

## SSC CHSL Sunday English Mega Quiz – (Solutions)

**Q1. In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the word which best expresses the meaning of the given word and click the button corresponding to it.**

REPROOF

- (a) Warmth
- (b) Repeat
- (c) Rebuke
- (d) Quiet

**S1. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Reproof: an expression of blame or disapproval.

Rebuke: express sharp disapproval or criticism of (someone) because of their behavior or actions.

**Q2. In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the word which is opposite in meaning to the given word and click the button corresponding to it.**

INVALUABLE

- (a) Worthy
- (b) Rare
- (c) Inestimable
- (d) Worthless

**S2. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Invaluable: extremely useful; indispensable.

Worthless: having no real value or use.

**Q3. Four words are given, out of which only one word is spelt correctly. Choose the correctly spelt word and click the button corresponding to it.**

- (a) Stagnetion
- (b) Stagnasion
- (c) Stagnation
- (d) Stegnation

**S3. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Stagnation: the state of not flowing or moving. Hence, stagnation is correct spelling.

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**Directions (4-5):** In each of the questions, four alternatives are given for the Idiom/Phrase. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase and click the button corresponding to it.

**Q4. Evening of life**

- (a) Old age
- (b) A party
- (c) Holiday
- (d) A day of celebration

**S4. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Evening of life: old age.

**Q5. Button one's lip**

- (a) Tell us more
- (b) Stop talking
- (c) Invite us too
- (d) Enjoy herself

**S5. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Button one's lip: stop or refrain from talking.

**Directions (6-8):** Improve the bracketed part of the sentence

**Q6. Everybody who (finished) writing can go home.**

- (a) had finished
- (b) have finished
- (c) has finished
- (d) No improvement

**S6. Ans.(c)**

**Q7. It is not possible to tell the entire story (in nutshell).**

- (a) in a nutshell
- (b) in the nut
- (c) in a shell
- (d) No improvement

**S7. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** 'In a nutshell' is correct idiomatic expression. In a nutshell means 'in the fewest possible words'.

**Q8. It is (all but same) to me whether I am transferred to Mumbai or Kolkata.**

- (a) all or same
- (b) all the same
- (c) all one
- (d) No improvement

**S8. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** 'All the same' is correct word order. Other options distort the conveyed meaning of the sentence.

**Directions (9-10):** In the following questions, one part of the sentence may have an error. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and choose the option corresponding to it, If the sentence is free from error, choose the “No error” option.

**Q9. I was at loss and did not know what to do**

- (a) I was
- (b) at loss
- (c) and did not know
- (d) what to do

**S9. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** ‘At a loss’ is an idiom which means ‘Puzzled or uncertain what to think, say or do; baffled’, hence ‘at a loss’ should be used.

**Q10. This man is the most tallest in the group.**

- (a) This man is
- (b) the most tallest
- (c) in the group
- (d) No error

**S10. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** It is a double superlatives related error. Hence only ‘the tallest’ should be used.

**Direction (11-20):** In the following questions, sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with an appropriate word (S). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four as your answer.

**Q11. Deepak agrees \_\_\_\_\_ all my views but his parents did not.**

- (a) of
- (b) with
- (c) on
- (d) to

**S11. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Agree with someone and agree to something like views opinions.  
Hence option D fits in the context.

**Q12. Rahul was \_\_\_\_\_ with a natural talent for painting.**

- (a) given
- (b) entrusted
- (c) showered
- (d) endowed

**S12. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** entrust: assign the responsibility for doing something to endow: provide with a quality, ability or asset.  
Hence option D fits in the context.

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**Q13. At that time he \_\_\_\_\_ a novel for two months.**

- (a) had been writing
- (b) was writing
- (c) had been written
- (d) should written

**S13. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** An action that began before a certain point of time in the past and was continuing at the given point of time in the sentence. Time expressions like since last year, for last year/few days are generally put after perfect continuous tense.

**Q14. He waited with \_\_\_\_\_ breathe for the door to open.**

- (a) baited
- (b) bated
- (c) beaten
- (d) bitten

**S14. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Baited is the Past Participle of the verb 'bait' which means deliberately annoy or taunt.

Bated is an adjective which means in great suspense; very anxiously or excitedly.

