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English2

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Number of Questions :	29
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Section Negative Marks :	0
Group All Questions :	No
Enable Mark as Answered Mark for Review and Clear Response :	No
Section Maximum Duration :	0
Section Minimum Duration :	0
Section Time In :	Minutes
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Sub-Section Id :	640653360208
Question Shuffling Allowed :	No

Question Number : 1 Question Id : 6406531951179

Correct Marks : 0

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

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Options :

6406536343921.  Yes

6406536343922.  No

Sub-Section Number :

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Sub-Section Id :

640653360209

Question Shuffling Allowed :

No

Question Id : 6406531951180 Sub Question Shuffling Allowed : No Group Comprehension

Questions : No Question Pattern Type : NonMatrix

Question Numbers : (2 to 6)

Question Label : Comprehension

Read the speech segment given below and fill in the blanks with the appropriate discourse markers. Observe the tone and the punctuation of the passage and choose only the most fitting answer for every blank.

Neil Gaiman on Writing about Different Countries and Cultures

There are lots of cultures that I haven't worked with. One reason why I am always hesitant is [that] the last thing you want to become as an author is a [i] ____ cultural tourist. And you [ii] ____ don't want to sort of feel like you've signed up to the Myth of the Month club, and there was definitely, while I was doing *The Sandman*, – a little bit in *American Gods* – that feeling that, [iii] ____, if I did it wrong, if I did it without respect, I could become some kind of a cultural tourist. [iv] ____, there are places where I would still love to go. If you go and see something, you will always come away with things that are brighter, sharper and stranger than you could have imagined. The kind of food that's served, the kind of road signs, what the house roofs look like – it's stuff that you [v] ____ wouldn't imagine.

Transcribed from: "Neil Gaiman - Meet the Writers." *YouTube*, uploaded by BNStudio, 12 Jul. 2011.

Based on the above data, answer the given subquestions.

Sub questions

Question Number : 2 Question Id : 6406531951181

Correct Marks : 2

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Fill in blank [i] with the most fitting discourse marker among the options given below.

Options :

- 6406536343923. ✓ Sort of
- 6406536343924. ✗ Well yeah
- 6406536343925. ✗ No, no
- 6406536343926. ✗ Certainly

Question Number : 3 Question Id : 6406531951182

Correct Marks : 2

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Fill in blank [ii] with the most fitting discourse marker among the options given below.

Options :

- 6406536343927. ✗ Uh, no
- 6406536343928. ✓ Definitely
- 6406536343929. ✗ Well, yes
- 6406536343930. ✗ Right

Question Number : 4 Question Id : 6406531951183

Correct Marks : 2

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Fill in blank [iii] with the most fitting discourse marker among the options given below.

Options :

- 6406536343931. ✗ Kind of
- 6406536343932. ✗ Fine
- 6406536343933. ✓ You know
- 6406536343934. ✗ Actually

Question Number : 5 Question Id : 6406531951184

Correct Marks : 2

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Fill in blank [iv] with the most fitting discourse marker among the options given below.

Options :

- 6406536343935. ✗ Just
- 6406536343936. ✗ That's awesome
- 6406536343937. ✗ Sadly
- 6406536343938. ✓ But having said that

Question Number : 6 Question Id : 6406531951185

Correct Marks : 2

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Fill in blank [v] with the most fitting discourse marker among the options given below.

Options :

6406536343939. ✖ Justly

6406536343940. ✔ Simply

6406536343941. ✖ Ideally

6406536343942. ✖ Wow

Question Id : 6406531951186 Sub Question Shuffling Allowed : No Group Comprehension

Questions : No Question Pattern Type : NonMatrix

Question Numbers : (7 to 11)

Question Label : Comprehension

Given below is a short essay excerpted from *The Statesman*. Read the essay and answer the sub-questions.

