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CLOZE TEST NO. 1

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

There is a saying that coming events cast their shadows before. (1)_____, it is not universally true. Something can happen within a second, and one may not (2)_____ it. (3)_____, some instances show that predictions based on certain signs have gone wrong. People generally say that natural calamities can be predicted by observing the animals. But what if animals are suffering from some disease and don't show any signs before the event appears? They may fail to make peculiar sounds or actions about the events which are going to take place. (4)_____, some unnatural calamities that are likely to appear may forecast their shadows by some bad omens. (5)_____, we should not completely cancel out the possibilities that animals can sense certain unnatural happenings.

Blank No

- 1.**
1. Moreover
2. Therefore
3. Furthermore
4. However

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- 2.**
1. legalise
2. foresee
3. rescind
4. affect

Blank No. 3.

1. Therefore
2. Moreover
3. Nevertheless
4. However

Blank No. 4.

1. Besides
2. Secondly
3. Therefore
4. Despite

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1. However
2. Nevertheless
3. Moreover
4. Therefore



CLOZE TEST NO. 2

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

From the beginning (1)_____ the eighteenth century, the ladies of European cities covered (2)_____ faces in layers of paint and powder. This particular fashion was largely brought (3) _____ by the urgent need to disguise the ravages of smallpox, (4)_____ left their faces pitted and scarred. During this same period, the 'beauty spot' was introduced to cover (5) _____ a facial defect.

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1. in
2. on
3. of
4. about

Blank No. 2

1. their
2. there
3. them
4. they're

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1. within
2. around
3. to
4. about

Blank No. 4

1. that
2. which
3. when
4. who

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1. on
2. to
3. for
4. up

CLOZE TEST NO. 3

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Tea prices in the domestic (1)_____ continue to rule high in the current year despite the expectation of a higher production as compared to the previous year. During the past three months, tea prices have been (2)_____ with the prices of other companies. Unlike last year, tea prices have generally shown (3) _____, when tea prices rose dramatically, this year, prices seem to have (4) _____ at a rather high level. In the subsequent four months, the (5)_____ average price showed a downtrend.

Blank No. 1

1. market
2. area
3. zone
4. field

Blank No. 2

1. aligning
2. favouring
3. countering
4. encountering

Blank No. 3

1. an inflow
2. an innate
3. a reduction
4. an uptrend

Blank No. 4

1. stabilised
2. moderated
3. equated
4. abated

Blank No. 5

1. monthly
2. half yearly
3. weekly
4. yearly

CLOZE TEST NO. 4

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

The third National Wildlife Action Plan for 2017- 2031, underlying India's plan for wildlife conservation, was unveiled (1) HARDU the Global Wildlife Programme conference. The plan recognises (2)_____ addresses concerns pertaining to climate changes and its impact on wildlife . The plan details the importance of ecosystems for food production, health and other aspects of (3)_____ survival and sustainable development. It also emphasises preservation of genetic (4)_____ and sustainable utilisation of species and ecosystems which has direct bearing on our scientific advancements and support to millions of rural communities. The plan underscores rehabilitation of threatened wildlife species (5)_____ inland aquatic, coastal and marine ecosystems while conserving their habitats.

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1. at
2. for
3. in
4. to

Blank No. 2

1. to
2. and
3. in
4. for

Blank No. 3

1. group
2. human
3. species
4. breed

Blank No. 4

1. conflict
2. diversity
3. focus
4. rejection

Blank No. 5

1. including
2. gathering
3. counting
4. mixing

CLOZE TEST NO. 5

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Americans have been arguing about pandemic (1) _____ for two years, and the debate is particularly fraught among parents of small children, for good reasons. While (2) _____ such as masking and isolation mean temporary discomfort or inconvenience for most people, their (3) _____ for still-developing young children are more mysterious, and possibly more significant and lasting. Children with speech or language disorders offer perhaps the (4) _____ example of these murky trade-offs. Pandemic restrictions vary by state, county and school district, but I spoke with parents in California, New York, Massachusetts, Washington, New Jersey, Iowa and Maryland, who said their children's speech therapy has been (5) _____: first by the loss of in-person therapy and then by masking requirements, in places that have them.

