SSC Tier 1 Sunday English Mega Quiz – Questions with Solutions

Q1. Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.
(Having tired of) playing he sat down to rest.
(a) Having tired with
(b) Having tired by
(c) Having been tired of
(d) No improvement

S1. Ans.(c)
Sol. “Tired” is a state which is shown here before which we need to add “linking verb” and with “having” linking verb “been” can be used. Thus option (c) is correct.

Q2. In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option.
For a moment, I was _____________ blinded by the camera’s bright flash.
(a) heavily
(b) totally
(c) greatly
(d) powerfully

S2. Ans.(b)
Sol. “Totally” is the correct word to use which means completely.

Q3. In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select ‘No Error’.
The examination begins (A)/ from Monday (B)/ next week. (C)/ No error (D)
(a) A
(b) B
(c) C
(d) D

S3. Ans.(b)
Sol. Use ‘on’ in place of ‘from’. On is used to show a day or date.

Q4. In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option.
The vehicles involved in the accident were _____________ the flow of traffic.
(a) obstructing
(b) boosting
(c) interfering
(d) delaying
S4. Ans.(a)
Sol. **Obstructing**: a thing that impedes or prevents passage or progress; an obstacle or blockage.
**Boost**: help or encourage (something) to increase or improve.
**Interfering**: prevent (a process or activity) from continuing or being carried out properly.
Option (a) best suits the context of the sentence.

Q5. Select the synonym of
**Embrouil**
(a) misappropriate
(b) irritate
(c) embarrass
(d) involve
S5. Ans.(d)
Sol. **Embrouil**: involve (someone) deeply in an argument, conflict, or difficult situation.

Q6. Select the antonym of
**Attenuate**
(a) support
(b) pay attention
(c) brood
(d) proliferate
S6. Ans.(d)
Sol. **Attenuate**: reduce the force, effect, or value of.
**Proliferate**: increase rapidly in number; multiply.

Q7. Select the antonym of
**Perfunctory**
(a) thorough
(b) sketchy
(c) cursory
(d) routine
S7. Ans.(a)
Sol. **Perfunctory**: (of an action) carried out without real interest, feeling, or effort.
**Thorough**: performed or written with great care and completeness.

Q8. Select the word with the correct spelling.
(a) irrascibility
(b) irasibility
(c) irresibility
(d) irascibility
S8. Ans.(d)
Sol. **Irascibility**: easily provoked to anger; very irritable.
Q9. Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order.
P. For novel coronavirus (nCoV) infection.
Q. China recently and were under observation.
R. Two persons who had returned from.
S. In Kozhikode, Kerala, have left the country for Saudi Arabia.
(a) RSQP
(b) QPSR
(c) PSRQ
(d) RQPS
S9. Ans.(d)

Q10. Select the synonym of
Grate
(a) honourable
(b) mince
(c) clasp
(d) waste
S10. Ans.(b)
Sol. Grate: reduce (food) to small shreds by rubbing it on a grater.
Mince: cut up (food, especially meat) into very small pieces, typically in a machine.

Q11. In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option.
I _______ to return by the 3rd of the month.
(a) strategize
(b) program
(c) plan
(d) project
S11. Ans.(c)
Sol. An intention is always represented by “plan”.

Q12. Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.
Einstein was one (of the wisest men) that ever lived.
(a) of the wisest man
(b) wise man
(c) wisest man
(d) no improvement
S12. Ans.(d)
Sol. No improvement
Q13. Select the word with the correct spelling.
(a) oxidieser
(b) thespian
(c) appruval
(d) secreetes
S13. Ans.(b)
Sol. Thespian: relating to drama and the theatre.

Q14. In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.
To sweep over something so as to surround it completely
(a) engulf
(b) imbibe
(c) drown
(d) plunge
S14. Ans.(a)
Sol. Engulf: a natural force sweep over something so as to surround or cover it completely.

Q15. Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.
Venezuelans (were being) deprived of food and medicines for the past year.
(a) were
(b) are
(c) have been
(d) no improvement
S15. Ans.(c)
Sol. As the “duration” has been given thus present perfect or present perfect continuous should be used. However “v3” has been given thus the voice used is passive. So option (c) is the correct choice.
Venezuela have deprived of food and medicine for the past year. (incorrect)
Venezuela have been deprived of food and medicine for the past year. (correct).

