

SBI Clerk Prelims Memory Based Paper 2025 (On 21st Sept. _IInd Shift)

Directions (1-5): In the sentences, four words are in bold and numbered from A to D, which are the possible pairs to be interchanged. Choose the pair(s) of words that need(s) to be interchanged to make the sentence grammatically correct and meaningful.

- The team worked **important (A)** into the night, carefully **looming (B)** every detail to ensure the **late (C)** project was completed before the **reviewing (D)** deadline.
A. Only B – C
B. Only A – B
C. Both A – C & B – D
D. Both A – B & C – D
E. No interchange required
- The teacher, known for her **gentle (A)** nature and inspiring lectures, always **critically (B)** her students to think **encouraged, (C)** ask questions, and never be afraid of **making (D)** mistakes.
A. Only C – D
B. Only B – C
C. Both A – D & B – C
D. Both A – B & C – D
E. No interchange required
- The committee **meticulously (A)** reviewed every proposal to **ensure (B)** that the new policy would **members (C)** the majority of the community **benefit (D)**.
A. Only A – C
B. Only B – D
C. Only C – D
D. Both A – C & B – D
E. No interchange required
- While **past (A)** the ancient ruins, the archaeologists **revealed (B)** artifacts that **uncovered (C)** fascinating insights into **exploring (D)** civilizations.
A. Only B – C
B. Only A – D
C. Both A – C & B – D
D. Both A – D & B – C
E. No interchange required
- The company's recent **innovations (A)** have significantly **improved (B)** both the efficiency of **production (C)** and the quality of the **final (D)** products.
A. Only A – C
B. Only C – D
C. Both A – B & C – D
D. Both A – D & B – C
E. No interchange required

Directions (6-10): In each of the following questions, a sentence has been divided into four parts (A), (B), (C), and (D). One of these parts contains a grammatical or contextual error. Find out which part has an error and mark it as your answer. If the sentence is correct as it is, then mark option (e) as your answer.

- (A) He admired the way the author / (B) conveyed up deep emotions through subtle/ (C) gestures and dialogue, making each character / (D) feel vividly real and relatable.
A. A
B. B
C. C
D. D
E. No Error
- (A) Technology, which continues to evolve at a rapid pace, / (B) now influences nearly every aspect of daily life, / (C) includes how people communicate, shop, and / (D) access information around the world.
A. A
B. B
C. C
D. D
E. No Error
- (A) When the queue at the concert venue stretched / (B) around the block, he brings a book to read, knowing / (C) that it would take an exceptionally long time / (D) for him to finally reach the ticket counter.
A. A
B. B
C. C
D. D
E. No Error

9. (A) The symphony, which had captivated audiences across the country, / (B) was performed once again in the / (C) city's renowned music hall, receiving enthusiastic / (D) applause from critics and first-time listeners alike.
A. A B. B C. C D. D E. No Error
10. (A) Although she had planned to wake up early and / (B) finish her assignment before breakfast, an unexpected / (C) phone call altered her schedule and / (D) forced her to adapt quick to the new circumstances.
A. A B. B C. C D. D E. No Error

Directions (11-19): Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

The oceans cover more than 70% of Earth's surface, yet much of them remain unexplored. Ocean research has become increasingly important as scientists attempt to understand the complex ecosystems that exist beneath the waves. Studying the ocean helps researchers monitor climate change, track marine species, and identify potential resources for human use. Advanced technology, such as remotely operated vehicles (ROVs) and underwater drones, allows scientists to study areas that were previously inaccessible.

One key **approach** to ocean research involves mapping the seafloor. By using sonar and satellite imaging, researchers can create detailed maps of underwater terrain. These maps reveal underwater mountains, valleys, and trenches, providing valuable insight into geological processes. Understanding the seafloor is essential not only for navigation and resource management but also for predicting natural events like tsunamis.

Another area of focus is the study of **deep**-sea ecosystems. Many marine organisms live at extreme depths, where sunlight does not penetrate. Studying these organisms helps scientists understand how life can adapt to harsh conditions and reveals new biological compounds that may be useful in medicine. Deep-sea exploration also uncovers previously unknown species, broadening our knowledge of Earth's biodiversity.

Ocean research is a collaborative effort, involving international organizations, universities, and governments. Researchers share data and resources to gain a comprehensive understanding of the oceans. As technological advances continue, scientists hope to uncover more secrets of the deep, contributing to environmental conservation and sustainable management of marine resources.