Peace Is Getting More Costly Everywhere

In the current global climate, the expense associated with maintaining peace is increasing at a rapid pace. Peace has become a valuable commodity in various regions across the globe, ranging from the simmering borders of Eastern Europe to the volatile pockets of the Middle East, and from the tumultuous corners of Sub-Saharan Africa to the rising tensions in the South China Sea. The escalation of global conflicts is not necessarily a recent occurrence. Throughout history, humanity has experienced prolonged periods of conflicts and strife. The evolving nature of these conflicts is characterised by an increasing level of intricacy and breadth. The nature of contemporary conflicts has become more transnational, characterised by the rise of non-state entities, cyber warfare, and the expansion of asymmetric warfare. These factors (1)_____ the expenses associated with peace-building.

The protracted conflict in Syria is an example. After 12 years, the situation in Syria serves as a poignant example of the high cost of achieving peace. The initial civil unrest against the regime of Bashar-al-Assad has evolved into a complex crisis that involves multiple international stakeholders. The significant impact on both human life and infrastructure is profound; however, it represents only a single aspect of the actual expense. The subsequent refugee crisis has placed a significant burden on the resources of neighbouring nations and has caused political instability that extends well beyond the borders of Syria. The international community has allocated significant financial resources towards humanitarian aid, refugee resettlement, and military interventions, with no clear resolution in sight.

The dispute in the South China Sea presents a distinct, but equally concerning example of the increasing cost of maintaining peace. Several nations (2.a.) _____ their ownership over this crucial maritime area, resulting in a progressively growing military presence in the (2.b.) _____. In addition to the substantial defence expenditures, there exists an intangible expense associated with the (3) _____ tension. The possibility of a significant conflict in one of the most heavily trafficked sea lanes worldwide presents a potential disturbance to international trade routes, which could result in far-reaching economic implications.

The ongoing conflict in the Sahel region of Africa presents a clear depiction of the increasing expenses associated with maintaining peace. The (4.a.) _____ of violent extremism, intercommunal

conflicts, and food insecurity has resulted in a significant (4.b.) ____ in displacement, with millions compelled to abandon their residences. The financial expense required to reestablish harmony and reconstruct these communities is significant. The allocation of resources towards the international community's response, which includes peacekeeping missions, humanitarian aid, and development assistance, is perceived as a burden on the global economy. Contemporary disputes frequently entail multiple stakeholders, each with distinct objectives, thereby rendering diplomatic resolution more intricate and expensive. Furthermore, the widespread incorporation of technology in military operations, ranging from cyber warfare to unmanned aerial vehicles, has escalated the economic costs linked with peacekeeping efforts.

Sub questions

Question Number : 7 Question Id : 6406531951187

Correct Marks : 2

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Fill in the blank with the appropriate verb.

These factors (1) ____ the expenses associated with peace-building.

Options :

6406536343943. ✖ Motivate

6406536343944. ✖ Elongate

6406536343945. ✔ Exacerbate

6406536343946. ✖ Reciprocate

Question Number : 8 Question Id : 6406531951188

Correct Marks : 2

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate verb-noun pair.

Several nations (2.a.) ____ their ownership over this crucial maritime area, resulting in a progressively growing military presence in the (2.b.) ____.

Options :

6406536343947. ✖ Abandon and suburbs

6406536343948. ✔ Assert and vicinity

6406536343949. ✖ Archive and area

6406536343950. ✖ Attenuate and property

Question Number : 9 Question Id : 6406531951189

Correct Marks : 2

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Fill in the blank with the appropriate participle.

In addition to the substantial defence expenditures, there exists an intangible expense associated with the (3) ____ tension.

Options :

6406536343951. ✖ Pronounced

6406536343952. ✖ Accentuated

6406536343953. ✖ Debilitating

6406536343954. ✔ Escalating

Question Number : 10 Question Id : 6406531951190

Correct Marks : 2

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate nouns.

The (4.a.) _____ of violent extremism, intercommunal conflicts, and food insecurity has resulted in a significant (4.b.) _____ in displacement, with millions compelled to abandon their residences.

