q14.Which of the following will be the FOURTH sentence after the rearrangement?**

1.A 2.B 3.C 4.D 5.E

**Q15.Which of the following will be the CORRECT SEQUENCE after the rearrangement?**

1.CBAED 2.ECBDA 3.ABCDE 4.EDCAB 5.BADCE

**In the following questions, a word is given in bold. It is then followed by three sentences in which the ANTONYM of the highlighted word has been used. These sentences may or may not use the ANTONYM of the highlighted word. Find out the sentence/s in which the ANTONYM of the highlighted word has been used correctly and mark that as your answer. If all sentences are incorrect, choose option E as your answer.**

**Q16.INNOCUOUS**

**I.** The virus was deemed **harmful**, leading to widespread concern and preventive measures.

**II.** The doctor assured us that the tumor was **benign** and posed no serious

**III.** The stray dog was **threatening**, causing fear among the residents.

1.Only I 2.Only II 3.Only III 4.Both I and III 5.All are incorrect

**Q17.LETHARGIC**

**I.** The committee criticized the slow and **sluggish** response to the emergency.

**II.** The coach praised the athlete's **energetic** performance, which was crucial for the team's victory.

**III.** The child was full of **vigor** and enthusiasm during the school play.

1.Only I 2.Only III 3.Only II 4.Both II and III 5.All are incorrect

**Q18.VIVACIOUS**

**I.** Despite the dull weather, her **energetic** attitude remained unchanged.

**II.** The performance was lively, full of energy and **enthusiasm**.

**III.** Despite the important meeting, he remained **indifferent** to the discussion.

1.Only I 2.Only II 3.Only III 4.Both II and III 5.All are incorrect

**Q19.ELOQUENT**

**I.** His **inarticulate** speech failed to leave a strong impression on the audience.

**II.** The lawyer's **persuasive** arguments swayed the jury in his favor.

**III.** The poet was known for his **expressive** use of language in his writings.

1.Only III 2.Only II 3.Only I 4.Both I and II 5.All are incorrect

**Q20.METICULOUS**

**I.** His **careless** approach to the project led to numerous mistakes and oversights.

**II.** The scientist's **precise** measurements were crucial for the experiment's success.

**III.** The editor's **thorough** review ensured that the manuscript was error-free.

1.Only I 2.Only II 3.Only III 4.Both I and III 5.All are incorrect

**The following passage has five blanks in it which are represented by a letter. Along with each blank, a word is given in bold. These highlighted words may/may not fit in the blank to make the passage meaningful. From the given options, choose the most appropriate words that replace the highlighted words. If no replacement is required, choose option E as your answer.**

In a significant stride for technological innovation, researchers have announced a revolutionary advancement in artificial intelligence (AI) as of August 2024. The new AI system, developed by a consortium of leading tech companies and academic institutions, exhibits an \_\_\_\_\_ **A** \_\_\_\_\_ (**ordinary**) ability to process and analyze vast amounts of data with unprecedented accuracy.

This state-of-the-art AI technology \_\_\_\_\_ **B** \_\_\_\_\_ (**disrupts**) sophisticated algorithms and neural networks to achieve remarkable results in various applications, from healthcare diagnostics to autonomous vehicles. By enhancing predictive capabilities and \_\_\_\_\_ **C** \_\_\_\_\_ (**hindering**) complex tasks, this advancement is poised to reshape industries and improve operational efficiencies.

The implications of this technology are far-reaching, with potential benefits including increased \_\_\_\_\_ **D** \_\_\_\_\_ (**ambiguity**) in medical treatments, enhanced decision-making processes, and streamlined business operations. As researchers and developers continue to refine this technology, the focus will be on addressing ethical concerns and ensuring that AI systems are used responsibly.

This development \_\_\_\_\_ **E** \_\_\_\_\_ (**obscures**) the transformative potential of AI, highlighting its capacity to drive progress and innovation across multiple sectors. With ongoing research and application, the future of AI promises to bring about significant changes in how we live and work.

