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HP Verbal Ability Questions and Answers Set - I

Directions (Q. 1 - 3): Which of the following phrases given below the sentence can replace the words /phrase given in the bold in the sentence grammatically and meaningfully.

1. In a highly integrated and interdependent global economy, regional value chains **provides opportunities for** India and Pakistan to diversify their exports and imports and intensify their integration into the global economy.

- I. are providing opportunities for
- II. provide opportunities for
- III. to provide opportunities for

- A. I, III
- B. II, III
- C. I
- D. II

Answer - D. II

Explanation:

Option D is grammatically correct.

2. The author stresses the importance of personal responsibility by challenging the government officials responsible for capital punishment, as well as the men on death row, **in holding themselves accountable for their** actions.

- I. to hold themselves accountable for their
- II. by holding themselves accountable for their
- III. to hold themselves in accountability for their

- A. I
- B. I, II
- C. I, III
- D. II, III

Answer - A. I

Explanation:

Option A is grammatically correct.

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3. It was this civility and dignity that marked Vajpayee's life and politics, and which seems completely at odds with the prevailing political culture of today. His endearing manner, display of affection and **quality of giving earn him** respect all around, including from the Opposition.

- I. quality for giving earned him
- II. quality in giving earned it
- III. quality of giving earned him

- A. I
- B. II
- C. III
- D. I, III

Answer - C. III

Explanation:

Option C is grammatically correct.

Directions (Q. 4 – 6): Choose the Synonyms of the following words

4. **Sacrosanct**

- A. Indifferent
- B. Voluble
- C. Ineffable
- D. Inviolable

Answer – D. Inviolable

Explanation:

Sacrosanct – something which is regarded as too important or valuable to be interfered with.

5. **Imposture**

- A. Charlatan
- B. Deception
- C. Claim
- D. Status

Answer – A. Charlatan

Explanation:

Imposture – an instance of pretending to be someone else in order to deceive others.

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6. Eccentric

- A. Extraordinary
- B. Unconventional
- C. Usual
- D. Introvert

Answer – B. Unconventional

Explanation:

Eccentric – unconventional or slightly strange often relating to a person's behavior

Direction (Q. 7 – 8): Choose the Antonyms of the following words

7. Impediment

- A. Avoid
- B. Allowed
- C. Carry
- D. Facilitation

Answer - D. Facilitation

Explanation:

Impediment – an obstruction in doing something.

Facilitation – the action of facilitating something.

8. Concerns

- A. Deplete
- B. Capitulate
- C. Unconcern
- D. Divest

Answer - C. Unconcern

Explanation:

Concerns – relate to being about.

unconcern – a lack of worry or interest, especially when surprising

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Direction (Q. 1 – 5): Word Analogy, Find the exact pair according to the given pair.

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1. Facade: Building

- A. Neck: Bottle
- B. Fence: Garden
- C. Page: Book
- D. Dial: Watch

Answer – D. Dial: Watch

Explanation:

First is the face or front view of the second.

2. Money: Transaction

- A. Water : Drink
- B. Ideas : Exchange
- C. Language : Conversation
- D. Life : Death

Answer – C. Language : Conversation

Explanation:

Second is the process of exchange of the first.

3. East: Orient

- A. North : Polar
- B. North : Tropic
- C. South : Capricorn
- D. West : Occident

Answer – D. West : Occident

Explanation:

Second is another name for the first.

4. Yawn : Boredom

- A. Smile : Happiness
- B. Sorrow : Unhappiness
- C. Tears : Eyes
- D. Expression : Face

Answer – A. Smile : Happiness

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Explanation:

First exhibits the second.

5. Garbage : Squalor

- A. Colour : Brush
- B. Dirtiness: Cleanliness
- C. Poor : Hunger
- D. Diamond : Magnificence

Answer – D. Diamond : Magnificence

Explanation:

Second is the property of the first.

Directions (Q.6 - 8): In each of the following sentences, there are two blank spaces. Find out one word that is to be fitted in both the sentences I & II to make it meaningful.

6. I. Natural selection in _____ animals operates upon groups rather than upon individuals.

II. Even now I am certain that those seas are not, and perhaps never can be, in the present constitution of things, a place for his habitual _____ resort.

- A. gregarious
- B. traverse
- C. gainsay
- D. impugn

Answer – A. gregarious

Explanation:

Gregarious – sociable; seeking and enjoying the company of others

7. I. Tom's extreme _____ for disputes keeps him from getting into arguments with his temperamental wife.

II. Upon the whole, I never beheld, in all my travels, so disagreeable an animal, or one against which I naturally conceived so strong a / an _____.

- A. cadaver
- B. antipathy
- C. fracas
- D. Doughty

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Answer – B. antipathy

Explanation:

Antipathy – a strong feeling of aversion

8. I. He could endure his financial failure, but he could not bear the _____ that his foes heaped upon him.

II. An attempt at divorce could lead to nothing but a public scandal, which would be a perfect godsend to his enemies for _____ and attacks on his high position in society.

A. venturesome

B. mannerism

C. decimate

D. calumny

Answer – D. calumny

Explanation:

Calumny – the making of false and defamatory statements about someone in order to damage their reputation.