Options :

6406536343955. ✖ *Influence and dip*

6406536343956. ✔ *Confluence and surge*

6406536343957. ✖ *Redolence and crest*

6406536343958. ✖ *Flamboyance and fall*

Question Number : 11 Question Id : 6406531951191

Correct Marks : 2

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Arrange the given hints in the correct order to form a synopsis of the essay.

- i. Example of Sahel region of Africa-extremism, communal conflict, food shortage, displacement
- ii. Contemporary international disputes- many stakeholders and objectives- diplomatic resolution not easy
- iii. Other reasons for high peacekeeping expenses- highly technological warfare
- iv. Current global issues-complex, intricate, transnational-illustrations to follow
- v. There is a steep rise in the expense of maintaining global peace
- vi. Example of Syria- aid, refugee resettlement, military interventions
- vii. Example of South China Sea-possible military conflict disrupting international trade routes
- viii. Financial burden of peacekeeping on global economy

Options :

6406536343959. ✔ v-iv-vi-vii-i-viii-ii-iii

6406536343960. ✖ iii-ii-v-viii-iv-i-vii-vi

6406536343961. ✖ viii-i-iii-iv-v-ii-vii-vi

Sub-Section Number :

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Sub-Section Id :

640653360210

Question Shuffling Allowed :

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Question Id : 6406531951192 Sub Question Shuffling Allowed : No Group Comprehension

Questions : No Question Pattern Type : NonMatrix

Question Numbers : (12 to 16)

Question Label : Comprehension

Match the content in List A to their corresponding figures of speech in List B. Study List A with specific attention to the sections marked in bold, wherever applicable, before choosing your

answer.

List A	List B
[i] At night the factories struggle awake, wretched uneasy buildings veined with pipes attempt their work.	[a] Simile
[ii] Personal and spiteful as a neighbor's child , thunder began to bang and bump the roof.	[b] Oxymoron
[iii] I tried to put a bird in a cage. O fool that I am! For the bird was Truth. Sing merrily, Truth: I tried to put Truth in a cage!	[c] Alliteration
[iv] 'In that case you'd defend me if I killed him, right?' she asked affirmatively, pushing José's enormous pig head with a movement of brutal coquettishness .	[d] Personification
[v] And the soul, O ganders, being lonely, flies Beyond your chilly chariots , to the skies.	[e] Metaphor

Based on the above data, answer the given subquestions.

Sub questions

Question Number : 12 Question Id : 6406531951193

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

At night the factories struggle awake, wretched uneasy buildings veined with pipes attempt their work.

Options :

6406536343962. ✖ Simile

6406536343963. ✖ Oxymoron

6406536343964. ✖ Alliteration

6406536343965. ✔ Personification

6406536343966. ✖ Metaphor

Question Number : 13 Question Id : 6406531951194

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Personal and **spiteful as a neighbor's child**, thunder began to bang and bump the roof.

Options :

6406536343967. ✓ Simile

6406536343968. ✗ Oxymoron

6406536343969. ✗ Alliteration

6406536343970. ✗ Personification

6406536343971. ✗ Metaphor

Question Number : 14 Question Id : 6406531951195

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

I tried to put a bird in a cage. O fool that I am! **For the bird was Truth**. Sing merrily, Truth: I tried to put Truth in a cage!

Options :

6406536343972. ✗ Simile

6406536343973. ✗ Oxymoron

6406536343974. ✗ Alliteration

6406536343975. ✗ Personification

6406536343976. ✓ Metaphor

Question Number : 15 Question Id : 6406531951196

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

'In that case you'd defend me if I killed him, right?' she asked affirmatively, pushing José's enormous pig head with a movement of **brutal coquettishness**.

Options :

6406536343977. ✗ Simile

6406536343978. ✓ Oxymoron

6406536343979. ✗ Alliteration

6406536343980. ✗ Personification

6406536343981. ✗ Metaphor

Question Number : 16 Question Id : 6406531951197

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

And the soul, O ganders, being lonely, flies Beyond your **chilly chariots**, to the skies.

