

SSC Tier 1 Sunday English Mega Quiz – Questions with Solutions

Q1. In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.

The popularity of the yesteryears' superstar is **on the wane**.

- (a) growing more
- (b) at its peak
- (c) declining
- (d) at rock-bottom

S1. Ans.(c)

Sol. on the wane: becoming less; fading away.

Q2. Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order.

P. And what they eat with the number of heart attacks they have.

Q. Continuing reports from doctors who are measuring.

R. Disclose the pattern linking how people live.

S. The incidence of heart attacks all over the world.

- (a) QSRP
- (b) PSRQ
- (c) RQPS
- (d) SPRQ

S2. Ans.(a)

Q3. In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.

At Christmas, even the elderly fathers **paint the town red**.

- (a) indulge in rioting
- (b) painting the walls of the house
- (c) spill red wine
- (d) have a lively time

S3. Ans.(d)

Sol. Paint the town red: to go out and enjoy yourself in the evening, often drinking a lot of alcohol and dancing.

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Q4. In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one, which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech.

He asked his teacher, "Need I read this chapter?"

- (a) He asked his teacher whether he needed to read the chapter.
- (b) He asked his teacher whether I needed to read this chapter.
- (c) He asked his teacher if it was necessary to read this chapter.
- (d) He asked his teacher if he had to read that chapter.

S4. Ans.(a)

Sol. Here 'this' is used as an adjective hence according to the rule it changes into "the" while converting the speech from direct into indirect.

Q5. Select the synonym of

Appraisal

- (a) Estimation
- (b) Enlightenment
- (c) Appropriation
- (d) Application

S5. Ans.(a)

Sol. Appraisal means an act of assessing something or someone.

Estimation means a rough calculation of the value, number, quantity, or extent of something.

Q6. In the following question, sentence given with blank is 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 chairman ____ the company's funds, so he was dismissed.

- (a) pirated
- (b) misplaced
- (c) misappropriated
- (d) enticed

S6. Ans.(c)

Sol. Misappropriate: dishonestly or unfairly take something, (especially money, belonging to another) for one's own use.

Q7. Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

(Hardly he had eaten his food and) he got a call from his boss.

- (a) Hardly had he eaten his food then
- (b) Hardly he had eaten his food when
- (c) Hardly had he eaten his food when
- (d) No improvement

S7. Ans.(c)

Sol. Scarcely, hardly, and barely are followed by **when**. After scarcely, hardly etc. we use helping verb first, then comes the subject. Hence, option (c) is the best choice here.

Q8. 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.

Soaring temperature seemed to have made life tough for Sahara Chief Subrata Roy, who _____ that a cooler be placed inside his cell at Tihar Jail.

- (a) pledged
- (b) ordered
- (c) advised
- (d) requested

S8. Ans.(d)

Q9. Select the word with the incorrect spelling.

- (a) manganese
- (b) manoeuvre
- (c) mammography
- (d) meritorious

S9. Ans.(b)

Sol. Maneuver or **manoeuvre** means a movement or series of moves requiring skill and care.

Q10. Select the synonym of Indomitable

- (a) Extraordinary
- (b) Controllable
- (c) Hospitable
- (d) Unyielding

S10. Ans.(d)

Sol. Indomitable means impossible to subdue or defeat.

Unyielding means something which is stiff or inflexible.

Q11. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

Gigantic

- (a) Revere
- (b) Discern
- (c) Colossal
- (d) Embolden

S11. Ans.(c)

Sol. Gigantic: of very great size or extent; huge or enormous.

Colossal: extremely large or great.

Revere: to show devoted deferential honor to.

Discern: to recognize or identify as separate and distinct.

Embolden: give (someone) the courage or confidence to do something.

Hence Gigantic and Colossal are synonyms to each other.



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Q12. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

Refractory

- (a) Obedient
- (b) Refined
- (c) Obstinate
- (d) Joyful

S12. Ans.(c)

Sol. Refractory: stubborn or unmanageable.

Obedient: complying or willing to comply with an order or request; submissive to another's authority.

Refined: elegant and cultured in appearance, manner, or taste.

Obstinate: stubbornly refusing to change one's opinion or chosen course of action, despite attempts to persuade one to do so.

Hence **Refractory** and **Obstinate** are synonyms to each other.

Q13. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

Earthly

- (a) Heavenly
- (b) Mundane
- (c) Bodily
- (d) Terrestrial

S13. Ans.(a)

Sol. Earthly: relating to humankind's material existence as distinct from a spiritual or heavenly one.

Heavenly: of heaven; divine.

Hence **Earthly** and **Heavenly** are antonyms to each other.

Q14. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

Demur

- (a) Taller
- (b) Yield
- (c) Hazy
- (d) Concur

S14. Ans.(d)

Sol. Demur: raise objections or show reluctance.

Yield: to stop refusing to do something or to obey somebody.

Concur: to agree.

Hence **Demur** and **Concur** are antonyms to each other.

Q15. Select the correctly spelt word.

- (a) lassoing
- (b) psychik
- (c) thacher
- (d) squeezer

S15. Ans.(a)

Sol. Lassoing means to catch (an animal) with a lasso.

Q16. Select the correctly spelt word.

- (a) humable
- (b) customer
- (c) breches
- (d) boufant

S16. Ans.(b)

Sol. Customer means a person who buys goods or services from a shop or business.

Q17. In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of four alternatives suggested, select the one, which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice.

Medicine tastes bitter.

- (a) Medicine is bitter.
- (b) Taste of the medicine is bitter.
- (c) Medicine is bitter when it is tasted.
- (d) Medicine was bitter when it was tasted.