**Q21.Which of the following words will replace WORD A in the given passage?**

1.irrational 2.ephemeral 3.exceptional 4.illogical 5.No replacement is required

**Q22 Which of the following words will replace WORD B in the given passage?**

1.leverages 2.denigrates 3.annihilates 4.obfuscates 5.No replacement is required

**Q23 Which of the following words will replace WORD C in the given passage?**

1.exacerbating 2.automating 3.expanding 4.magnifying 5.No replacement is required

**Q24 Which of the following words will replace WORD D in the given passage?**

1.lethargy 2.indolence 3.complications 4.precision 5.No replacement is required

**Q25 Which of the following words will replace WORD E in the given passage?**

1.conceals 2.complicates 3.underscores 4.evades 5.No replacement is required

**In the following questions, two columns are given containing three sentences/phrases each. In the first column, sentences/phrases are A, B and C and in the second column, the sentences/phrases are D, E and F. A sentence/phrase from the first column may or may not connect with another sentence/phrase from the second column to make a grammatically and contextually correct sentence. Each question has five options, four of which display the sequence(s) in which the sentences/phrases can be joined to form a grammatically and contextually correct sentence. If none of the options provides correct combination, choose option (e), i.e. "None of these" as your answer.**

**Q26.**

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2
<b>A</b> India signed comprehensive bilateral trade agreement with the European union in	Focused on global economic stability and innovative solutions to climate changes challenges.
<b>B</b> During india's G20 presidency, which concluded in September 2023 in new delhi	a successful soft landing on the moon's south pole in august 2024, marking india's first achievement in this region.
<b>C</b> ISRO's chandrayaan-3 mission achieved a historic milestone with	to bridge the digital divide and enhance digital skills across nation.

1.A-III and B-II 2.B-I and C-II 3.A-III and B-I 4.A-II, B-I, C-III 5.None of these

**Q27.**

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2
<b>A.</b> At the 29 <sup>th</sup> UN climate change conference (COP29) held in Dubai in december2023,	Positioning itself as a global leader in the vaccination campaign against the virus.
<b>B.</b> By early 2024, india had administered over 2 billion doses of COVID-13 vaccines,	Which includes a greater focus on integrating digital literacy and vocational training into the curriculum.
<b>C.</b> The india government announced a significant update to the new education policy in 2024,	Nations made significant pledges to accelerate their efforts towards achieving carbon neutrally by mid century.

1.B-III and C-II 2.A-II, B-III, C-I 3.A-I, B-II, C-III 4.A-III, C-II, B-I 5.None of these

**Q28.**

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2
<b>A.</b> india introduced the crypto currency regulation act in 2024 to	In collaboration with private space companies, set to launch in late 2024.
<b>B.</b> The international monetary fund's latest report forecasts that india 's GDP will grow by7.5%	the Indian government began the initiative to link Aadhaar numbers with voter id cards starting in 2024
<b>C.</b> in a bid to enhance the electoral process and crub fraud,	supported by strong domestic demand and substantial investments in infrastructure development.

1.B-III and C-II 2.A-III and B-I 3.C-I and A-II 4.A-III, B-I, C-II 5.None of these

**Q29.**

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2
<b>A.</b> India announced plans to embark on its first space tourism venture in collaboration	Reflecting its dedication to sustainable energy solutions and reducing carbon emissions.
<b>B.</b> The reserve bank of Indian launched the digital rupee in January 2024 aiming to	With private space companies with a tentative launch date set for late 2024
<b>C.</b> At the COP29 summit, india committed to reaching 500 gigawatts of renewable energy capacity by 2023,	Ballistic missile in February 2024, enhancing its strategic defense capabilities.

1.A-II and B-I 2.B-III and C-I 3.C-I and A-II 4.A-III and C-I 5.None of these

**Q30.**

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2
<b>A.</b> in July 2024, India and the European union signed a comprehensive bilateral trade agreement,	Aimed at enhancing digital skills and promoting digital inclusion across all demographic groups.
<b>B.</b> in response to growing security concerns the India government introduced stricter anti- terrorism laws,	Featuring enhanced surveillance mechanisms and increased penalties for a offenders.
<b>C.</b> in an effort to bridge the digital divide, the ministry of education launched the digital literacy campaign 2024,	Designed to boost economic trade and investment opportunities between the two regions.

