

## Solutions

### 1. Paragraphs

1. (2). In the paragraph the author suggests why the doctor loses some of his patients. Option 5 can be easily eliminated as the pronoun “these” has no antecedent in the para. Option 3 & 4 are farfetched as they are to do with the doctor’s attitude towards the problem, which the para does not indicate in any way. Option 1 can also be done away with as it suggests those patients who fail to speak up and not about those who leave his treatment, as indicated in the para. Option 2 fits in perfectly as it speaks of those who have no other alternative but to seek his treatment.

2. (4). Options 1 and 3 are very generalized statements. Option 2 is a repetition of the idea presented in the beginning of the paragraph. The para talks about how developed countries indulge in trade protectionism as a move against China and India’s economic rise , under the guise of climate concern. Option 4 and 5 talk about the same thing but 4 goes along with the subtle suggestive tone of the para while 5 is more curt in its accusation of ‘perpetrators of inequity’.

3. (2) The para is a description of the Jewry settlement,. (4) can be eliminated as it brings in a hint of skepticism. (3) is a mere repetition of an idea already discussed in the para (that of jews being tolerant). (5) can also be eliminated as it is brings an alien concept – that of Mattancherry’s popularity with the tourists . Between (1) and (2), we will eliminate (1) as it has a more conclusive tone, which is not in sync with the descriptive nature of the paragraph.

4. (5) Option 1 can be easily eliminated as it is a mere repetition of the ideas presented in the para. Option 2 is a little farfetched as it should come one or two more sentences later in the para . Option 3 does not match with the idea presented in the passage. Option 4 does not match with the tone of the paragraph. Option 5 completes the idea as the emphasis in the last line of the para is that the idea of ‘pure Western and pure Indian thoughts’ is deceptive.

5. The paragraph in the last line is trying to generate an idea of personification. From the last 3 lines of the paragraph we can understand, that its tough to give macro level stories from the perspective of the macro level participants. So its textual device we use to make it more comprehensible. **Answer is The personification of a whole organization is a textual device we use to make macro-level theories more comprehensible.**

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6. <http://www.thenewatlantis.com/archive/10/rosen.htm>

Answer is Yet, despite these technical developments, photographs still remain powerful because they are reminders of the people and things we care about.

7. [http://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/reader/034911675X/ref=sib\\_fs\\_top/203-6565312-3963140?ie=UTF8&p=S009&checkSum=luah%2B7H%2F1myv2wCcyYCSQPycqkdMA64J6Uvy67PuCIE%3D#readerlink](http://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/reader/034911675X/ref=sib_fs_top/203-6565312-3963140?ie=UTF8&p=S009&checkSum=luah%2B7H%2F1myv2wCcyYCSQPycqkdMA64J6Uvy67PuCIE%3D#readerlink)

No inventory would ever include those, of course, as per the source.

8. The author tries to defend himself by saying that he never imposes rules. He gives as a couple of examples of his suggestions and questions whether a person would call it a ‘rule’. As the passage is defensive in tone choice 3 is the most appropriate which says that he gives only suggestions. Choice (3)

9. The passage explains the kind of differences that exist between the components in the supply chain, (ie. production to distribution to consumer). The nature of the differences result in a system lacking commitment on the part of the components, and lacking transparency. The para is best closed with the option that points to the logical result of such a situation – that is provided in choice 5 ‘everyone loses in the long run’. Choice 1 is inappropriate since, in ‘deal-making’, the customer would have his own satisfaction in mind. Choice 2 brings in circumstances that would follow in continuation. Choice 3 brings in a thought contrary to to tone of the paragraph Choice 4 is not relevant to the content of the paragraph. Choice (5)

10. All the choices provided seem to follow from the last line of the passage. However, since the statement indicates what is professed, the contradiction would be in the intentions behind that – best expressed in choice (2). In addition, choice 2 is the only sentence that corresponds to the singular “every active player” – all the other sentences use plurals. Choice (2)