Blank No. 1

1. restrictions
2. intemperance
3. advantages
4. handicap

Blank No. 2

1. brandings
2. measures
3. models
4. sluggishness

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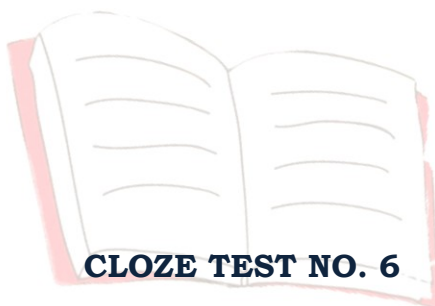
1. marginalisation
2. foundations
3. disapproval
4. consequences

Blank No. 4

1. clearest
2. vague
3. indistinct
4. nebulous

Blank No. 5

1. disrupted
2. regulated
3. measured
4. normalized



CLOZE TEST NO. 6

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

As a result of Covid-19, the quick (1) HARDU to digital training has exposed the hazards of student disengagement and the resulting consequences of lower student performance across (2) _____ courses. The latest (3) _____ has altered the education of millions of people around the world. New approaches and improvements in the school system are urgently required. Considering the increasing digital divide, the strategy may exacerbate existing inequality disparities. More than 500 million students, at various levels, around the world were forced to (4) _____ their studies. These changes have caused and will continue to cause some inconvenience, but they will also foster innovation and future reforms inside this education system. During a global Covid-19 pandemic, the 'pile-on effect' of the coronavirus can have long-term consequences for schooling, notably for the most vulnerable. Children, (5) _____ basic, core learning (reading, math, languages, etc.) was weak to begin with, face a significant risk of regression. During Covid-19, millions of children whose right to education has already been violated, particularly girls, are exposed to greater health and well-being hazards (both psychosocial and physical).

Blank No. 1

1. end
2. transition
3. set
4. stagnation

Blank No. 2

1. numerous
2. fewer
3. particular
4. limit

Blank No. 3

1. local
2. endemic
3. epidemic
4. pandemic

Blank No. 4

1. suspend
2. resume
3. reopened
4. carry on

Blank No. 5

1. which
2. whose
3. whom
4. who

CLOZE TEST NO. 7

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav is an (1) _____ by the Government of India to celebrate and remember 75 years of independence and the beautiful history of its people, culture and achievements. This Mahotsav is (2) _____ to the people of India, who have not only been instrumental in bringing India this far in its evolutionary journey but also (3) _____ the power and potential to realise Prime Minister, Narendra Modi's (4) _____ of activating India 2.0, fuelled by the spirit of Aatmanirbhar Bharat. The formal journey of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav began on 12 March 2021, beginning a (5) _____ to our 75th anniversary of independence and will finish a year later on 15 August 2023.

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1. associate
2. initiative
3. obligation
4. occult

Blank No. 2

1. dedicated
2. alienated
3. refused
4. withhold

Blank No. 3

1. clarifies
2. possess
3. concludes
4. obtains

Blank No. 4

1. graphics
2. vision
3. design
4. control

Blank No. 5

1. allocation
2. countdown
3. custom
4. breakdown

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CLOZE TEST NO. 8

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Appearances may not reveal the man. So, you shouldn't make (1) _____ about a man's character based on how he (2) _____. People smile and smile, yet prove to be (3) _____. On the other hand, people with rough exteriors prove to be the (4) _____ and most considerate people on earth. They are the people who are beautiful from (5) _____.

Blank No. 1

1. ascend
2. derivations
3. deficient
4. assumptions

Blank No. 2

1. admits
2. shows
3. glitters
4. looks

Blank No. 3

1. grumpy
2. ecstatic
3. joyful
4. sparkling

Blank No. 4

1. bitterest
2. strangest
3. gloomiest
4. kindest

Blank No. 5

1. within
2. personality
3. style
4. exterior

CLOZE TEST NO. 9

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Now, we have Mr. X as the President of India. It has come as a surprise (1)_____ Scheduled Tribes who are (2)_____ the most marginalised groups of the country. The Adivasis of India have been (3)_____ socially, economically and culturally. Despite various efforts taken by the Government of India, they are still under (4)_____ and suffering. Therefore, the (5)_____ a leader from a marginalised community or group does not indicate that now the entire community will be uplifted. However, this kind of move may bring certain changes in the status of the Adivasis.

Blank no.1

1. off
2. in
3. to
4. at

Blank no.2

1. through
2. therefore
3. onto
4. among

Blank no.3

1. censored
2. marginalised
3. elevated
4. uplifted

Blank no.4

1. abundance
2. forest
3. river
4. poverty

Blank no.5

1. rejection of
2. president of
3. exclusion of
4. elevation of

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CLOZE TEST NO. 10

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

The beginning of the story is (1)_____ in its presentation but (2)_____ the style eases out and becomes haunting in its simplicity. The author brings out the human elements in his story. This common element of sympathy and sacrifice is given a new (3)_____ by the old artist who shows by his last desperate act that one can be a hero for one day if only one cares (4)_____. O Henry's treatment of his material is balanced and controlled, a fine (5)_____ of humour and pathos.