11. What is the primary focus of ocean research as mentioned in the passage?
A. Space exploration B. Understanding ecosystems and resources
C. Building submarines D. Mining the ocean floor
E. Studying human activity only
12. Which technology allows scientists to explore previously inaccessible ocean areas?
A. Telescopes B. Satellites only
C. Remotely operated vehicles (ROVs) and underwater drones
D. Submarines exclusively E. GPS
13. What does the word "**approach**" in the passage most closely mean?
A. Technique B. Movement toward C. Distance D. Barrier
E. Theory

14. Which tool is mentioned for creating detailed maps of the seafloor?
 A. Binoculars B. Sonar and satellite imaging C. Diving suits
 D. Submarines only E. Radar
15. What type of marine organisms live at extreme depths where sunlight does not reach?
 A. Coastal species B. Shallow water fish C. Coral reef species
 D. Migratory birds E. Deep-sea organisms
16. What is the main purpose of studying deep-sea organisms?
 A. To build underwater cities B. To increase tourism
 C. To understand adaptation and discover biological compounds
 D. To monitor ship traffic E. To measure ocean temperature only
17. The word "**deep**" in the passage most nearly means:
 A. Shallow B. Intense emotion C. Wide
 D. Far below the surface E. High altitude
18. Ocean research involves collaboration among which groups?
 A. Only governments B. International organizations, universities, and governments
 C. Private companies exclusively D. Fishermen only E. Military organizations only
19. Why is mapping the seafloor important?
 A. It helps in painting ocean landscapes B. It prevents storms
 C. It improves the taste of seafood D. It increases tourism
 E. It assists in predicting natural events and managing resources

Directions (20-24): In each of the question given below, a statement has been given with a blank. Some words have been given in the options following the statement. Choose the most appropriate word that could fit in the statement to make it contextually meaningful and grammatically correct.

20. The bilateral trade agreement was lauded for its potential to _____ economic growth, yet critics warned about possible trade imbalances that could undermine long-term stability.
 A. thwart B. impede C. hinder D. undermine E. catalyze
21. Despite repeated warnings, the company continued to operate in ways that could _____ environmental regulations and attract legal penalties.
 A. violate B. uphold C. respect D. preserve E. follow
22. India's technology sector has experienced exponential growth due to the country's skilled workforce and progressive policies, making it a _____ hub for global software exports.
 A. marginal B. preeminent C. negligible D. insipid E. clandestine
23. Analysts predict that fostering international partnerships and investing in logistics infrastructure will significantly enhance India's export competitiveness, potentially rendering it a _____ force in the global marketplace.
 A. feeble B. impotent C. formidable D. trivial E. inconsequential



24. The new government policy aims to _____ small businesses by providing tax incentives and reducing regulatory burdens.
A. stifle B. burden C. obstruct D. support E. discourage

Directions (25-29): Rearrange the following six sentences A, B, C, D, E and F in the proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph, and then answer the questions given below them.

(A) Over time, Walmart's relentless focus on reducing costs and passing on the benefits to customers disrupted the traditional retail landscape in the United States.

(B) In recent years, the company has also heavily invested in e-commerce, acquiring platforms and expanding its online presence to compete with rivals like Amazon.

(C) Today, Walmart operates thousands of stores worldwide, serving millions of customers daily and generating billions in annual revenue.

(D) Walmart, an American multinational retail corporation, was founded in 1962 by Sam Walton in Rogers, Arkansas.

(E) Its core strategy was to provide a wide selection of goods at consistently low prices, making retail more affordable for communities across America.

(F) Despite criticism regarding labor practices and community impact, Walmart has maintained its dominance by continuously adapting to market trends and consumer behavior.

25. Which of the following is the **second** sentence after rearrangement?
A. E B. B C. F D. C E. D
26. Which of the following is the **concluding** sentence after rearrangement?
A. A B. D C. C D. E E. F
27. Which of the following is the **fourth** sentence after rearrangement?
A. C B. B C. A D. F E. E
28. Which of the following is the **first** sentence after rearrangement?
A. A B. F C. E D. C E. D
29. Which of the following is the last but **one** sentence after rearrangement?
A. E B. C C. A D. F E. D

Directions (30): In the following question, a word has been used in four different ways. Choose the option corresponding to the sentence in which the usage of the word is incorrect.

30. Sow
A. Environmental activists hope to **sow** awareness about climate change through community workshops.
B. The farmer decided to **sow** corn seeds across the field before the rainy season.
C. He **sowed** the keys on the table before leaving the house.
D. Negative rumors can quickly **sow** distrust among friends if left unchecked.
A. Only A B. Only B C. Only C D. Both A & C E. All are correct

ANSWER KEYS SBICLK PRE - (1)

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ANS.	A	B	C	D	A	C	B	E	D	C										