11. The relationship between a person’s age and his likelihood of exploiting new opportunities is presented in the passage. When people gain more knowledge and experience they try to exploit new opportunities. However, as they grow even older they try to avoid risks and become less receptive to new ideas. Hence at an advanced age, a person becomes reluctant to exploit new opportunities as he wants to avoid risks. Choice 2 can be eliminated as it categorically states that they are reluctant to ‘experiment with new ideas’. Since the context is of ‘entrepreneurial opportunity’ choice 4 becomes better as the concluding line. Choice 1 can be ruled out because the focus of the passage is on exploitation of opportunity whereas this option talks of ‘transmit more information’ and ‘experiment with new ideas’. Choice 3 says people with lower opportunity cost exploit opportunity when they became old whereas the passage says that ‘as people become older ..... Less receptive to new information’. Choice 5 introduces a new concept of ‘credibility’ which is inappropriate in the concluding line. Choice (4)

12. The passage compares maps with theories. Good maps give only the ‘most important features’ and leave out less valuable information. So too are good theories. Choice 2 categorically states that good theories ‘will never represent unfamiliar concepts’ whereas a concept being familiar or unfamiliar depends on a person’s knowledge. Choice 3 can be ruled out because the passage does not talk of balancing details with feasibility of representation. Choice 4 cannot be the answer because maps don’t have to become abstract to be accurate. Choice 5 is not the answer because the para has not mentioned a user so far. Choice (1)

13. 1 The paragraph highlights the points of difference between Sudoku and a crossword.

14. 2 If experts are missing, then the result would be mediocrity.

15. 3 The idea of minnow is continued and contradicted.

16. 1 We cannot reach the frontier, hence we should be humble.

17. CD is a clear connection. Statement A talks of highly educated women being in stronger position in the labour market and having higher rates of marriage. This is conveniently followed by E stating "Indeed, just as crime....economic approach to the evolution of family structures". This is followed by B stating "some works support..." "CD is a link with "And, as with crime.." and But regardless of the conclusion.." **Answer is EBCD.**

18. A states “personal experience...” and this is ideally followed by E which states “In addition...” and then this is verified by D which states “the contrasting...” CB is a clue as C talk of contemporary and modern discourses and B continues with may exist in parallel to other equally dominant discourses. **Answer is EDBC.**

19. Statement A starts with Indonesia experiencing dramatic shifts after Soeharto.. The main clue in the question was use of Reformasi which is deduced to be a paper. So B has to come after C which talks of the mass media...Also DE is connected as D talks of the view points of donors and external analysts followed by E which talks of the scepticism of a different group of analysts. So with CB and DE, e get (2) as the option. **Answer is CBDE.** [www.linkinghub.elsevier.com/retrieve/pii/S0305750X07000770](http://www.linkinghub.elsevier.com/retrieve/pii/S0305750X07000770)

20. AC and BED were clues. Since A talks about the author's land being occupied by Squatters and C continues by explaining who the squatters were, statement talks about maize being grown by the squatters and e continues with the cultivation of the maize and D ends with The Kikuyu also growing sweet potatoes and pumpkins. **Answer is CBED.**

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21. 2 The paragraph should start with E, which is an introductory statement.

22. 4 The idea of neglect (C) is continued from B, hence (4).

23. 2 The paragraph is about modern finance (E) which continues in B.

24. 1 D is the opening line, being further explained/exemplified. E and A contain a contrast between the ideas of enjoyment and brutality. Lines A and C are referring to the same Labour party.

25. 3 E-C-D are logically interconnected while A-B present a contrast.

26. 2 C-E-D make a logical trio. B further extends the idea.

27. 1 D and A are in chronological order. E carries forward the idea of A and again C presents a related fact about the whole thing.

28. 2 A very definitive hint is the logical link between A-D. B is a brilliant opening remark, hence the option  
 29. 1 D explains what E means. C and B are logically interconnected.  
 30. 4 The right sequence would be one having E-D-B because they refer to chronological events.  
 31. 4 E-C are logically interconnected while B makes for a good contrast with C.

32. 1 In these questions, the idea is to assess whether you can grasp the essentials, leaving out secondary things, of a piece of writing. The right option should encompass the basic idea, giving it a prominent position, while relegating the less important details.