Blank No. 1

1. prone
2. delectable
3. quaint
4. habitual

Blank No. 2

1. hardly
2. recently
3. initially
4. gradually

Blank No. 3

1. supervision
2. condition
3. dimension
4. infection

Blank No. 4

1. through
2. though
3. tough
4. enough

Blank No. 5

1. legend
2. ascend
3. blend
4. amend

CLOZE TEST NO. 11

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

People often say that the stars govern their fate but they forget the fact that success or failure is the result of one's own (1)_____. If we sow chaff, we can't reap grain; and the result or consequence of an action depends on what one does and to the extent he (2)_____ it. If we work hard, we succeed only to the extent that we work. People who think that the law of karma is (3)_____ may feel that if one is destined to get something he will always get it whether he strives for it or not. But experience tells us that reward and punishments are the direct result of our action. Honesty and hard work never go unrewarded and (4)_____ and evil deeds never go (5)_____. In fact even the law of karma, in its proper sense, methat the fruit we get is decided by whatever actions we did in the past.

Blank No. 1

1. power
2. incidents
3. case
4. actions

Blank No. 2

1. does
2. have
3. create
4. put

Blank No. 3

1. supreme
2. greatest
3. more
4. most

Blank No. 4

1. horribly
2. badly
3. dishonesty
4. fairness

Blank No. 5

1. unpunished
2. vile
3. punished
4. waste

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CLOZE TEST NO. 12

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Gandhi, (1)_____ father of the Indian nation, practiced 'ahimsa' in his personal and political life. He firmly believed that nonviolence is not meant merely for monks, saints and priests; it is for commoners too. If violence is the law of the (2)_____ -beasts, non-violence is the law of the civilised human species. 'The spirit of the brute is inactive and so he knows no law; he knows only physical might. The dignity of man requires obedience to a higher law, to strength of the spirit,' Gandhi said. Ahimsa, to Gandhiji, meant that one should love all; even (3)_____ enemies. And the expression of love, ahimsa, should be in such a manner that it impresses itself indelibly upon the so-called enemy, and then the enemy must return that love. It is a practically (4)_____ philosophy. Gandhi was realistic; he believed that non-violence provides the fullest protection to one's self-respect and sense of humour. It won't work in the defence of (5)_____ gains and immoral acts. He called his marches off when people indulged in violence during protests for India's freedom. His faith in 'ahimsa' played an influential

role in enabling the creation of an independent India in 1947, with minimum bloodshed, breaking the shackles framed by the British.

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1. an
2. for
3. the
4. a

Blank No. 2

1. forest-living
2. life
3. forest-lived
4. alive

Blank No. 3

1. her
2. its
3. one's
4. one

Blank No. 4

1. prove
2. approved
3. proven
4. proving

Blank No. 5

1. relevant
2. ill-gotten
3. ill-will
4. moral

CLOZE TEST NO. 13

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Sleeping, dreaming and waking are three important (1)_____ for ordinary humans. But for those who have (2)_____ transcendental knowledge, all three are almost same and there is not much difference among these three. 'The world and life is a myth and it keeps on changing' (3)_____ Adi Shankaracharya, the greatest 'Advaita' preacher. Ramana Maharshi observed no difference between dreaming and waking states. What he said is that it is from one unreal world to another (4)_____ world. There is no difference between the images one sees when waking up and the images he/she sees during dreams. According to this great sage of the modern century, the first one is daydream and the second one is a night dream. The usual philosophers say that mind and body are the two elements and mind is the source of all diverse thoughts. In the waking up state, the mind is active with all tensions and dissatisfactions, so happiness is missing: during sleep as the mind is absent and so is the physical world, the real happiness (5)_____. It is said that deep sleep, where there is no feeling of body, mind and the world, is the natural state of human beings.

Blank No. 1

1. problems
2. aspects
3. methods
4. angles

Blank No. 2

1. large
2. deep
3. superficial
4. depth

Blank No. 3

1. tells by
2. was said
3. saying
4. says

Blank No. 4

1. confused
2. reality
3. unreal
4. unimaginary

Blank No. 5

1. is gained
2. gains
3. gained
4. was gained

CLOZE TEST NO. 14

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Earthquake is the (1)_____ breaking and displacement of substantial portions of the earth's outer rocky crust. During an earthquake, rock disturbances can cause rivers to change their flow. Landslides (2)_____ by earthquakes can cause significant destruction and loss of life. Tsunamis are a (3)_____ of damaging waves caused by large earthquakes that occur under the ocean. Earthquakes rarely directly kill anyone. Many (4)_____ and injuries are caused by falling debris and the fall of structures. The (5)_____ of an earthquake relies on how much and how far rock cracks and shifts.