An adjective with an apt meaning is required to complete the sentence. Hence option B fits in the context.

**Q15. New Year's resolutions typically include the \_\_\_\_\_ of alcohol.**

- (a) repudiation
- (b) dissuade
- (c) exigency
- (d) urgency

**S15. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Repudiate: Refuse to accept.

Exigency: An urgent need or demand/something that is necessary in a particular situation.

**Q16. That author writes with \_\_\_\_\_ about his experiences.**

- (a) stupefaction
- (b) penury
- (c) candor
- (d) consortium

**S16. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Candor: The quality of being open and honest.

Penury: The state of being very poor.

Stupefaction: The state of being stupefied or stunned.

**Q17. Our nation's \_\_\_\_\_ into another country's war could pull us into the crisis.**

- (a) intervention
- (b) intention
- (c) perfection
- (d) invention

**S17. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Intervention: the interference of a country in the affairs of another country for the purpose of compelling it to do or forbear doing certain acts.

Hence option A fits in the context.

**Q18. The chemical warfare capability of Iraq is a \_\_\_\_\_ to aggression even by the Super powers.**

- (a) pretext
- (b) constraint
- (c) deterrent
- (d) detriment

**S18. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Deterrent: something that is intended to discourage someone from doing something.

**Q19. The purpose of education must be to \_\_\_\_\_ attitudes as well as to impart knowledge and skills.**

- (a) manage
- (b) rationalize
- (c) internalize
- (d) adjust

**S19. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** rationalize: attempt to explain or justify (behavior or an attitude) with logical reasons.

**Q20. The peasant's produce was \_\_\_\_\_ in lieu of his previous year's rent.**

- (a) quelled
- (b) mobbed
- (c) confiscated
- (d) captured

**S20. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Confiscate: take or seize (someone's property) with authority.

**Directions (21-22):** In each of the following questions, out of the given alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word.

**Q21. REBATE**

- (a) Loss
- (b) Refund
- (c) Command
- (d) Regards

**S21. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Rebate: a partial refund to someone who has paid too much for tax, rent or a utility.

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**Q22. IMPETUOUS**

- (a) Violent
- (b) Calm
- (c) Defend
- (d) Critical

**S22. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Impetuous: moving forcefully or rapidly.

Violent: using or involving physical force intended to hurt, damage.

**Directions (23-25): Four alternatives are given for the Idioms/Phrase printed in bold. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Idiom/Phrase.**

**Q23. On the carpet**

- (a) Of rare excellence
- (b) To brag about one's achievements among eminent people
- (c) In a position of being reprimanded by one in authority
- (d) To earn money in little amount

**S23. Ans.(c)**

**Q24. Touch and go**

- (a) To waste
- (b) Dangerous and Uncertain
- (c) Conduct Secretly
- (d) Pleasant and Certain

**S24. Ans.(b)**

**Q25. To set at naught**

- (a) To like
- (b) To ruin
- (c) To admire
- (d) To be agree

**S25. Ans.(b)**

**Directions (26-27): In each of the following questions, out of the given alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/ sentence.**

**Q26. One who believes that everything is pre-destined**

- (a) Pessimist
- (b) Fatalist
- (c) Palmist
- (d) Astrologer

**S26. Ans.(b)**

**Q27. A verse letter**

- (a) Epistle
- (b) Epitaph
- (c) Pantomime
- (d) Lay

**S27. Ans.(a)**

**Q28. Four words are given, out of which only one word is spelt correctly. Choose the correctly spelt word and click the button corresponding to it.**

- (a) Impeccunious
- (b) Impetuous
- (c) Innchoate
- (d) Inemical

**S28. Ans.(b)**

**Q29. Four words are given, out of which only one word is spelt correctly. Choose the correctly spelt word and click the button corresponding to it.**

- (a) Litigant
- (b) Licenteous
- (c) Malestrom
- (d) Maudline

**S29. Ans.(a)**

**Q30. Four words are given, out of which only one word is spelt correctly. Choose the correctly spelt word and click the button corresponding to it.**

- (a) Malfeasance
- (b) Irascibble
- (c) Eudeomonic
- (d) Acqueisce

**S30. Ans.(a)**

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