33. 1  
 34. 2  
 35. 2

## 2. Grammar & CR

1. (1) Sentence A is incorrect as the spelling of 'imigrant' is not correct, should be 'immigrant'. Sentence D is incorrect because of a missing article and should be 'the owner of a dry goods ....'. Sentence E is incorrect and should be '..... would later be known as.....'. Sentence C is incorrect. We require a comma between 'brother-in-law' and 'David Stern'.

2. (4) Sentence B should be '....its labour policy' because the subject is Nike and we can't substitute it with the plural pronoun 'their'. Sentence C should be 'Perhaps sensing that the rising tide...' as without 'that' the sentence structure is incomplete. Sentence E should be ' ....an industry..' as the word industry begins with a vowel so the appropriate article is 'an'.

3. (3) Sentence B should be '...few millions....' Sentence D should be '... reach the hundreds who are marooned..'. Sentence E is incorrect as per subject verb agreement and should be '...death count has begun'.

4. (1) Sentence B has tense inconsistency, it should be '...I associated you...'. Sentence C has a similar error and should be '....who seemed...'. Sentence D has an error of modifier placement and should be '...not in the least curious..' Sentence E has a missing article, should be '...you did make an effort...'.

5. A is incorrect because "returned to" is wrong. We can simply say returned home. B is the case of redundancy. On and about used together is incorrect. Then, "The same" should be there instead of "that same". D is wrong; we need a comma after 'a Shaliach'. **Answer is E only.**

6. A seems to be correct but since the answer options do not include A in them, we are forced to choose the only appropriate one, i.e B only. C is incorrect, hyphen is not required. Instead, Semi-colon should be used. D is incorrect, because hyphen is not required and can be rewritten as how to go by a temporary stimulus. In statement E, we need to use effect (a change which is a result or consequence of an action or other cause) and not Affect (have an effect on; make a difference to). **Answer is B only.**

7. In statement A the word "democratic" should be preceded by an article "the". In statement C the phrase "...have been handed..." should be replaced by "...have been handed over...". In statement E is explicitly incorrect. **Answer is B & D.**

8. 2 B is wrong "As the project..." and C is wrong: "plurality with a ..."  
 9. 3 B is wrong: "causing them to..." and C is wrong: "an offending chemical..."  
 10. 2 B is wrong: "Rarely has..." and C is wrong: "complete spectrum."  
 11. 3 B is wrong: "the Enlightenment..." and D: "number of people goes..."

12. In the first statement, the words "seems to be" indicate that it is somebody's personal opinion. In the second statement, that we are not doing the things that make us happy is just one person's opinion that could be challenged by another. In statement 3, the words "this is the stuff that joyful living is made of" indicate that is somebody's opinion. What joyful living is made of could vary in somebody else's opinion. In statement 4, "each moment is a celebration of you" is an opinion because when something happens, each person is affected in a different way. Hence what follows after something happens is one person's personal opinion, which might differ from another's.

13. In statement 1 the author's perception of the poor quality of service in the public sector, and his suggestion that the affected should switch to private initiatives, make it a judgement. In the second statement, the words 'has been' and 'is', and the data provided, indicate that it is a fact. In statement 3, the words 'would lead' indicate that it is an inference, based on the initiatives taken by networks and companies. In statement 4 'how ironic it is' indicates the author's opinion, therefore a judgement.

14. In the first statement, a conclusion is drawn based on known facts - statistical indications show that the institution has kept pace with its goals. This is an inference. Statement 2 presents the authors opinion that the scheme has been significant incentive and that it shows the link. This is a judgement. Statement 3 presents statistics that can be verified – a fact. In statement 4 the words 'has to be' indicate personal opinion or judgement.

29. In statement 1, the words “we should not be” indicate that it is somebody’s personal opinion. In statement 2, the words “the truth is” indicate that it is a fact. That we take eighty-nine days to start a business and Australians take two can be verified. In statement 3, the words “leads to” indicate that it is somebody’s opinion. That red tape leads to corruption and distorts a person’s character cannot be verified – it is one person’s personal opinion which could be opposed by another. In statement 4, the words “potential to become” indicate that it is a conclusion. That a red tape procedure is a point of contact with an official can be verified. Based on this, the conclusion, that these contacts have the potential to become opportunities for money to change hands, is drawn.