Blank No. 1

1. innovative
2. expansive
3. deliberate
4. abrupt

Blank No. 2

1. triggered
2. subdued
3. blocked
4. prevented

Blank No. 3

1. interruption
2. arrest
3. disorder
4. succession

Blank No. 4

1. survival
2. fatalities
3. durability
4. viability

Blank No. 5

1. depth
2. corpse
3. discipline
4. magnitude

**CLOZE TEST NO. 15**

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

(1) _____ a letter came to inform them that Raka's mother Tara had another breakdown and was in a nursing home in Geneva and that Raka's grandmother Asha, (2) _____ seen another grandchild safely into the world, was flying to Switzerland to be with her, Nanda Kaul (3) _____ her lips, (4) _____ the blue sheets of paper with that distasteful sprawl (5) _____ them, and hid them in her desk.

Blank No. 1

1. When
2. Sooner
3. For
4. Unless

Blank No. 2

1. have
2. has
3. had
4. having

Blank No. 3

1. stuck
2. dirt
3. dusted
4. pursed

Blank No. 4

1. folded up
2. cleared up
3. hid away
4. tucked away

Blank No. 5

1. across
2. at
3. in
4. by

CLOZE TEST NO. 16

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

I have a recurring dream. Actually, I have a few: one is about dismembering a body, I'd rather not get into it, but the (1) _____ pertinent one is about college. It's the end of the semester, and I suddenly (2) _____ that there is a class I forgot to attend, ever, and now I have to sit for the final exam. I wake up panicked, my GPA in peril. How could I have done this? Why do I so (3) _____ dissatisfy myself? Then I remember I haven't been in college in more than a decade. Someone with (4) _____ knowledge of my academic career might point out that this nightmare scenario is not that far removed from my actual collegiate experience, and that at certain times in my life, it did not take the magic of slumber to find me completely unprepared for a final. And, well, (5) _____ of what may or may not be true of my personal scholastic rigour, I suspect the schoolstress dream is quite a common one.

Blank No. 1

1. better
2. best
3. strong
4. more

Blank No. 2

1. realise
2. praise
3. offer
4. promise

Blank No. 3

1. unpredictability
2. consistently
3. conflictingly
4. clumsily

Blank No. 4

1. instigate
2. distant
3. remote
4. bleak

Blank No. 5

1. nevertheless
2. notwithstanding
3. regardless
4. inasmuch

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CLOZE TEST NO. 17

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

The adverse (1) _____ of climate change and environmental degradation are increasingly driving human mobility the world over, particularly in countries with high exposure and low (2) _____ capacity. While most climate-related mobility currently occurs within countries, desperation and deteriorating environments can also compel people to seek a livelihood elsewhere through (3) _____ migration. While climate change negatively impacts everyone, everywhere, those already in vulnerable situations due to geography, poverty, gender, age, disability, origin, or other status, including migrant women who (4) _____ climate-sensitive livelihoods, and children who are less able to survive extreme weather events, are at the greatest risk of suffering harm. It is (5) _____ to recognise this reality and take meaningful action to protect the human rights of those most affected by climate change, including migrants.

Blank No. 1

1. renounce
2. affects
3. effects
4. practice

Blank No. 2

1. adaptive
2. adoptive
3. minimum
4. affective

Blank No. 3

1. regard
2. fast
3. fixate
4. irregular

Blank No. 4

1. depend from
2. depend at
3. depend on
4. depend in

Blank No. 5

1. optional
2. secondary
3. resistant
4. imperative

CLOZE TEST NO. 18

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Rory Cooper was a top aide to former House Majority Leader Eric Cantor, the up-and-coming Virginia Republican who lost a 2014 House primary. He was also a prominent Never Trumper, openly (1)_____ how awful he found the 45th president. The cause Cooper has (2)_____ himself to for the past year, though, is closer to home. He is, as he puts it in his Twitter bio, 'Apparently Mr. Open the Schools'. A father of a fifth grader, a second grader and a kindergartner, Cooper is (3) _____ because the public schools in Fairfax, Virginia, where he lives, have not reopened. Fairfax, in the Washington, D.C., suburbs, is one of the school districts that has moved (4) _____ toward in-person learning, and it is still not close: only in the past few weeks have students started to return to classrooms, and only about half of those eligible have opted to go back, for an (5) _____ of two days a week.

Blank No. 1

1. frisking
2. skipping
3. detailing
4. ignoring

Blank No. 2

1. committed
2. pacified
3. sorted
4. isolated

Blank No. 3

1. indebted
2. provoked
3. excited
4. frustrated

Blank No. 4

1. plainest
2. slowest
3. longest
4. strangest

Blank No. 5

1. average
2. amount
3. ideal
4. understanding

CLOZE TEST NO. 19

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

The limbs of the flying squirrel are interlinked with a membrane. When the creature (1)_____ into the air, the membrane opens and the squirrel seems to (2)_____ swiftly downwards. This movement gives the (3)_____ of flight. However, it is not flying really.

It is a (4)_____ in the air from a higher level. It is also noteworthy that a squirrel cannot (5)_____ its direction while it is in flying mode.