S17. Ans.(c)

Sol. When a sentence is given such that the verb is followed by an adjective then the structure of its passive voice is (subject + helping verb + adjective + when + pronoun + helping verb + V3). In the given sentence 'medicine' is subject, 'tastes' is verb and 'bitter' is adjective.

Q18. In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one, which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech.

I said, "Raj, did you take my pen"?

- (a) I told Raj if he took my pen.
- (b) I asked Raj if he had taken my pen.
- (c) I asked him whether did he take my pen.
- (d) I asked Raj whether he took my pen.

S18. Ans.(b)

Directions (19-20) : Given below are four jumbled sentences. Out of the given options pick the one that gives their correct order.

Q19. (P) Served as one of the sub-themes of the cultural nationalistic reassertion.

(Q) Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, and Homeopathy (AYUSH),

(R) In the early 20th century against the imperialistic British reign.

(S) Revival of the Indian systems of medicine, which comprises.

- (a) PRSQ
- (b) SQPR
- (c) QPSR
- (d) SRQP

S19. Ans.(b)



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Q20. (P) Caretaker CM Devendra Fadnavis on Monday arrived in New Delhi.

(Q) Related to government formation were also on the agenda.

(R) To ask for more relief for the flood-hit districts, but issues.

(S) To meet with Union Home Minister and BJP chief Amit Shah, ostensibly.

(a) PQRS

(b) SRQP

(c) QRPS

(d) PSRQ

S20. Ans.(d)

Directions (21-23): In the following questions, 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'.

Q21. At a time which most firms (A)/ were finding it difficult (B) / to raise money, we succeeded in raising the necessary funds. (C) / No error (D).

(a) A

(b) B

(c) C

(d) D

S21. Ans.(a)

Sol. Replace 'which' with 'when'.

Q22. Everyone is keen in knowing / (A) the forecast for the monsoon / (B) this year as it has been the major cause of inflation in Asia. / (C) No error (D)

(a) A

(b) B

(c) C

(d) D

S22. Ans.(a)

Sol. Replace 'in' with 'on'.

Keen on something is the correct phrase which means interested in something and enjoying it, especially an activity that you do often.

Q23 Building biogas plants will help to reduce (A)/ greenhouse gas emissions by reducing the consuming of conventional fuels (B)/ such as firewood and kerosene. (C)/ No error.(D)

(a) A

(b) B

(c) C

(d) D

S23. Ans.(b)

Sol. Replace 'consuming' with 'consumption'.

Directions (24-25): In the following questions, sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested in the question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option.

Q24. Nothing is impossible in the world of politics. States which were implacable foes and had their deadly missiles pointed at each other find themselves ____ in military alliances.

- (a) partners
- (b) joining
- (c) approaching
- (d) soliciting

S24. Ans.(a)

Sol. Partners is the correct use.

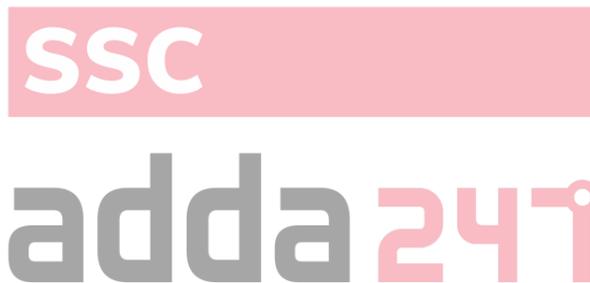
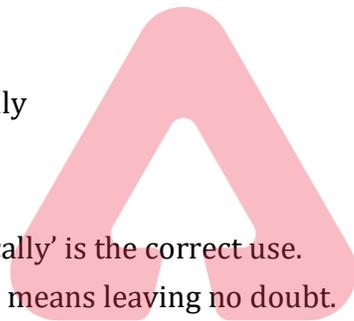
Q25. Regardless of whether leaders are born or made, it is _____ clear that leaders are not like other people.

- (a) relaxingly
- (b) amply
- (c) unequivocally
- (d) keenly

S25. Ans.(c);

Sol. 'Unequivocally' is the correct use.

Unequivocally means leaving no doubt.



Q26. Which one of the following word is correctly spelt?

- (a) Fullfil
- (b) Remunerative
- (c) Fabbulous
- (d) Usefull

S26. Ans.(b)

Sol. **Remunerative** means financially rewarding; lucrative.

Q27. Which one of the following word is correctly spelt?

- (a) Pedestrean
- (b) Pedestrian
- (c) Padestrian
- (d) Pedistrian

S27. Ans.(b)

Sol. **Pedestrian** means a person walking rather than travelling in a vehicle.

Directions (28-30): 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. People believed that witches communicated with the devil.

- (a) That witches communicated with the devil is being believed.
- (b) It was believed that the witches have communicated with the devil.
- (c) It was believed that witches communicated with the devil.
- (d) That witches communicated with the devil has been widely believed.

S28. Ans.(c)

Q29. We had to stop all other work to complete our assignment.

- (a) All other work has to be stopped by us to complete our assignment.
- (b) All other work had stopped by us to complete our assignment.
- (c) All other work had to be stopped by us to complete our assignment.
- (d) All other work was stopped by us to complete our assignment.

S29. Ans.(c)

Q30. Gandhiji started the Quit India Movement in 1942.

- (a) The Quit India Movement was started by Gandhiji in 1942.
- (b) The Quit India Movement was been started by Gandhiji in 1942.
- (c) The Quit India Movement had been started by Gandhiji in 1942.
- (d) The Quit India Movement started by Gandhiji in 1942.

S30. Ans.(a)



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