15. In the first statement, the words 'one of the' suggest that there are more reasons. That this is the strongest is the author's opinion - a judgement. In statement 2 the words 'we know that' indicate that the fact about conflicts leads us to the understanding that they only change in character - an inference. Statement 3 is the author's opinion that disarmament is our only insurance - a judgement. In statement 4 the data provided indicates a fact.

#### Critical Reasoning

- (c) Gymnasiums have no role to play in the maintenance of health of villagers. This may be due to two reasons: (i) either gyms are not available in villages (ii) or they are not used in villages. Hence assumption I is implicit. II is not implicit because it is possible that the reason given in (i) above implies and not the one in (ii).
- (e) This does not seem too strong a reason. For one, the result being talked about is a mixed bag. If there is deterioration, there is improvement also. Two, a funding that has gone on for the past 10 years is unlikely to come to an abrupt halt just because the performance has declined this year.
- (c) That is why distribution companies prefer summering electricity from the spot market.
- (b) When a particular method is being opted for, the assumption is that several methods exist.
- (e) If crops are insured a minimum sum will be assured even in the event of crop loss. Hence (b) follows. With the security of (b), (c) will follow.
- (c) People are concerned about the rising pollution in the city. Choices (a) and (c) come quite close but we rule out (a) because it goes into specifics – “removes contaminants and “in a room”.
- (e) Only (c) and (d) Choice (c) follows because Delhi is the biggest buyer (d) follows from the link between “the most polluted city” and “the biggest buyer of air purifiers”.
- (e) A strict action should be taken against him if found guilty. Note the word “reportedly” in the given statement.
- (d) Garbage in the city is the major concern of epidemics. Clearly, the focus is on “garbage”.
- (a) Pollution of the city will decline. Between (b) and (c), the latter is more likely. But we can't say definitely even about (c) as it involves spending a lot of money. (d) is ruled out because to reach a state of “no traffic jams” several other factors will have to be taken into account. But (a) is certain because do cause pollution. The fewer the cars, the lesser the pollution.
- (b) Airports in the country will generate electricity through solar energy. This is a natural inference.
- (b) Only B and C Though land has become scarcer, it is still available.
- (c) The verdict will increase the literacy rate in the country. Choices (a) and (b) are irrelevant because education is different from literacy. (d) is ruled out as it relates goodness to literacy. (c) can be inferred: the desire to contest elections will lead people to come out of illiteracy.
- (d) Revenue of ECR decreased in the months of winter. It is difficult to ascertain what is the “major reason”. But if trains get cancelled or delayed, revenue is bound to be affected.
- (b) Only (A), (B) and (C)

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- 3
- 2; Because of the term only 1 and 3 are not valid answer.
- 5; Banning export is not a valid course of action because of the nations usually have a commitment with others and have to have fulfil those commitments.
- 5
- 4

6. 2

7. 3

8. 3

9. 5

10. 4

11. b; The charges and penalties will act as a deterrent for the customers.

12.d; Non-bailable offence implies the grave nature of the crime. It is therefore logical that the punishment will also be severe.

13. e;The inferences are all true- either definitely or probably.

14. c

15.a; only a)can be inferred form the above statement. When a private sector bank candidates have a greater interest in public sector banks only then the applicants are applying for the post in a huge number

### 3. Reading Comprehension

1. (5) According to popular wisdom, language is a cultural artifact or cultural invention or it is part of the leaning process or it is unique to *Homo sapiens*. But option(5) has been stated as the viewpoint of the cognitive scientists as can be seen in the lines 'Language is a complex specialized.....module'. The author also agrees with the cognitive scientists' view as he confirms to the view that language comes by instinct. He further corroborates this by saying that people know how to talk in the same manner as spiders know how to spin the web.

2. (2) "Spiders know how to spin webs" highlights the inherent qualities of living species. This analogy can be replaced in a similar way by "Bees collecting nectar" which is also a part of their inane trait. Options(1), (3), (4), (5) mention traits which are acquired over a period of time by putting in some kind of effort in order to be adept at them.