1.A-II and B-I 2.B-III and C-I 3.A-I, B-II, C-III 4.A-III, B-II, C-I 5.None of these

**In the following questions, a sentence is divided into four parts among which one of the parts contains error. Find out the erroneous part and mark it as your answer. If all parts are free from error, choose option E as your answer.**

**Q31.** Despite India's remarkable achievement with **(A)** the Chandrayaan-3 mission, which successfully landed on **(B)** the Moon's South Pole, skepticism remains about **(C)** the long-term's implications for space exploration. **(D)**

- 1.Despite India's remarkable achievement with
- 2.the Chandrayaan-3 mission, which successfully landed on
- 3.the Moon's South Pole, skepticism remains about
- 4.the long-term's implications for space exploration
- 5.No error

**Q32.**In light of the resolutions adopted at COP29, **(A)** it has become increasingly apparent that nations **(B)** must now move beyond mere pledges and **(C)** implement concrete measures to achieve carbon neutrality. **(D)**

- 1.In light of the resolutions adopted at COP29,
- 2.it has become increasingly apparent that nations
- 3.must now move beyond mere pledges and
- 4.implement concrete measures to achieve carbon neutrality.
- 5.No error

**Q33.**he updated New Education Policy, introduced **(A)** by the Indian government, not only integrates **(B)** digital literacy as well as redefines the landscape of **(C)** vocational training, potentially transforming the education system. **(D)**

- 1.The updated New Education Policy, introduced
- 2.by the Indian government, not only integrates
- 3.digital literacy as well as redefines the landscape of
- 4.vocational training, potentially transforming the education system.
- 5.No error

**Q34.** Forecasts from the IMF, projecting a 7.5% GDP growth **(A)** for India in 2024, indicates a robust **(B)** economic recovery, although questions **(C)** about sustainability and long-term growth persist. **(D)**

1. Forecasts from the IMF, projecting a 7.5% GDP growth
2. for India in 2024, indicates a robust
3. economic recovery, although questions
4. about sustainability and long-term growth persist
5. No error

**Q35.** Following the successful test of the Agni-VI missile, **(A)** India's strategic defense capabilities have been **(B)** markedly enhanced, though this development **(C)** has sparked a renewed arms race in the region. **(D)**

1. Following the successful test of the Agni-VI missile
2. India's strategic defense capabilities have been
3. markedly enhanced, though this development
4. has sparked a renewed arms race in the region.
5. No error

**In the following questions, a sentence is given with a highlighted phrase in it. The highlighted phrase may/may not be grammatically correct. Choose the best alternative to replace the highlighted phrase so as to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct. If no replacement is required, choose option E as your answer.**

**Q36.** Ranked third in the Global Startup Ecosystem Report, **India burgeoning startup hubs from Bengaluru and Mumbai exemplify** the nation's growing influence in the global innovation landscape.

1. Indias' burgeoning startup hubs in Bengaluru and Mumbai exemplifies
2. India's burgeoning startup hubs among Bengaluru and Mumbai exemplified
3. India's burgeoning startup hubs in Bengaluru and Mumbai exemplify
4. Indians burgeoning startup hubs between Bengaluru and Mumbai exemplify
5. No Improvement

**Q37.** Although the improvement in India's Global Hunger Index ranking **reflects progress for food security but the ongoing challenges** related to nutrition and distribution must still be addressed.

1. reflects progress in food security, ongoing challenges
2. reflect progress in food security while ongoing challenges
3. reflect progress on food security, ongoing challenges
4. reflects progress in food security whereas ongoing challenges
5. No Improvement

**Q38.** The forthcoming launch of India's inaugural space tourism mission in late 2024 signifies a groundbreaking foray into commercial space travel, **prompt both enthusiasm but skepticism regarding its** practical viability and safety measures.

1. prompts both enthusiasm or skepticism regarding it's
2. prompting both enthusiasm as well as skepticism regarding their
3. prompting both enthusiasm or skepticism regarding its
4. prompting both enthusiasm and skepticism regarding its
5. No Improvement

**Q39.** In light of escalating security concerns, the Indian government's implementation of more stringent anti-terrorism laws represents a **decison move for enhanced security, although it's simultaneously raises** significant issues related to civil liberties and human rights.

1. decision move towards enhanced security, although it simultaneously rises
2. decisive move towards enhanced security, although it simultaneously raises
3. decisive move for enhancing security, although they simultaneously raises
4. decisive move to enhanced security, although it simultaneous rised

5. No Improvement

**Q40.** The bilateral trade agreement signed **between the India and the European Union in July 2024 is** expected to enhance economic relations, though the full benefits of this agreement will require careful implementation and monitoring.