Q16. In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.
Turn a blind eye
(a) Not able to see the obvious truth
(b) Hide the ugly truth from someone
(c) Pretend not to notice
(d) Stay away from bad habits
S16. Ans.(c)
Sol. Turn a blind eye: pretend not to notice.

Q17. In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one, which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech.
The girl in the red dress said to me, "Where is the film studio?"
(a) The girl in the red dress inquired me where the film studio is.
(b) The girl in the red dress asked me where is the film studio.
(c) The girl in the red dress asked me where the film studio is.
(d) The girl in the red dress asked me where the film studio was.
S17. Ans.(d)
Q18. Select the synonym of “Sheath”
(a) weapon
(b) hide
(c) encourage
(d) coat
S18. Ans.(d)
Sol. Sheath: a close-fitting cover for the blade of a knife or sword.

Q19. Select the antonym of “Primed”
(a) fit
(b) able
(c) unready
(d) prepped
S19. Ans.(c)
Sol. Primed: to make something ready for use or action, in particular.
Prepped: to prepare something ready.

Q20. Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order
Aggregate levels of under nutrition in India
P - remain shockingly high, despite the impressive
Q - stunting in the last decade
R - reduction in
(a) PRQ
(b) QPR
(c) RPQ
(d) QRP
S20. Ans.(a)

Q21. Select the most appropriate word to fill in the blank.
There is also a chance of _______ rivalries within the Communist Party flaring up as Mr. Xi’s policies take a hit.
(a) glimmering
(b) garrulous
(c) internecine
(d) independent
S21. Ans.(c)
Sol. Internecine: relating to conflict within a group; deadly.

Q22. Select the synonym of the given word.
Vitreous
(a) glassy
(b) cunningly
(c) hazy
(d) harshly
S22. Ans.(a)
Sol. Vitreous: like glass in appearance or physical properties.
Hence option A is the correct synonym.
Q23. Select the synonym of the given word.
Retentive
(a) forgetful
(b) mindful
(c) hateful
(d) stressed
S23. Ans.(b)
Sol. Retentive: (of a person's memory) effective in retaining facts and impressions.
Mindful: careful not to forget about something.
Hence option B is the correct choice.

Q24. Select the antonym of the given word.
Grapple
(a) clench
(b) clasp
(c) unleash
(d) seize
S24. Ans.(c)
Unleash: to release.

Q25. Select the antonym of the given word.
Imperious
(a) authoritarian
(b) bullish
(c) assertive
(d) meek
S25. Ans.(d)
Meek: quiet, gentle, and easily imposed on; submissive.

Q26. Select the wrongly spelt word.
(a) Musoleum
(b) Grievous
(c) Apartheid
(d) Dispossession
S26. Ans.(a)
Sol. Correct word is “Mausoleum” which means a stately or impressive building housing a tomb or group of tombs.
Q27. Select the word with the incorrect spelling.
(a) Palliate
(b) Obsequious
(c) Lassitude
(d) Irrepressible
S27. Ans.(b)
Sol. “Obsequious” is the correct spelling which means obedient or attentive to an excessive or servile degree.

Directions (28-29): In the following questions, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice.

Q28. I saw him fighting in the street.
(a) He had been seen fighting in the street by me.
(b) He was seen to be fighting in the street.
(c) He is seen to be fighting in the street by me.
(d) He was seen fighting in the street by me.
S28. Ans.(d)

Q29. How much a month do you pay this man?
(a) In a month how much are you paid this man?
(b) How much a month this man is paid by you?
(c) How much a month is this man paid by you?
(d) How much a month are you paid by this man?
S29. Ans.(c)

Q30. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Select the option that gives their correct order.
A. Reconstruct in their heads the period when the sun never set on the British Empire.
B. In its compound lie buried several figures who landscaped the colonial era, and a mere walk.
C. As far as colonial-era monuments go, St. John’s Church in Kolkata is by far the richest in terms of history.
D. In the churchyard — looking at the tombstones and tablets — can help discerning visitors.
(a) BDAC
(b) CDBA
(c) CBDA
(d) BADC
S30. Ans.(c)