3. (2) Refer to the last sentence of the 2nd paragraph of the passage. It states that 'In nature's talent show, we are simply a species of primate with our own act, a knack for communicating information about who did what to whom by modulating the sounds we make when we exhale'. Hence, communicating with each other through voice modulation is the unique quality of human beings as per the passage.

4. (1) Refer to the 3rd paragraph of the passage where the author says that the scientists believe that the complexity of language is part of our biological birthright. He further illustrates the scientists' point of view that it cannot be taught. The author strengthens this view by quoting Oscar Wilde, making option(1) as the correct answer option. The rest of the options are not mentioned in the passage.

5. (4) Throughout the passage, the author is talking about language as a type of instinct that is existent in human beings and not any specific attribute or skill that is learnt by them over a period of time. In the first paragraph, the author claims 'But I prefer the admittedly quaint term instinct'. Similarly in the last paragraph of the passage, the author concludes by saying that 'Finally, since language is the product of a well engineered biological instinct, we shall see that it is not the nutty barrel of monkeys that entertainer-columnists make it out to be'.

6. (3) Refer to the 4th paragraph of the passage. The elders were of the opinion that turning of the eyes by the child while having the ice-creams in both hands could make the child fall down or trip over stones, steps in the pavement. The phrase 'rightly suggested' changes the meaning of the given sentence and hence it cannot be inferred from the passage.

7. (4) 'Parvenus' refer to persons who have suddenly risen to a higher social and economic class but have not yet received social acceptance by others in that class. Hence, the phrase 'little parvenus' would appropriately refer to 'young upstarts'.

8. (2) Refer to the 5th paragraph of the passage. The sentence 'two two-cent ....suggested excess' clearly tell us that it was intemperance on part of the author which made him pine for two two-cent ice-cream cones instead of one four-cent pie.

9. (2) In the lines 'Nowadays the moralist .....spoiled'. The author is talking about morality in the context of the present day world. The rest of the options are out of the scope of the passage.

10. (1) Refer to the last line of the 4th paragraph of the passage. Here the author says that the intentions of his elders in not letting him eat two-cent cones was 'cruelly pedagogical'. This implies that the justification was 'didactic' in nature. This makes option (1) correct. The rest of the options are incorrect in context of the passage. 'Dietetic'

refers to anything related with diet or the use of food. 'Dialectic' refers to the nature of logical argumentation. 'Diatonic' refers to using only the seven tones of a standard scale without chromatic alterations. 'Diastolic' refers to the rhythmically occurring relaxation and the dilation of the heart chambers.

11. (3) In the first paragraph of the passage, refer to the lines 'Many of the concepts of modern art, by contrast, have resulted from the almost accidental meetings of groups of talented individuals at certain times and certain places'. Hence, option 3 is the reason for the emergence of the concepts of modern art.

12. (5) According to the author, with the passage of time an art movement ceases to be a living organism and it becomes a fossil. The author then takes the example of a scientist who reconstructs the life of the past era which are codified in the form of messages in the structure of a fossil. He goes on to say similarly an artist also analyses the intellectual and creative possibilities from the art movements of the past. 'Fossil' here signifies the temporal phasing of an era associated with the art movement. This makes option 5 the correct option. Option 1 is contradictory to the facts mentioned in the passage. In option 2, the word 'historic' means significant which is not being indicated by the author. Option 3 is contradictory to the author's point of view. Option 4 is out of the scope of the argument.

13. (1) Refer to the first sentence of the first paragraph of the passage where science and art have been stated as similar in including a whole range of separate, though interconnecting activities. Hence, option(1) is the correct answer.

14. (4) In the first paragraph of the passage, refer to the lines 'Briefly, then, the concepts of modern art are of legitimately.....visual and spiritual experience'. Hence, the ideologies of the art of the twentieth century can be better realised by the fast changing world of visual and metaphysical understanding. The rest of the options have no link with the concepts and ideologies of the art of the twentieth century.

15. (5) In the last paragraph of the passage, refer to the lines 'As T.S Eliot observed, no one starts anything from the scratch however consciously you may try to live in the present, you are still involved with a nexus of behaviour patterns bequeathed from the past. The original and creative person is not someone who ignores these patterns but someone who is able to translate and develop them so that they conform more exactly to his and our present needs'. Hence, new and original thinking is always developed on the basis of the past thoughts in order to cater to the modern needs. Therefore, option(5) is the most appropriate answer.