1. between India and an European Union in July 2024 is
2. between India or the European Union in July 2024 is
3. between India and the European Union in July 2024 is
4. between the India and an European Union in July 2024 is
5. No Improvement

## **More from less: On the Puducherry election result**

### **The AINRC won comfortably with a reduced vote share**

The people of the Union Territory of Puducherry, no strangers to fractured electoral verdicts, have decisively handed another term to the All India N.R. Congress-led National Democratic Alliance, favouring continuity and the status quo. Despite an unremarkable governance record, the NDA retained power largely due to the first-past-the-post system, which disproportionately rewards parties with the highest vote share. This is what has been reflected in the results of the 2026 Assembly poll. On the face of it, the NDA's victory appears convincing, but a closer look at the vote-share data tells a different story. By winning 18 of the 30 Assembly seats, the ruling alliance gained two more seats than in 2021, even as its vote share fell to about 38% — nearly five percentage points lower than five years ago. On the other hand, the Congress-led INDIA bloc, with about 32% of votes, lost two seats and its tally stood at six. It also suffered erosion of its vote base by around 3%. The presence of the TVK has caused vote share loss to the two formations, though the NDA ultimately emerged victorious. The TVK, along with its ally, won three seats with a vote share of around 18%. Apart from the charismatic appeal of the TVK's founder, C. Joseph Vijay, the prolonged wrangling over seat-sharing within the INDIA bloc hurt the alliance's prospects, despite its emphatic Puducherry Lok Sabha victory two years ago by over 1.3 lakh votes. Chief Minister N. Rangasamy, set to begin his fifth term, deserves credit for shielding his alliance from the TVK's challenge, despite speculation before the polls that the All India N.R. Congress might leave the NDA to join the fledgling party.

Instead of taking steps for the implementation of his electoral promise of securing Statehood for Puducherry, Mr. Rangasamy should focus on delivering better governance. The functioning of the outgoing regime came in for sharp criticism from the office of the C&AG which, in its report for 2023-24, had rapped the AINRC-headed regime for spending beyond its means. Apart from ensuring administrative continuity and closer alignment with the Centre, the Chief Minister should focus on balanced urban and rural development, and improving infrastructure and public services. Also, with changing demographics, renewed focus should be on youth employment, sustainable housing, and environmental conservation to maintain a high quality of life. His administration should make lasting efforts to reduce the damage that frequent cyclones and floods cause to the people and their livelihoods. Such an approach would be the perfect way of expression of gratitude on his part to those who have voted for him and the NDA.

Solution

**1. Answer: C**

It is given in the passage that "The U.S. on Thursday recognised Mr. González as the winner and called for a peaceful transition."

Therefore, option C is the correct answer.

Solution

**2. Answer: D**

It is given in the passage that household poverty in Venezuela has increased significantly, reaching 82%, which highlights the severe impact of the economic crisis.

This indicates a dramatic rise in poverty levels from 2013 to the present.

Therefore, option D is the correct answer.

Solution

**3. Answer: B**

It is given in the passage that the economic sanctions imposed by the Trump administration isolated Venezuela and led to a desperate need for Nicolás Maduro to tighten his grip on power.

Therefore, option B is the correct answer.

Solution

**4. Answer: A**

Generally, political candidates are often banned from elections if their candidacy is perceived as a significant threat to the incumbent leader's chances of re-election. In this case, Machado, being a popular opposition candidate, might have been banned due to her potential to challenge Maduro's dominance and alter the election outcome.

No other reasons are mentioned in the given passage.

Therefore, option A is the correct answer.

Solution

**5. Answer: C**

It is given in the passage that falling oil prices significantly weakened Venezuela's economy, which was heavily dependent on oil revenues, exacerbating the crisis.

Therefore, option C is the correct answer.

Solution

**6. Answer: B**

It is given in the passage that "Mr. Maduro can now extend his rule for six more years. But the opposition has reported widespread irregularities in the counting, and accused the President and his allies in state institutions of stealing the vote."

Therefore, option B is the correct answer.

Solution

**7. Answer: D**

The tone of the passage is critical, as it highlights the severe economic and political issues in Venezuela and the controversy surrounding the election results.

Therefore, option D is the correct answer.

Solution

**8. Answer: E**

The passage details Venezuela's significant economic and political challenges, highlighting severe crises and allegations of electoral fraud.

Therefore, option E is the correct answer.

