

SSC Tier 1 Sunday English Mega Quiz

Q1. Select the correctly spelt word.

- (a) mongose
- (b) salavaged
- (c) belives
- (d) although

S1. Ans.(d)

Sol. Correct spelling is **Although**: in spite of the fact that.

Directions (2-6): Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives.

American economists William D. Nordhaus and Paul M. Romer were jointly awarded the 50th economics Nobel prize this week in recognition of their work on economic growth and its long-run sustainability. The Nobel committee noted that the duo's work "brought us considerably closer to answering the important question of how we can achieve sustained and sustainable economic growth". The committee's praise is fitting as both economists devoted their careers to the study of the various "externalities" or "spillovers" that affect economic growth in a market economy. Mr. Nordhaus, for one, has been a pioneer in the movement towards quantifying the impact of economic growth on the climate and, in turn, the impact of climate change on economic growth. To correct this problem, he recommended imposing appropriate carbon taxes to curb pollution that was detrimental to growth in the long run. Mr. Romer, on the other hand, studied the importance of technology in achieving economic growth. He proposed the endogenous growth model where technological progress is seen as the outgrowth of businesses and other entities investing in research and development. At the same time, he recognised ways in which the market economy may undersupply technological innovations.

Q2. Economists William D. Nordhaus and Paul M. Romer were awarded for

- (a) long sustainability of their carrier
- (b) for studying economics
- (c) for studying climate and its impact on economic growth
- (d) recognition of their work on economic growth and its long-run sustainability.

S2. Ans.(d)

Sol. Refer to lines "American economists William D. Nordhaus and Paul M. Romer were jointly awarded the 50th economics Nobel prize this week in recognition of their work on economic growth and its long-run sustainability"



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Q3. Who has been the pioneer in the movement towards quantifying the impact of economic growth?

- (a) Mr. Nordhaus
- (b) Paul M. Romer
- (c) both Mr. Nordhaus and Paul M. Romer
- (d) None of these

S3. Ans.(a)

Sol. Refer to the lines “Mr. Nordhaus, for one, has been a pioneer in the movement towards quantifying the impact of economic growth on the climate and, in turn, the impact of climate change on economic growth.”

Q4. Why did Mr. Nordhaus recommend imposing appropriate carbon taxes to curb pollution?

- (a) because it was a roadblock in achieving economic growth.
- (b) because it was a roadblock in research and development.
- (c) because it was detrimental to growth in the long run.
- (d) None of these

S4. Ans.(c)

Sol. Refer to the lines “To correct this problem, he recommended imposing appropriate carbon taxes to curb pollution that was detrimental to growth in the long run.”

Q5. What can be the antonym for “sustainability” as per the passage?

- (a) support
- (b) renewability
- (c) viability
- (d) temporary

S5. Ans.(d)

Sol. **Sustainability** means the ability to be maintained at a certain rate or level.

Temporary means lasting for only a limited period of time; not permanent.

Q6. The Nobel committee praised both the economists because

- (a) of their work on economic growth and its long-run sustainability.
- (b) for technological innovations.
- (c) to answering the important question of how we can achieve sustained and sustainable economic growth”
- (d) both economists devoted their careers to the study of the various “externalities” or “spillovers” that affect economic growth in a market economy

S6. Ans.(d)

Sol. Refer to the lines “The committee’s praise is fitting as both economists devoted their careers to the study of the various “externalities” or “spillovers” that affect economic growth in a market economy.”

Q7. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.

No, I had no idea they were planning to get married. They must have reached that decision

- (a) under the rose
- (b) under the dome
- (c) under the roof
- (d) under the sun

S7. Ans.(a)

Sol. Under the rose: Privately, confidentially, or in secret.

Q8. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.

The cyclone did not hit the coastal areas as expected.

- (a) As it was expected, the cyclone did not hit the coastal areas.
- (b) The cyclone was hit by the coastal areas as expected.
- (c) The coastal areas was not hit by the cyclone as expected.
- (d) The coastal areas were not hit by the cyclone as expected.