16. (1) The 2nd paragraph of the passage begins with 'With those caveats, it appears to me that one strand consisted .....to prevent bracken ferns from over running the fields'. Hence in the context of Rwanda and Haiti, the author is referring to the existence of too many people fighting for limited land and other resources. Hence, option (1) is the most appropriate answer.

17. (4) 'Anthropogenic' refers to being caused or produced by human beings. So 'anthropogenic drought' refers to the drought caused by actions of human beings. Further hint is given in the 8th line of the 2nd paragraph of the passage.

18. (3) In the 3rd paragraph, refer to the lines 'At the time of previous droughts.....to have reliable water supplies'. Hence, it is evident that the final drought which caused the collapse of the Maya civilization was different from the previous droughts because man had left no unoccupied land away from agriculture to start life in a new way.

19. (4) The first paragraph of the passage states that 'To summarize the Classic Maya collapse, we can tentatively identify five strands. I acknowledge, however, that Maya archaeologists still disagree vigorously among themselves- in part, because the different strands evidently varied in importance among different parts of the Maya realm; because detailed archaeological studies are available for only some Maya sites, and because it remains puzzling why most of the Maya heartland remained nearly empty of population and failed to recover after the collapse and after re-growth of forests'. Hence, there is not one specific factor that can individually explain the collapse of the Maya civilization. Therefore, the correct answer would be option 4.

20. (5) The answer is clearly indicated in the 4th paragraph of the passage where it is mentioned that the Maya kings and leaders were more focussed on their shortterm concerns of enriching themselves. The entire Maya population was not obsessed with its short-term interests. Hence, it cannot be cited as one of the factors causing the collapse of the Maya society.

21. The author has stated throughout the passage what defines behaviour in society and has also given a direct clue in the 2nd paragraph. The rest of the options are negated in the passage. **Answer is Reciprocal roles determine normative human behaviour in society.**

22. As clearly stated in the para mentioning roles, the opposite of how we would react if a father acted in a such a manner. **Answer is We would not have been offended by the father playing his role 'tongue in cheek'.**

23. The complete tone of the passage is about the same phrase, according to which the "self" of a person gets so mixed or aligned with the occupation that the occupation becomes the "self". The examples of clergy man/ bus driver represent the same idea and hence the right **answer is : B only**

24. The paragraph in the last line is trying to generate an idea of personification. From the last 3 lines of the paragraph we can understand, that its tough to give macro level stories from the perspective of the macro level participants. So its textual device we use to make it more comprehensible **Answer is The difference between 'life' and 'interpretation of life'.**

25. The answer is in the last paragraph, where the poet uses the term "other creations" and in the third line it's given that: There is no sign of the destination. And then some example follow it explaining the same. So the right answer is **Define the place of the poet in his culture.**

26. In the second paragraph the line between "Such a period..... genius of the age". Give the answer to the question. **The answer is: Poets and artists of Renaissance.**

26. Option (1). The passage traces the relationship between rules, paradigms and normal sciences in the three paragraphs given. Although option (3) might look to be close but since the author does end with normal science with regards to paradigms, we can safely take option (1) as our answer. **Answer is Relationships between rules, paradigms, and normal science.** [www.faculty.washington.edu/lynnhank/Kuhn2.pdf](http://www.faculty.washington.edu/lynnhank/Kuhn2.pdf)  
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27. As evident from the 1st paragraph, the author states in the last line that'...mature scientific community..." **Answer is Loyalty to a certain paradigm of scientific inquiry.**

28. Option (1) can be disregarded as paradigms help in defining a scientific tradition and themselves do not define them. Option (2) can be eliminated as rules existing has been negated by the author in the last paragraph. Option (3) is also negated in the last paragraph. Option (4 )doesn't connect to the passage at all. Option (5) can be inferred from the 3rd last line of the passage. **Answer is Paradigms are a general representation of rules and beliefs of a scientific tradition.**