Solution

**9. Answer: A**

The synonym of 'unambiguous' is "obvious." Both the words describe something that is clear and easy to understand, with no room for confusion.

Therefore, option A is the correct answer.

Solution

**10. Answer: E**

The antonym of 'defied' is "complied."

While 'defied' means to resist or challenge authority or rules, 'complied' means to obey or adhere to rules or authority, which is the opposite of defying.

Therefore, option E is the correct answer.

Solution

**11. Answer: E**

**The correct sequence is: ECBDA**

**E:** The 2024 Climate Summit, **(A)** held in Geneva, Switzerland, **(B)** marked a pivotal moment in **(C)** the global fight against climate change. **(D)**

Sentence E serves as the first or introductory sentence by establishing the context, location, and significance of the particular event it describes.

Therefore, option E is the correct answer.

Solution

**12. Answer: A**

**The correct sequence is: ECBDA**

**The correct sequence of the second sentence is: BADC**

Leaders from over 150 countries gathered **(A)** to discuss and commit to new strategies **(B)** for reducing greenhouse gas emissions **(C)** and promoting sustainable development. **(D)**

Therefore, option A is the correct answer.

Solution

**13. Answer: B**

**The correct sequence is: ECBDA**

**B:** This year's summit emphasized the **(A)** urgency of immediate action, as recent reports have **(B)** highlighted accelerating global warming and its **(C)** catastrophic impacts on the environment and human societies. **(D)**

This sentence builds on the previous sentence by adding a sense of urgency and contextualizing the discussions.

Therefore, option B is the correct answer.

Solution

**14. Answer: D**

**The correct sequence is: ECBDA**

**D:** Key outcomes of the summit included a historic agreement **(A)** to phase out coal by 2030 **(B)** and a comprehensive plan to protect **(C)** and restore forests, which act as crucial carbon sinks. **(D)**

This sentence details the concrete outcomes of the summit, providing specific examples of the agreements and plans made.

Therefore, option D is the correct answer.

Solution

**15. Answer: B**

**The correct sequence is: ECBDA**

**E:** The 2024 Climate Summit, **(A)** held in Geneva, Switzerland, **(B)** marked a pivotal moment in **(C)** the global fight against climate change. **(D)**

**C:** Leaders from over 150 countries gathered **(A)** to discuss and commit to new strategies **(B)** for reducing greenhouse gas emissions **(C)** and promoting sustainable development. **(D)**

**B:** This year's summit emphasized the **(A)** urgency of immediate action, as recent reports have **(B)** highlighted accelerating global warming and its **(C)** catastrophic impacts on the environment and human societies. **(D)**

**D:** Key outcomes of the summit included a historic agreement **(A)** to phase out coal by 2030 **(B)** and a comprehensive plan to protect **(C)** and restore forests, which act as crucial carbon sinks. **(D)**

**A:** Additionally, the summit saw the launch of a new **(A)** international coalition focused on **(B)** climate resilience, aimed at supporting vulnerable **(C)** countries in adapting to the adverse effects of climate change. **(D)**

Therefore, option B is the correct answer.

Solution

**16. Answer: D**

**"Innocuous"** means harmless or not causing harm. The antonyms of "innocuous" are words that imply causing harm or danger.

Sentences I and III correctly use antonyms of "innocuous".

Therefore, option D is the correct answer.

Solution

**17. Answer: D**

**"Lethargic"** means sluggish, lacking energy, or inactive. The antonyms of "lethargic" are words that imply energy, enthusiasm, or quickness.

Sentences II and III correctly use antonyms of "lethargic".

Therefore, option D is the correct answer.

Solution

**18. Answer: C**

**"Vivacious"** means full of life and energy, spirited. The antonyms of "vivacious" are words that imply a lack of energy or enthusiasm, such as "indifferent".

Therefore, option C is the correct answer.

Solution

**19. Answer: C**

**"Eloquent"** means fluent and effective in expressing ideas; articulate and persuasive. The antonyms of "eloquent" are words that imply a lack of effective communication or clarity, such as "inarticulate."

Therefore, option C is the correct answer.

Solution

**20. Answer: A**

**"Meticulous"** means showing great attention to detail and being very careful and precise. The antonyms of "meticulous" are words that imply a lack of carefulness or attention to detail, such as "careless."

Therefore, option A is the correct answer.