Options :

6406536343982. ✗ Simile

6406536343983. ✗ Oxymoron

6406536343984. ✓ Alliteration

6406536343985. ✗ Personification

6406536343986. ✗ Metaphor

Sub-Section Number :

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Sub-Section Id :

640653360211

Question Shuffling Allowed :

Yes

Question Number : 17 Question Id : 6406531951198

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

"*Magical realism*" is an example of paradox. This statement is ____.

Options :

6406536343987. ✗ True

6406536343988. ✓ False

Question Number : 18 Question Id : 6406531951199

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

When speaking the following sentence, if emphasis is laid on the word marked in bold, what would it mean? Choose the most appropriate answer from the given options.

Sachin to Arti: *Do **you** like ice cream?*

Options :

6406536343989. ✓ Does Arti, as opposed to anyone else, like to eat ice cream?

6406536343990. ✗ Does Arti no longer like eating ice cream even though she used to like it in the past?

6406536343991. ✗ Does Arti like eating ice cream, as opposed to any other sweet?

Question Number : 19 Question Id : 6406531951200

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

The sentence "*I will visit the museum someday*" is an example of the continuous/ progressive aspect.

Options :

6406536343992. ✗ True

6406536343993. ✓ False

Question Number : 20 Question Id : 6406531951201

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

In the sentence "*The kids woke up at 6:00 AM,*" what type of verb is "*woke*"?

Options :

6406536343994. ✖ Regular

6406536343995. ✔ Irregular

Question Number : 21 Question Id : 6406531951202

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Which of the following is true about the given sentence?

"My shoes were sniffed by the boy's new beagle puppy."

Options :

6406536343996. ✖ *My shoes* is the grammatical and the logical subject of the sentence.

6406536343997. ✔ *My shoes* is the grammatical subject of the sentence

6406536343998. ✖ *My shoes* is the logical subject of the sentence

6406536343999. ✖ None of these

Question Number : 22 Question Id : 6406531951203

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

The sentence "*The cake was baked by Ravi*" is an example of active voice.

Options :

6406536344000. ✖ True

6406536344001. ✔ False

Question Number : 23 Question Id : 6406531951204

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Identify the adjective in the sentence:

Shami adopted a young puppy last week.

Options :

6406536344002. ✖ Puppy

6406536344003. ✖ Adopted

6406536344004. ✔ Young

6406536344005. ✖ Week

Question Number : 24 Question Id : 6406531951205

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

In the following lists of words, identify the word most likely to be an adjective based on word endings.

Music, musical, musician, muse

Options :

6406536344006. ✖ Muse
6406536344007. ✔ Musical
6406536344008. ✖ Music
6406536344009. ✖ Musician

Question Number : 25 Question Id : 6406531951206

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Identify the degree adverb in the given sentence.

"Strangely enough, no one seemed to know where Parvathi had gone."

Options :

6406536344010. ✖ Strangely
6406536344011. ✔ Enough
6406536344012. ✖ Seemed to
6406536344013. ✖ Where

Question Number : 26 Question Id : 6406531951207

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Consider the following sentences. Which of these contain adverb/adverbs of time?

- i. Lawyers often love to tell you how good they are.
ii. Rarely does one find such kindness nowadays.
iii. He might make a champion of you yet.

Options :

6406536344014. ✖ i only
6406536344015. ✖ i and ii only
6406536344016. ✔ i, ii and iii
6406536344017. ✖ ii and iii only

Question Number : 27 Question Id : 6406531951208

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Kate calls home everyday in the evening. Here the prepositional phrase functions as ____.

Options :

6406536344018. ✖ Adjective
6406536344019. ✔ Adverb
6406536344020. ✖ No prepositional phrase
6406536344021. ✖ Predicate

Question Number : 28 Question Id : 6406531951209

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

"Farmers are not legally bound to sell their produce to government agencies but they are free to sell their produce anywhere at any prices they get."

Spot the viewpoint adverb in the given sentence.

Options :

6406536344022. ✓ Legally

6406536344023. ✗ Anywhere

6406536344024. ✗ Any

6406536344025. ✗ Agencies

Question Number : 29 Question Id : 6406531951210

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

'He is extremely talented', here the word '*extremely*' is ____.