29. Islands with considerable degree of isolation provide valuable insights as a society has develop despite of all geographical disadvantages option no. 4 depicts the same idea that "...differing in their... Australia" although it has used the name of five continents which is not mentioned in the paragraph but the number is mentioned. **Answer is Isolated islands, differing in their endowments and size, provide a good comparison to large islands such as Eurasia, Africa, Americas and Australia.**

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30. The answer is explicitly given in 3rd, 4th & 5th line of the first paragraph. **Answer is Historical sciences suffer from the inability to conduct controlled experiments and therefore have explanations based on a few long-term factors.**

31. Options (1) and (3) can be eliminated since the author has not stated anything regarding what the students of history are doing. He has only stated as to what can be effectively done. Option (4) is wrong because of the word 'unique' and option (5) is wrong because of the word 'confounding". Option (2) can be inferred from the first half of the last paragraph. **Answer is Complex societies inhabiting large islands provide great opportunities for natural experiments.**

## 1. Verbal Solutions

### Vocab

1. (3) In option (1) Anita wore a *brooch* is the correct option. As brooch means to mention and suggest for the first time. While *brooch* means a clasp or an ornament. In the second sentence one has to meet a *councillor* to complain about neighbourhood amenities as a *councillor* draws from the word council - which is responsible for keeping the county in order. A *counsellor* is one who helps you take an informed decision about one or more of your concerns,

therefore *councillor* is the right option here. In the third sentence *advice* has to take the noun form and not the verb form, therefore *advice* is the right option. *When Mr. Raymond advises people, he gives them advice.* *Climactic* refers to climax, while *climatic* to weather conditions, therefore *climactic* is the right option. *Flair* refers to a natural talent; it is commonplace to say that one has a *flair for writing*. *Flare* means to spread gradually outward, as the end of a trumpet, the bottom of a wide skirt, or the sides of a ship. Therefore, BAAAB (3) is the right option.

2. (2) *Currents* refer to prevailing or flowing, while *currants* are deciduous shrubs; therefore B is the right option. In the second sentence, *exceptional* means unusual or extraordinary. While, *exceptionable* means objectionable. *Assent* means to concur to or subscribe to. While *consent* means to agree, comply or yield. In the third sentence *obliged* refers to bind morally or legally, as by a promise or contract. While, *compelled* refers to being forced. Therefore, A is the correct option. *Sanguine* refers to being cheerfully optimistic, 'far too' in the sentence provides the cue to choose option A. While *genuine* refers to authenticity and is usually not used with *far too*. Therefore BBAAA (2) is the right option.

3. (2) *Caustic* refers to severely critical or sarcastic, while *ironic* draws from irony which refers to the use of words to convey a meaning that is the opposite of its literal meaning. Therefore B is the correct option. *Cogent* refers to clear, or an incisive presentation. While *valid* refers to being sound. And, being impassionate usually does not necessitate being valid. *Averse* means having a strong feeling of opposition, or antipathy. While *adverse* refers to something being unfavourable. Therefore B is the correct option. *Coup* is a clever action or accomplishment. A *coupé* is the end compartment in a European railroad car. Therefore, A is the correct option. *Peal* refers to a ringing of a set of bells, especially a change or set of changes rung on bells. While, *peel* refers to that which is peeled from something, as a piece of the skin or rind of a fruit. Therefore, B is the right option. Therefore, BBBAB (2) is the right option.

4. (1) *Defusing* means to remove the fuse from a bomb, mine etc. *Diffuse* means to spread or scatter widely or disseminate. Therefore B is the right option. *Baited* means to entice, especially by trickery or strategy. While, *bated* means to lessen or diminish; abate. Therefore, A is the right option. In sentence three *hoard* refers to a supply or accumulation that is hidden or carefully guarded for preservation. While, *horde* refers to a large group, mass or crowd. Therefore B is the correct option. In sentence four *interment* refers to burial, while *internment* refers to restrict to or confine within prescribed limits. Therefore B is the correct option. In sentence five *unsociable* refers to showing, or marked by a disinclination to friendly social relations; withdrawn and *unsocial* comes close in meaning to *unsociable* and is used more specifically when talking about predispositions or tendencies. Therefore, your answer choice should have corresponded with the options in the previous sentences treating these two words as synonyms. Therefore BABBA (1) is the correct answer.