Solution

**21. Answer: C**

The context of the passage describes the new AI system as having an outstanding ability to process and analyze vast amounts of data with unprecedented accuracy. The word **"Exceptional"** fits correctly here as it means outstanding or remarkable, aligning perfectly with the description of the AI system's capabilities.

Therefore, option C is the correct answer.

Solution

**22. Answer: A**

The context of the passage indicates that the AI technology uses sophisticated algorithms and neural networks to achieve remarkable results.

**"Leverages"** means to use something to its maximum advantage, which fits well with how the AI technology employs its components.

Therefore, option A is the correct answer.

Solution

**23. Answer: B**

The context of the passage is about enhancing predictive capabilities and performing complex tasks more efficiently. **"Automating"** fits well because it refers to using

technology to perform tasks automatically, aligning with the idea of improving operational efficiencies.

Therefore, option B is the correct answer.

Solution

**24. Answer: D**

The passage discusses potential benefits of the new AI technology, including increased accuracy in medical treatments. **"Precision"** means the quality of being exact and accurate, which aligns with the context of improving medical treatments.

Therefore, option D is the correct answer.

Solution

**25. Answer: C**

The passage highlights the transformative potential of AI and its ability to drive progress and innovation.

**"Underscores"** means to emphasize or highlight, which fits well with the context of showcasing the significance of AI.

Therefore, option C is the correct answer.

Solution

**26. Answer: B**

**The sentences formed are: B-I and C-II**

- During India's G20 Presidency, which concluded in September 2023, the summit in New Delhi focused on global economic stability and innovative solutions to climate change challenges.

- ISRO's Chandrayaan-3 mission achieved a historic milestone with a successful soft landing on the Moon's South Pole in August 2024, marking India's first achievement in this region.

Therefore, option B is the correct answer.

Solution

**27. Answer: D**

**The sentences formed are: A-III, C-II, B-I**

- At the 29th UN Climate Change Conference (COP29) held in Dubai in December 2023, nations made significant pledges to accelerate their efforts towards achieving carbon neutrality by mid-century.

- The Indian government announced a significant update to the New Education Policy in 2024, which includes a greater focus on integrating digital literacy and vocational training into the curriculum.

- By early 2024, India had administered over 2 billion doses of COVID-19 vaccines, positioning itself as a global leader in the vaccination campaign against the virus.

Therefore, option D is the correct answer.

Solution

**28. Answer: A**

**The sentences formed are: B-III and C-II**

- The International Monetary Fund's latest report forecasts that India's GDP will grow by 7.5% in 2024, supported by strong domestic demand and substantial investments in infrastructure development.

- In a bid to enhance the electoral process and curb fraud, the Indian government began the initiative to link Aadhaar numbers with voter ID cards starting in 2024.

Therefore, option A is the correct answer.

Solution

**29. Answer: C**

**The sentences formed are: C-I and A-II**

- At the COP29 summit, India committed to reaching 500 gigawatts of renewable energy capacity by 2030, reflecting its dedication to sustainable energy solutions and reducing carbon emissions.

- India announced plans to embark on its first space tourism venture in collaboration with private space companies, with a tentative launch date set for late 2024. Therefore, option C is the correct answer.

Solution

**30. Answer: D**

**The sentences formed are: A-III, B-II, C-I**

- In July 2024, India and the European Union signed a comprehensive bilateral trade agreement, designed to boost economic trade and investment opportunities between the two regions.

- In response to growing security concerns, the Indian government introduced stricter anti-terrorism laws, featuring enhanced surveillance mechanisms and increased penalties for offenders.

- In an effort to bridge the digital divide, the Ministry of Education launched the Digital Literacy Campaign 2024, aimed at enhancing digital skills and promoting digital inclusion across all demographic groups.

Therefore, option D is the correct answer.

Solution

**31. Answer: D**

The phrase "long-term implications" uses "long-term" as an adjective describing "implications." The possessive form "long-term's" is incorrect in this context.

**Thus, the correct sentence is:**

- Despite India's remarkable achievement with (A)/ the Chandrayaan-3 mission, which successfully landed on (B)/ the Moon's South Pole, skepticism remains about (C)/ the **long-term implications** for space exploration. (D)

Therefore, option D is the correct answer.