S8. Ans.(d)

Q9. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.

The Trump administration has barred Chinese passenger carriers from flying to the U.S.

- (a) Chinese passenger carriers were barred from flying to the U.S. by the Trump administration.
- (b) Chinese passenger carriers had been barred from flying to the U.S. by the Trump administration.
- (c) Chinese passenger carriers have been barred from flying to the U.S. by the Trump administration.
- (d) Chinese passenger carriers are barred from flying to the U.S. by the Trump administration.

S9. Ans.(c)

Q10. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

Experts say, "The move penalizes China for failing to comply with an existing agreement on flights between the two countries."

- (a) Experts tell that the move penalized China for failing to comply with an existing agreement on flights between the two countries.
- (b) Experts said that the move penalized China for failing to comply with an existing agreement on flights between the two countries.
- (c) Experts say that the move penalizes China for failing to comply with an existing agreement on flights between the two countries.
- (d) Experts told that the move penalizes China for failing to comply with an existing agreement on flights between the two countries.

S10. Ans.(c)

Directions (11-20): 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'.

Q11. Its my duty to teach well because students have entrusted me with their careers.

- (a) Its my duty to
- (b) teach well because
- (c) students have entrusted
- (d) me with their careers.

S11. Ans.(a)

Sol. Replace "Its" with "It's". **Its** shows the possession of something whereas **It's** expands as "It is".



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Q12. The girls watched intently as the shopkeeper draped saree on the customer with a practised hand.

- (a) The girls watched intently
- (b) as the shopkeeper draped
- (c) saree on the customer
- (d) with a practiced hand.

S12. Ans.(d)

Sol. “Skilled” will replace “practiced” because – skilled means trained or experienced in work that requires skill.

Q13. The Ex- MLA talked as if he has already been elected to the presidency.

- (a) The Ex- MLA talked
- (b) as if he has already been
- (c) elected to the presidency.
- (d) No error

S13. Ans.(b)

Sol. “Had” will replace “has” because – Use of ‘**as if**’ indicates an imaginary situation or a situation that may not be true. The Verb after ‘**as if**’ is always in the Past Subjunctive.

Q14. “There were a lot of difficulties, but I am happy that all those hurdles have been overcome and finally the delivery of buses has started and the first lot has today hit the roads,” the CM said.

- (a) There were a lot of difficulties, but I am happy that all those
- (b) hurdles have been overcome and finally the delivery
- (c) of buses has started and the first lot has today hit the roads
- (d) No error

S14. Ans.(d)

Sol. No error

Q15. He described about his training routine and academy experiences in a letter to his parents.

- (a) He described about his
- (b) training routine and academy
- (c) experiences in a letter to his parents.
- (d) No error

S15. Ans.(a)

Sol. “Described” will replace “described about” because – describe means to say about something / someone, give a detailed account of something. Use of **about** is superfluous.

Q16. Her father is really good in mathematics but she performs very poorly in it.

- (a) Her father is really
- (b) good in mathematics
- (c) but she performs very poorly in it.
- (d) No error

S16. Ans.(b)

Sol. “At” will replace “in” because – **At** (Prep.) is used with Adjectives to show how well somebody does something.

Q17. The judges agreed with the submissions of Advocate General Vijay Narayan and Additional Government Pleader E. Manoharan that much water have flowed ever since the court expanded the scope of the case in August last year.

- (a) The judges agreed with the submissions of
- (b) Advocate General Vijay Narayan and Additional Government Pleader
- (c) E. Manoharan that much water have flowed ever since
- (d) the court expanded the scope of the case in August last year.

S17. Ans.(c)

Sol. “Had” will replace “have” as the sentence is in past tense.

Q18. James told Robert that Mona will leave for her native place the next day.

- (a) James told Robert that
- (b) Mona will leave for
- (c) her native place
- (d) the next day.

S18. Ans.(b)

Sol. Replace “will” with “would”. In Indirect Speech, **will** changes into **would** when the Direct Speech is in Future Tense.