5. The correct usage of the sentences has both a grammatical component and a word usage component as well. The cricket council will take singular so we will choose was and continue the same with the helping verb is. The critics will censure as it means criticize and not censor which means cut or delete. Amit's explanation was credible which means believable or plausible and not credulous which means gullible. She coughed discreetly which means doing something in a careful or circumspect manner and not discrete which means individually distinct and separate. **Answer is AABBA.**

6. The further meaning extent or degree and not farther meaning distance he pushed himself....For the crowds it was more of a historic (important, significant) event and not historical (documented, ancient). The old man has a healthy distrust (regard with suspicion) for all new technology and not mistrust (lack of trust, mistrust also takes a 'of' and not for). The film is based on a true (in accordance to fact or reality) and not real (actual, existent). One suspects that the compliment (flattering remark, praise) and not complement (accessory, supplement) was backhanded. **Answer is ABABA.**

7. Regretfully (in a regretful manner) I have to decline your invitation and not regrettably (giving rise to regret, undesirable). I am drawn to the poetic, sensuous (aesthetic, lush) quality of her paintings and not sensual (physical, passionate). He was beside himself (beside oneself means overcome with) with rage and not besides (in addition to, apart). After brushing against a stationary (not moving) truck.. and not stationery(writing wares). As the water began to rise above (extending upwards towards) the danger mark.. and not over(extending directly upwards from). **Answer is BBBAB.**

8. (3) The word 'disingenuous' means insincere and is suitable in the given context (suggested by the word-'sinister') . The word 'victims' brings out the contrast with 'perpetrators' most aptly.

9. (4) In the first blank the word 'scrutinizers' is inappropriate as the context suggests observation and not analysis, therefore 'observers' is the right word. In the second blank 'concede' would be more appropriate than 'agree' as the sense is that of yielding ground as suggested by the expression 'forced to...'



10. (2) The best option is 2 (congenital, education) as the word 'environment' in the sentence is used figuratively to suggest the overall surroundings/conditions which shape a person. Option 3 seems close but is incorrect as the word 'climate' is insufficient to convey this figurative sense of environment.

11. (4) Going by the first blank, option (3) and (4) are close. In the second blank the context requires a word which goes along with the sense of 'minds' which are accustomed to the former or the old school of thought and hence the word 'tradition' aptly fits in here.

12. 1 The keywords "least conscious" -- obviously, you become conscious of proper punctuation only if it obtrudes, i.e. hinders your flow or shows up prominently.

13. 3

14. 1 If one travels abroad it is to explore the world.

15. 4 The second word should be more intense in degree as compared to the first one, indicated by even.

16. 4 Simplified guide... anyone facing decisions.

17. 2 Paralyzed people do not have complex or involuntary nerves, but some of their nerves are damaged.

18. 3 The sentence conveys the idea of the maximum possible choice, which can result only in the presence of minimal constraints.

19. 2 The right choices should be similar in meaning.

20. (3) In Sentence 3 'run over' as a phrasal verb means being physically mowed down and it is not appropriate to convey the symbolic sense of brow beating somebody.

21. (4) Sentence 4 is incorrect and should be 'The doctor is on a round/the doctor is on a round of the hospital.'

22. (2) The expression 'the horse suddenly broke into a buckle' is idiomatically incorrect

23. (5) In sentence 5, the expression '...a soldier broke the file...' is grammatically incorrect.

24. 2 Close friend is the correct version of near friend.

25. 1 my hands full...

26. 3 I couldn't bear her...

27. 3 The right construction would be ".....help himself to the beer...".

28. 4 The correct expression is "listen to reason", implying responding to sensible advice.

29. 1 Should have been "great on paper".

30. 2 Should have read " .... runs a profitable business ..."

31. 1 "Customers have to serve themselves....", not service themselves.

32. 3 It is bringing back old ideas, hence resurrecting

33. 3 The scene is tardy and hence light is dim, sputtering is the best choice.

34. 4 The scene would be distressing to a sensitive fellow.

35. 4 "If" is certainly terse.