Solution

**32. Answer: B**

The present perfect tense, which uses "has" or "have" as auxiliary verbs, is followed by the past participle form of the main verb (V3). In this case, the correct form of the verb "become" in the past participle is "become."

**Thus, the correct sentence is:**

In light of the resolutions adopted at COP29, (A)/ **it has become** increasingly apparent that nations (B)/ must now move beyond mere pledges and (C)/ implement concrete measures to achieve carbon neutrality. (D)

Therefore, option B is the correct answer.

Solution

**33. Answer: C**

The phrase "not only... but also" requires parallel structure. Thus, both actions (integrating digital literacy and redefining the landscape) should be connected properly. The use of "as well as" disrupts the parallel structure and should be replaced with "but also" to maintain consistency with "not only."

**Thus, the correct sentence is:**

The updated New Education Policy, introduced (A)/ by the Indian government, **not only** integrates (B)/ digital literacy **but also** redefines the landscape of (C)/ vocational training, potentially transforming the education system. (D)

Therefore, option C is the correct answer.

Solution

**34. Answer: B**

The subject of the sentence is "Forecasts," which is plural. So, the verb should also be plural to match. "Indicate" is the correct plural form, while "indicates" is singular and does not agree with the plural subject "Forecasts."

**Thus, the correct sentence is:**

Forecasts from the IMF, projecting a 7.5% GDP growth (A)/ for India in 2024, indicate a robust (B)/ economic recovery, although questions (C)/ about sustainability and long-term growth persist. (D)

Therefore, option B is the correct answer.

Solution

**35. Answer: E**

The sentence is error-free because it maintains correct subject-verb agreement with "India's strategic defense capabilities" (plural) and "have been" (plural), uses the correct past participle "markedly enhanced," and properly matches the singular subject "this development" with "has sparked." The grammatical structures and verb forms are appropriately aligned.

Therefore, option E is the correct answer.

Solution

**36. Answer: C**

It should be "India's" to indicate possession (India's burgeoning startup hubs).

"exemplify" is correctly used because it matches the plural subject "India's burgeoning startup hubs."

**Thus, the correct sentence is:**

Ranked third in the Global Startup Ecosystem Report, **India's burgeoning startup hubs in Bengaluru and Mumbai exemplify** the nation's growing influence in the global innovation landscape.

Therefore, option C is the correct answer.

Solution

**37. Answer: A**

"reflect" should be "reflects": The verb must agree with the singular subject "improvement."

"progress for" should be "progress in": The correct preposition to use with "progress" is "in."

Using "but" after "although" is redundant: Since "although" already introduces a contrast, using "but" is unnecessary and redundant.

**Thus, the correct sentence is:**

- Although the improvement in India's Global Hunger Index ranking **reflects progress in food security, ongoing challenges** related to nutrition and distribution must still be addressed.

Therefore, option A is the correct answer.

Solution

**38. Answer: D**

"prompt" should be "prompting": The gerund form is needed to correctly function as the verb here.

"Both.....and" is the correct usage. The correct correlative conjunction pair is "both...and."

"its" is the correct usage. The possessive pronoun should agree with the singular noun "mission."

Thus, the correct sentence is:

- The forthcoming launch of India's inaugural space tourism mission in late 2024 signifies a groundbreaking foray into commercial space travel, **prompting both enthusiasm and skepticism regarding its** practical viability and safety measures.

Therefore, option D is the correct answer.

Solution

**39. Answer: B**

"decisive" is the correct usage.

"it" is correct. The pronoun "it" correctly refers back to the noun phrase "the Indian government's implementation of more stringent anti-terrorism laws."

"simultaneously" is the correct usage, which accurately describes the concurrent raising of issues.

"raises" is the correct usage as it refers to bringing up or causing significant issues to be considered.

**Thus, the correct sentence is:**

In light of escalating security concerns, the Indian government's implementation of more stringent anti-terrorism laws represents a **decisive move towards enhanced security, although it simultaneously raises** significant issues related to civil liberties and human rights.

Therefore, option B is the correct answer.

Solution

**40. Answer: C**

No article should be used before "India."

The article "the" should be used before "European Union."

The phrase "between... and" correctly connects the two parties in the agreement.

Thus, the correct sentence is:

The bilateral trade agreement signed **between India and the European Union in July 2024** is expected to enhance economic relations, though the full benefits of this agreement will require careful implementation and monitoring.

Therefore, option C is the correct answer.