Blank No. 1

1. spring
2. cross
3. hurdle
4. leaps

Blank No. 2

1. skate
2. skim
3. wheel
4. glide

Blank No. 3

1. affect
2. suspicion
3. fancy
4. impression

Blank No. 4

1. progress
2. motion
3. sign
4. wave

Blank No. 5

1. adopt
2. replace
3. adept
4. swap

CLOZE TEST NO. 20

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

This Diwali is more significant because we are going to celebrate it after three years, without the evil shadow of Covid-19 that (1)_____ looming over all festivities. The lockdowns and endless bad news of death and (2)_____ had turned our country into a zone of gloom. But, this season of Diwali (3)_____ all the sorrows of people by lighting the candle of hope in their lives. We can see the lights, the candles, the lanterns, and the busy people coming out of their houses and purchasing toys for their children. Let's (4)_____ those people who have made such a huge contribution to (5)_____ good thoughts and saving people's lives.

Blank No. 1

1. is
2. were
3. are
4. was

Blank No. 2

1. economic boom
2. demonetisation
3. disease
4. new birth

Blank No. 3

1. had recognised
2. has hovered
3. has shed
4. has adopted

Blank No. 4

1. salute
2. berate
3. terminate
4. onerous

Blank No. 5

1. stagnating
2. impeding
3. implicating
4. spreading

CLOZE TEST NO. 21

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

According to a poll conducted in 2018–19 by an online internship and training platform, (1)_____ number of businesses actively (2)_____ intern profiles has increased over the previous five years. This study demonstrates that India received 80% more internship applications in 2018, with 2.2 million applications (3)_____ 1.27 million in 2017. The rise was influenced (4)_____ part by an increase in the number of

industries seeking fresh perspectives and innovative ideas to improve (5) _____ on existing projects. Obtaining an internship prior to entering the job market, which was once viewed as a Western concept, is quickly gaining steam in Indian workplaces.

Blank No. 1

1. few
2. a
3. the
4. an

Blank No. 2

1. seeking
2. neglecting
3. declining
4. reducing

Blank No. 3

1. similar to
2. according to
3. compared to
4. combine to

Blank No. 4

1. on
2. to
3. up
4. in

Blank No. 5

1. effecting
2. effortless
3. efficiencies
4. efficient

CLOZE TEST NO. 22

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

When Ojeya Cruz Banks moved to Ohio from New Zealand (1) _____ years ago, she was overwhelmed by the logistics of uprooting her life. But Cruz Banks, a Denison University professor and a single mom, who is also my neighbour and friend, was (2) _____ to find a house next to a public elementary school. She assumed that she would be able to walk to pick up her daughter, a needed convenience given that she didn't yet have a car. Unfortunately, when she went to register her daughter for kindergarten, she was met with an (3) _____ surprise: The only (4) _____ option was a half-day program that would bus students to a day-care centre on the outskirts of the town for the afternoon. The district did offer a limited number of full-day slots, but those had all been claimed in a lottery earlier that spring and came with a tuition cost. "I was like, 'Cost me? What? Public school costs money here?'" she told me. Many parents across the United States, like Cruz Banks, may assume that free, full-day kindergarten is a (5) _____ part of the country's public education system. I was one of them, until my youngest had to enter our district's lottery several months ago. When he was assigned to the half-day program, I swung between alarm and frustration.

Blank No. 1.

1. several
2. particular
3. enormous
4. immense

Blank No. 2.

1. distraught
2. dispassionate
3. relieved
4. worried

Blank No. 3.

1. agreeable
2. unpleasant
3. amusing
4. enjoyable

Blank No. 4

1. futile
2. available
3. nonviable
4. inaccessible

Blank No. 5

1. disapproved
2. ceaseless
3. inessential
4. required

CLOZE TEST NO. 23

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Recently, the (1)_____ of heart-attacks in young Indi(2)_____ increased tremendously. Doctors are surprised to note that young men and women with seemingly healthy lifestyle are suffering deadly heart attacks. (3)_____ diet and exercise play a (4)_____ role in a person's overall wellbeing, mental health is also a valuable factor. The (5)_____ urban lifestyle is causing anxiety and depression in young Indiwhich may be a major factor behind the increased numbers.

Blank No. 1

1. amount
2. number
3. percent
4. height

Blank No. 2

1. have been
2. had
3. has
4. have

Blank No. 3

1. Since
2. Although
3. In spite of
4. However

Blank No. 4

1. historic
2. epic
3. monumen-
tal
4. increased

Blank No. 5

1. fast-paced
2. cosmic
3. rapidly
4. wilderness

CLOZE TEST NO. 24

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Augmented reality and virtual reality are two types of reality technologies that either augment or replace a real-world environment with a (1)_____ one. In augmented reality, a virtual environment coexists (2)_____ the actual world, to be instructive and offer more data about the real world that a user can access without having to search. When a handset is pointed at a piece of malfunctioning (3)_____, for example, industrial AR apps might provide rapid troubleshooting information. Virtual reality is a (4)_____ environmental simulation that completely replaces the user's surroundings with a totally virtual world. For example, VR may provide a user with a box containing a cartoon (5)_____ of Mike Tyson in a virtual boxing ring.

