

SSC Tier 1 Sunday English Mega Quiz

Directions (1-2): In the following question, 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.

Q1. We will know the outcome of these experiments after six months.

- (a) The outcome of these experiments will be known to us after six months.
- (b) The outcome will be known of these experiments after six months.
- (c) After six months, we will know the outcome of these experiments.
- (d) These experiments will have a known outcome after six months.

Q2. He was congratulated by his teacher on his brilliant success in the recent examination.

- (a) His teacher congratulated him on his brilliant success in the recent examination.
- (b) His teacher congratulated him for his success in the examination.
- (c) His teacher congratulated him on his success.
- (d) His teacher congratulated him.

Directions (3-5): In the following questions, out of the given four alternatives, select the one which best expresses the antonym of the given word.

Q3. Vitiate

- (a) Degrade
- (b) Devalue
- (c) Establish
- (d) abate

Q4. Bogus

- (a) Sham
- (b) Phony
- (c) Artificial
- (d) Valid

Q5. Indictment

- (a) Summons
- (b) Acquittal
- (c) Charges
- (d) Notice

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Directions (6-10): Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives.

Great books do not spring from something accidental in the great men who write them. They are the effluence of their very core, the expression of the life itself of the authors. And literature cannot be said to have served its true purpose until it has been translated into the actual life of him who reads. It is the vast reservoir of true ideas and emotions. In a world deprived of literature, the broad, the noble, the generous would tend to disappear and life would be correspondingly degraded, because the wrong idea and the petty emotion would never feel the upward pull of the ideas and emotions of genius. Only by conceiving a society without literature can it be clearly realised that the function of literature is to raise the plain towards the top level of the peaks. Literature exist so that where a man has lived finely, ten thousands may afterwards live finely. it is a means of life, it concerns the living essence.

Q6. How have great books been written?

- (a) By an accidental means.
- (b) By great men who write them.
- (c) By men who think too much.
- (d) By men who imagine sometimes.

Q7. What does the words "effluence of their very core" mean?

- (a) Expression which is the outflow from the heart of the author.
- (b) Expression which is the influence from people's talk.
- (c) Expression of things that the author may have thought of.
- (d) Expression that the author wrote accidentally.

Q8. Literature cannot be said to have served its true purpose until it has been ____ into the actual life of the person who reads.

- (a) transfigured
- (b) transgressed
- (c) translated
- (d) transmuted

Q9. If a world is deprived of literature, what would happen to the broad, the noble and the generous?

- (a) They would be living a free life without care.
- (b) They would worry themselves into petty issues.
- (c) They would tend to disappear, and life would be correspondingly degraded.
- (d) They would celebrate life.

Q10. What is the function of literature?

- (a) To raise the plain above sea level.
- (b) To raise everything so that it does not sink to the sea level.
- (c) To raise the peaks towards the highest mountain.
- (d) To raise the plain towards the top level of the peaks.

Directions (11-12): In these questions, four alternatives are given for the idiom/phrase given in bold in the sentence. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase given in bold.

Q11. Gall and Wormwood

- (a) woodworm
- (b) a source of anger
- (c) a great fuss
- (d) beyond reason

Q12. Eat one's heart out

- (a) Working hard with passion.
- (b) to be very happy
- (c) invite trouble
- (d) suffer silently

Directions (13-14): In these questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the word given in bold.

Q13. ABNEGATION

- (a) Self-denial
- (b) Self-indulgence
- (c) Self-praise
- (d) Self-criticism

Q14. STUBBORN

- (a) Amenable
- (b) Obstinate
- (c) Compliant
- (d) Pliable

Directions (15-16): In these questions, out of the four alternatives choose the word opposite in meaning to the word given in bold.

Q15. Expound

- (a) Besmirch
- (b) Mystify
- (c) Refrain
- (d) Condemn



Q16. Idiosyncrasy

- (a) insanity
- (b) sanity
- (c) mainstream
- (d) abstraction

Directions (17-18): In the following questions, out of the four alternatives choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

Q17. A mild or indirect word or expression substituted for one considered to be too harsh or blunt when referring to something unpleasant or embarrassing

- (a) Bromide
- (b) Euphemism
- (c) Anodyne
- (d) Homonym

Q18. Agoraphobia is the fear of

- (a) Heights
- (b) Open spaces
- (c) Enclosed places
- (d) Animals

Q19. In this question, four words are given out of which only one is incorrectly spelt. Find the incorrectly spelt word.

- (a) Hillock
- (b) Vilify
- (c) Mileage
- (d) Hillarious

Q20. In this question, a sentence is given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Four alternatives are suggested for the question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four alternatives.

His _____ directions misled us; we did not know which road to take.

- (a) complex
- (b) mutable
- (c) mingled
- (d) vague

Directions (21-25): In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.

Q21. To steal a march

- (a) To gain an unexpected advantage over someone
- (b) To march in a funny way
- (c) To challenge someone
- (d) To see a hidden meaning

Q22. To spruce up

- (a) To jump with enthusiasm
- (b) To burst out on someone
- (c) To get ready fast
- (d) To make to look cleaner, neater, or more attractive

Q23. Chicken scratch

- (a) Wounds due to scratch of chicken
- (b) Very poor chicken dish
- (c) Very poor handwriting which is difficult to read
- (d) Very messy garden

Q24. To sleep with the fishes

- (a) Always be in a dream world
- (b) To make absurd excuses
- (c) To sleep peacefully
- (d) To be dead

Q25. To be pushing up daisies

- (a) To get up feeling fresh
- (b) To be dead and buried
- (c) To smell like flowers
- (d) Once beautiful but now ugly

Q26. In the question, four words are given, out of which only one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.

- (a) Nurosergery
- (b) Neurosurgery
- (c) Nurosurgery
- (d) Neurosurgery

Q27. In the question, four words are given, out of which only one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.

- (a) Harrasment
- (b) Harresment
- (c) Haressment
- (d) Harassment

Q28. In the question, four words are given, out of which only one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.

- (a) Assistant
- (b) Asisstant
- (c) Assisitent
- (d) Assisstant

Q29. In the question, four words are given, out of which only one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.

- (a) Anxeities
- (b) Anxieties
- (c) Anxeiteis
- (d) Anxieteis

Q30. In the question, four words are given, out of which only one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.

- (a) Resuscitate
- (b) Resusscitate
- (c) Resussitate
- (d) Ressusitate