Options :

6406536344026. ✗ Adjective

6406536344027. ✓ Degree adverb

6406536344028. ✗ Verb

6406536344029. ✗ Preposition

Question Number : 30 Question Id : 6406531951211

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Look at the sentence below and answer the question that follow:

Manisha is a teacher and her brother is a doctor

The sentence is a _____.

Options :

6406536344030. ✓ Compound sentence

6406536344031. ✗ Complex sentence

6406536344032. ✗ Compound-complex sentence

6406536344033. ✗ None of these

Question Number : 31 Question Id : 6406531951212

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Look at the sentence below and answer the question that follow:

Manisha is a teacher and her brother is a doctor

How many independent clauses are there in the above sentence?

Options :

6406536344034. ✖ 0

6406536344035. ✖ 1

6406536344036. ✔ 2

6406536344037. ✖ 3

Question Number : 32 Question Id : 6406531951213

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

'The vegetables, which I bought only yesterday, are beginning to spoil.' The independent clause is ____.

Options :

6406536344038. ✖ The vegetables which I bought only yesterday

6406536344039. ✔ The vegetables are beginning to spoil

6406536344040. ✖ Which I bought only yesterday

6406536344041. ✖ Which I bought only yesterday are beginning to spoil

Question Number : 33 Question Id : 6406531951214

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

'The CEO of the company along with the board members passed a new resolution yesterday'.

This sentence has two adjuncts.

Options :

6406536344042. ✔ True

6406536344043. ✖ False

Question Number : 34 Question Id : 6406531951215

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Bergman, who made several acclaimed films, was felicitated in the event. The relative pronoun here is ____.

Options :

6406536344044. ✖ Was

6406536344045. ✔ Who

6406536344046. ✖ Bergman

6406536344047. ✖ No relative pronoun

Question Number : 35 Question Id : 6406531951216

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

The police found the diamonds which were lost. Here the relative clause modifies ____.

Options :

6406536344048. ✖ Police

6406536344049. ✔ Diamonds

6406536344050. ✖ Both Police and diamonds

6406536344051. ✖ There is no relative clause

Question Number : 36 Question Id : 6406531951217

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Identify the subordinate clause in the following sentence.

I gave her the report last week when she asked me to print out the final draft.

Options :

6406536344052. ✖ I gave her the report last week

6406536344053. ✔ When she asked me to print out the final draft.

6406536344054. ✖ When she asked me to print out

6406536344055. ✖ No subordinate clause

Question Number : 37 Question Id : 6406531951218

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

State whether the following statement are true or false.

When we write to argue, the final part usually takes an overview and reaches an acceptable conclusion.

Options :

6406536344056. ✔ True

6406536344057. ✖ False

Question Number : 38 Question Id : 6406531951219

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

For the following sentence, choose whether the type of sentence is simple, compound or complex.

The teacher punished the student who told a lie.

Options :

6406536344058. ✖ Simple

6406536344059. ✖ Compound

6406536344060. ✔ Complex

Question Number : 39 Question Id : 6406531951220

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

For the following sentence, choose whether the type of sentence is simple, compound or complex.

The boy entered the room.

Options :

6406536344061. ✓ Simple

6406536344062. ✗ Compound

6406536344063. ✗ Complex

Question Number : 40 Question Id : 6406531951221

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

Identify the kind of adverbial phrase used in the following sentence:

The Sun rises in the east.

Options :

6406536344064. ✗ Adverb of frequency

6406536344065. ✗ Sentence adverb

6406536344066. ✗ Conjunctive adverb

6406536344067. ✓ Adverb of direction

Question Number : 41 Question Id : 6406531951222

Correct Marks : 1

Question Label : Multiple Choice Question

When the sentence *She opens the window* is converted to passive voice, the verb will change to _____.

Options :

6406536344068. ✗ Opened

6406536344069. ✗ Was opened

6406536344070. ✓ Is opened

6406536344071. ✗ Were opened