Blank No. 1

1. simulated
2. catered
3. revealed
4. suffocated

Blank No. 2

1. with
2. behind
3. along
4. beyond

Blank No. 3

1. equipment
2. arsenal
3. outfit
4. baggage

Blank No. 4

1. comprehensive
2. conclusive
3. transgressive
4. reprehensive

Blank No. 5

1. glossary
2. network
3. rendition
4. resistance

CLOZE TEST NO. 25

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Culture is (1)_____, understanding, and protecting, like the cultivation of a garden, not the destruction or eradication of its roots. Understanding the roots and seeds, taking much care and providing instructed nourishment (2)_____ important for good gardening. Culture also is similar; understanding its acquaintance (3)_____ literature and art and careful protection are required. Culture is the way of life of a particular society in which a group of people live together in one place. The society's culture is visible in its literature, arts, social system, language and religion. It is a combination of traditions, customs, institutions, food habits, manners, morals, thoughts, tastes, views and beliefs. Usually, families (4)_____ culture to the younger generations. As family system is becoming weak, schools, colleges and universities should take up this responsibility as education should promote potential values of its culture. The role of universities (5)_____ only to issue course completed certificates.

Blank No. 1

1. creation
2. to create
3. create
4. creating

Blank No. 2

1. is
2. were
3. was
4. are

Blank No. 3

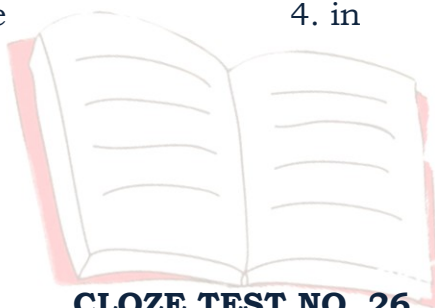
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2. on
3. with
4. in

Blank No. 4

1. transmitting
2. transmitted
3. transmit
4. transmits

Blank No. 5

1. should be restricted
2. restrict
3. should restricted
4. should not be restricted



CLOZE TEST NO. 26

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

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Music is perhaps the most popular and widely practised (1)_____ of fine arts, transcending all kinds of cultural and linguistic barriers. Any form of fine art is (2)_____ to master and almost impossible to perfect, and music is no exception. Nature, it is learnt, has blessed almost two-thirds of the human race with musical ability of some sort. Music has the power to (3)_____ out the deepest emotions. In fact, it is a magic medicine, and many seek refuge in it when they are depressed or stressed. It is this intimacy that makes us listen to music (4)_____ even hum or sing sometimes. This singing, or realistically speaking, expressing one's emotion musically sometimes takes a serious turn. The desire to sing before an audience is innocent and beautiful, and indeed, it is perfectly alright to have such a genuine desire. But it is also important to understand that singing is an (5)_____ art—a highly refined one at that, which requires systematic, prolonged and strict training to be acceptable.

Blank No. 1

1. format
2. substance
3. form
4. design

Blank no. 2.

1. difficult
2. irksome
3. serious
4. easy

Blank no. 3

1. bring
2. catalyse
3. yield
4. effect

Blank no. 4

1. or
2. neither
3. nor
4. either

Blank no. 5

1. uncomplicated
2. uniform
3. mixed
4. intricate

CLOZE TEST NO. 27

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

The Human Development Index (HDI) is a summary (1) _____ of average accomplishment in important areas of human development, (2) _____ living a long and healthy life, being informed and having a good quality of living. The HDI is the geometric mean of the normalised (3) _____ for each dimension. The health component is (4) _____ by life expectancy at birth, while the education dimension is measured by the average number of years of schooling for individuals aged 25 and above, as well as the (5) _____ number of years of schooling for school-age children.

Blank No. 1

1. regiment
2. assessment
3. involvement
4. collect

Blank No. 2

1. segregating
2. exaggerating
3. including
4. manifesting

Blank No. 3

1. features
2. contents
3. indices
4. glimpses

Blank No. 4

1. levitated
2. escaped
3. triggered
4. measured

Blank No. 5

1. accompanied
2. hypnotised
3. predicted
4. neglected

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CLOZE TEST NO. 28

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

The mathematician Federico Ardila-Mantilla grew up in Colombia, an (1) _____ student but gifted in math. He was failing most of his classes at his high school in Bogotá when someone (2) _____ him to apply to MIT. He had not heard of the school. To his surprise, he got in, and he went on scholarship. Mathematically, he did well. One of his professors, an acid-tongued theoretician known to (3) _____ his audience to a herd of cows, routinely tucked 'open' math problems into homework assignments, without telling the students. These had never been solved by anyone. Ardila solved one. He went on to receive his bachelor's and Ph.D. in math from MIT. But his academic experience was also one of isolation. Part of it had to do with his own (4) _____. Part of it was cultural. As a Latino, he was very much in the minority in the department, and he did not feel comfortable in American mathematical spaces. No one had tried to explicitly (5) _____ him, yet he felt alone. In math, collaborating with others opens up new kinds of learning and thinking. But in his nine years at MIT, Ardila worked with others only twice.