Q19. He took some medicine for his lower abdominal pain before he went to sleep.

- (a) He took some medicine
- (b) for his lower abdominal pain
- (c) before he went to sleep.
- (d) No error

S19. Ans.(a)

Sol. “Had taken” will replace “took” because the antecedent part should be in perfect tense.

Q20. All developments we see in the establishment of civilisations across the world as well as agricultural development feeding the world today is a result of such ‘Commons’ being managed by communities for centuries.

- (a) All developments we see in the establishment of civilisations
- (b) across the world as well as agricultural development
- (c) feeding the world today is a result of such ‘Commons’
- (d) being managed by communities for centuries

S20. Ans.(c)

Sol. Use “are” in place of “is” because main subject of sentence is “All developments” which is plural in nature. As we know when two nouns are connected with words like ‘as well as, along with, with, etc.’ then the verb taken is in accordance with the first noun.



Directions (21-25): Each of the following items in this section consists of a sentence the part of which have been jumbled. These parts have been labelled P, Q, R and S. Given below each sentence are four sequence namely (a), (b), (c) and (d). You are required to rearrange the jumbled parts of the sentence and mark your response accordingly.

Q21. Domestic fires in Indian villages

P. as the heat is dispersed,

Q. an unhealthy smoke accumulates in unventilated houses

R. are wasteful

S. lit in Chulhas

The correct sequence should be

(a) PQSR

(b) PQRS

(c) SPQR

(d) SRPQ

S21. Ans.(d)

Q22. Bold rocks near at hand

P. makes a fine forest for the imagination

Q. than distant Alps

R. are more inspiring

S. and the thick fern upon a heath

The correct sequence should be

(a) QRSP

(b) RSQP

(c) RQSP

(d) SRQP

S22. Ans.(c)

Q23. Newton discovered that

P. due to the gravitational pull

Q. of the earth

R. the apple falls

S. on the ground

The correct sequence should be

(a) QPRS

(b) RSPQ

(c) QSPR

(d) SQRP

S23. Ans.(b)

Q24. The knocking

P. were still in the house

Q. for some time

R. although the echoes of it

S. ceased



The correct sequence should be

- (a) SRPQ
- (b) SPQR
- (c) PQSR
- (d) RSPQ

S24. Ans.(a)

Q25. The history of mankind is

P. and steady progress

Q. continuous change

R. the history of

S. from barbarism to refinement

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQRS
- (b) RQPS
- (c) QSPR
- (d) SQRP

S25. Ans.(b)

Directions (26-30): Each item in this section consists of a sentence with a bold word followed by four words or groups of words. Select the word or group of words that is nearest in meaning to the bold word your response accordingly.

Q26. The industrial Revolution saw a **massive** rise in the population of Europe.

- (a) enormous
- (b) erroneous
- (c) hazardous
- (d) perilous

S26. Ans.(a)

Sol. Enormous is a synonym of massive.

Q27. I had some deepest **convictions** reflected in my work.

- (a) ideas and opinions
- (b) firm beliefs
- (c) prejudices
- (d) biases

S27. Ans.(b)

Sol. Conviction means a firmly held belief or opinion.

Q28. This boy is very **timid**.

- (a) courageous
- (b) shy
- (c) clever
- (d) dull

S28. Ans.(b)

Sol. Timid means shy and nervous; without much confidence; easily frightened.

Q29. My friend is as **stubborn** as a mule.

- (a) observant
- (b) obnoxious
- (c) obstinate
- (d) corpulent

S29. Ans.(c)

Sol. Stubborn means having or showing dogged determination not to change one's attitude or position on something, especially in spite of good arguments or reasons to do so.

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

Q30. His behavior was deliberately **provocative**.

- (a) exciting desire
- (b) infuriating
- (c) pitiable
- (d) creating frustration

S30. Ans.(b)

Sol. Provocative means causing anger or another strong reaction, especially deliberately.

Infuriating means making one extremely angry and impatient.