Blank No. 1

1. apprehensive
2. apologetic
3. indifferent
4. excellent

Blank No. 2

1. dissuaded
2. suggested
3. removed
4. dispirited

Blank No. 3

1. compare
2. malign
3. strangulate
4. differentiate

Blank No. 4

1. introversion
2. molestation
3. quantification
4. interrogation

Blank No. 5

1. exclude
2. fabricate
3. incorporate
4. stratify

CLOZE TEST NO. 29

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option, in the questions that follow, to fill in each blank.

A dance which is created or choreographed and performed according (1)_____ the tenets of the Natya Shastra is called a classical dance. The two broad (2)_____ of classical dancing are the tandava and the lasya. Power and force are typical of the tandava; grace and delicacy of the lasya. Tandava is (3)_____ with Shiva, and lasya with Parvati. Dance which is pure movement is called nritya, and dance which is (4)_____ in nature is called nritya. A dancer, in the classical tradition, has to have years of training before he or she can begin to perform on the stage. The four main (5)_____ of classical dancing in India are : Bharat Natyam, Kathakali, Manipuri, Kathak .Bharat Natyam is the oldest and most popular dance-form of India.

Blank No. 1

1. to
2. for
3. of
4. with

Blank No. 2

1. criteria
2. options
3. display
4. aspects

Blank No. 3

1. renovate
2. informed
3. flourished
4. associated

Blank No. 4

1. vegetative
2. commodious
3. haphazard
4. interpretative

Blank No. 5

1. terminologies
2. schools
3. characters
4. functions

CLOZE TEST NO. 30

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option, in the questions that follow, to fill in each blank.

Listening starts with hearing but goes (1)_____. Hearing, in other words, is necessary, but is not a sufficient (2)_____ for listening. Listening involves hearing with attention. Listening is a process that (3)_____ concentration. While listening, one should also be observant. In other words, listening has to do with the ears, (4)_____ with the eyes and the mind. Listening is to be understood as the total

process that involves hearing with attention, being observant and making interpretations. Good communication is essentially a/an (5)_____ process.

Blank No. 1

1. towards
2. across
3. beyond
4. throughout

Blank No. 2

1. place
2. decorum
3. condition
4. scenario

Blank No. 3

1. calls for
2. disposes of
3. takes for
4. brings up

Blank No. 4

1. although
2. rather
3. as well as
4. yet

Blank No. 5

1. onerous
2. obnoxious
3. interactive
4. pecuniary

CLOZE TEST NO. 31

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

The Kuno Palpur National Park, located in Madhya Pradesh's Chambal (1)_____, has an area of 750 square kilometres. It now has leopards, jackals, spotted deer, sambhar, neelgai, chinkara, wild boar, and four-horned antelope, making it a perfect (2)_____ base for felids. Despite strong objections from Gujarat, which (3)_____ that lions were part of the state's heritage, that MP had a poor (4)_____ in wildlife management, and that Kuno Palpur had other big cat species that would (5)_____ lion relocation, the sanctuary was chosen for the lion reintroduction project in 2013.

Blank No. 1

1. reason
2. region
3. reign
4. river

Blank No. 2

1. guard
2. fun
3. aid
4. prey

Blank No. 3

1. restricted
2. accused
3. claimed
4. adjourned

Blank No. 4

1. summary
2. gaze
3. record
4. loss

Blank No. 5

1. Innocuous
2. Jeopardise
3. channelise
4. safeguard

CLOZE TEST NO. 32

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

We naturally seek the company of those whose (1) _____ are the same as our own. Fools do not like the (2) _____ of wise men, and wise men avoid fools. Serious-minded people do not find much in common with (3) _____ folk, and vice versa. Sinners feel uncomfortable with (4) _____ and do not seek their company. We can, therefore, as a rule, judge a man's (5) _____ by the company he keeps.

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Blank No. 1

1. organisations
2. institutes
3. apathy
4. tastes

Blank No. 2

1. company
2. culture
3. serious
4. antagonist

Blank No. 3

1. solemn
2. thoughtful
3. grave
4. frivolous

Blank No. 4

1. knave
2. rowdy
3. saints
4. commoners

Blank No. 5

1. futurities
2. character
3. heirloom
4. legacy

CLOZE TEST NO. 33

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

The rise in global temperature (1)_____ already occurred is leading to extreme weather events that bring (2)_____ heat waves and droughts, devastating floods and increasingly powerful hurricanes and tropical storms. The combination of these factors methe impact on human health is increasing and is (3)_____ accelerate. But there is room for hope, particularly if governments take action now to (4)_____ the pledges made at Glasgow in November 2021 and to go further in resolving the climate crisis. WHO is (5)_____ governments to lead a just, equitable, and fast phase out of fossil fuels and transition to a clean energy future.

Blank No. 1

1. which had
2. that is
3. which have
4. that has

Blank No. 2

1. intense
2. mild
3. maximise
4. minor

Blank No. 3

1. rarely to
2. likely to
3. barely to
4. hardly to

Blank No. 4

1. honour
2. take
3. watch
4. keep

Blank No. 5

1. calling at
2. calling on
3. calling for
4. calling from

CLOZE TEST NO. 34

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

2022 sees us entering a third year of the pandemic, and the harm 1_____ children is increasingly evident: A record rise in child poverty. Setbacks to progress on 2_____ vaccinations. Disruption to education for entire generation. That harm 3_____ as an unintended side effect of the world's efforts to manage the crisis. COVID has been a uniquely dis-equalizing crisis. Lopsided 4_____ vaccines aside, learning losses have been greatest among poorest children, and job losses have been disproportionately borne by women and youth. What next for the world's children in the year ahead? As in the

past two years, prospects for children will continue to hinge 5_____ on the pandemic and how it is managed.

Blank No. 1.

1. did to
2. done to
3. does to
4. seems to

Blank No. 2.

1. different
2. irregular
3. routine
4. similar

Blank No. 3.

1. had emerged
2. has emerged
3. have emerged
4. was emerged

Blank No. 4

1. keeps to
2. access to
3. seems to
4. assess to

Blank No. 5

1. almost
2. minor
3. foremost
4. most

CLOZE TEST NO. 35

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Social media companies (1)_____ claim that they promote democracy and are dedicated to the empowerment of ordinary individuals. The assertion (2)_____ entirely unfounded. Recent history shows how (3)_____ citizens have been mobilised against totalitarian regimes on social networking sites. Starting from MeToo to Black Lives Matter, digital networks (4)_____ indispensable in bringing together critical voices against social and political (5)_____.

Blank No. 1.

1. frequently
2. seldom
3. never
4. don't

Blank No. 2.

1. cannot
2. should
3. shall
4. may not be

Blank No. 3.

1. alien
2. common
3. neutral
4. foreign

Blank No. 4

1. can
2. were
3. that
4. have been

Blank No. 5

1. election
2. democracy
3. injustice
4. justice

CLOZE TEST NO. 36

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Global warming is a major problem. The result will be the problems created by the rising temperatures of the Arctic region. As a result of global warming, (1)_____ in rainfall and plant distribution affect the migration patterns, feeding behaviour, and breeding preferences of numerous bird species. The increase in the temperature may also alter ocean currents, which may alter the (2)_____ ecology as a whole. Greenhouse gas emissions are responsible for the ongoing melting of the Arctic. This will result in a (3)_____ loop since greenhouse gases trap the heat in the atmosphere and

the additional emissions may (4)_____ the global warming process. Now, the only way to reverse the harm is for every person to be environmentally sensitive. This may offer us hope that we will be able to leave a green planet to our future generations, who presently appear to face (5)_____.

Blank No. 1

1. Stabilization
2. Stagnation
3. Fixation
4. alterations

Blank No. 2

1. grassland
2. biosphere
3. marine
4. landscape

Blank No. 3

1. feeble
2. gentle
3. vicious
4. moderate

Blank No. 4

1. hinder
2. repress
3. restrain
4. accelerate

Blank No. 5

1. renovation
2. extinction
3. redemption
4. salvation



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CLOZE TEST 3 : 1,1,4,1,1

CLOZE TEST 4 : 1,2,2,2,1

CLOZE TEST 5 : ,1,2,4,1,1

CLOZE TEST 6 : 2,1,4,1,2

CLOZE TEST 7 : 2,1,2,2,2

CLOZE TEST 8 : 4,4,1,4,1

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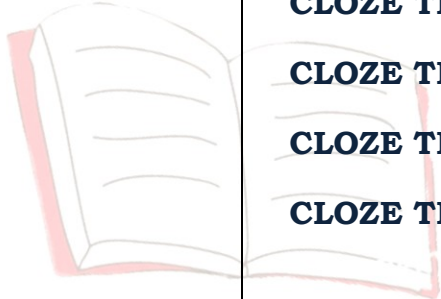
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