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Directions (1 – 5): In the question given below, a set of sentences is given, which when properly sequenced, form a coherent paragraph. Arrange the sentences in the correct sequence, and answer the questions.

P. Mumbai First has held a meeting with Chief Secretary Ajoy Mehta and discussed the need to set up a task force comprising scientists and experts on climate change from around the globe.

Q. In the wake of an unprecedented flood-like situation and record rainfall this season, the State government will constitute a task force comprising local and global experts to study the impact of climate change on Mumbai.

R. The task force will be set up by the environment department in coordination with Mumbai First, a not-for-profit, policy-influencing think tank.

S. The task force will study measures taken against flooding and unplanned reclamation in cities such as Venice, Geneva and London, and coordinate with the European Climate Change Programme of the European Union to prepare a blueprint.

T. NarinderNayar, chairman of Mumbai First, said that the proposal for the task force has been sent to the government while only the last-minute modalities are remaining.

1. Which of the following would be the FIRST statement after rearrangement?

a) P

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- b) R
- c) Q
- d) S
- e) T

2. Which of the following would be the SECOND statement after rearrangement?

- a) P
- b) R
- c) Q
- d) S
- e) T

3. Which of the following would be the THIRD statement after rearrangement?

- a) P
- b) R
- c) Q
- d) S
- e) T

4. Which of the following would be the FOURTH statement after rearrangement?

- a) P
- b) R
- c) Q
- d) S
- e) T

5. Which of the following would be the FIFTH statement after rearrangement?

- a) P
- b) R

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c) Q

d) S

e) T

Directions (6 – 10): In the question given below, a set of sentences is given, which when properly sequenced, form a coherent paragraph. Arrange the sentences in the correct sequence, and answer the questions.

P. All they have to do is to add the new product into their existing business model and supply chains, and use their existing marketing clout and resources to stay competitive.

Q. This may be acceptable for corporations since they have an existing business.

R. The biggest problem with product innovation is that most of it can be imitated and improved, their potential may be limited, or they may be highly risky because their potential is unproven.

S. The new product has to be marketed to prove its potential.

T. But entrepreneurs who focus on product innovations need to prove that they can implement their product innovation in order to get an edge over their existing and potential competitors.

6. Which of the following would be the FIRST statement after rearrangement?

a) P

b) R

c) Q

d) S

e) T

7. Which of the following would be the SECOND statement after rearrangement?

a) P

b) R

c) Q

d) S

e) T

8. Which of the following would be the THIRD statement after rearrangement?

a) P

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- b) R
- c) Q
- d) S
- e) T

9. Which of the following would be the FOURTH statement after rearrangement?

- a) P
- b) R
- c) Q
- d) S
- e) T

10. Which of the following would be the FIFTH statement after rearrangement?

- a) P
- b) R
- c) Q
- d) S
- e) T

Directions (11 – 15): Given below is a set of six statements, out of which only the statement given in bold is fixed, and the rest are jumbled in any random order. Rearrange the remaining statements in the right order and answer the questions that follow.

- A. Among all this linguistic complexity, the city of Fribourg/Freiburg (as it's known in French/German) has the added challenge of lying on the language borders between French- and German-speaking cantons - Vaud and Bern - which is perhaps why it's home to a people who decided to develop their own language.
- B. It gets even more confusing when you throw in the various dialects, such as Franc Comtois, a French dialect spoken in Switzerland's Jura and Bern cantons; and Swiss German, which is learned at home and only used conversationally.
- C. The south, which shares in the famous lakes of the Swiss-Italian lake region, is Italian-speaking.**
- D. The nation can be geographically divided into three major language groups.

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E. To the west near Geneva is French-speaking; while central and eastern parts of the country, such as Zurich and St Moritz, rely on German.

F. Speak to any Swiss national, and you'll likely find them enthralled with the topic of communication, probably because languages are so incredibly diverse within this small country.

11. Which of the following will be the LAST sentence after rearrangement?

- a) A
- b) D
- c) F
- d) B
- e) E

12. Which of the following will be the FOURTH sentence after rearrangement?

- a) E
- b) F
- c) D
- d) B
- e) A

13. Which of the following will be the FIRST sentence after rearrangement?

- a) F
- b) A
- c) D
- d) E
- e) B

14. Which of the following will be the FIFTH sentence after rearrangement?

- a) A
- b) D
- c) F

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d) E

e) B

15. Which of the following will be the SECOND sentence after rearrangement?

a) B

b) D

c) F

d) A

e) E

Directions (16 – 20): A set of six statements is given below, five of which when properly sequenced, form a coherent paragraph. One of the sentences does not relate to the common theme of the paragraph. Read the set of statements and answer the questions that follow.

A. They were also able to map out previously unknown geological faults and detect the seismic signals generated by ocean waves.

B. The results show that different stress element shape fibres have different optimum expanded angles to reach the maximum stress oscillation amplitude.

C. The expansive global network of undersea fibre-optic telecommunications cables could be used to measure offshore earthquakes and reveal geological structures beneath the ocean.

D. That is the claim of researchers in the US, who demonstrated the concept by using a section of cable in California's Monterey Bay to detect a small earthquake.

E. Today, however, our capacity to measure these signals is very limited and relies mainly on expensive and difficult-to-place monitoring stations on the ocean floor - which form a very patchy network.

F. Around 70% of the Earth's surface is covered by oceans and underwater seismic signals could provide information about offshore seismic hazards, underwater volcanoes, ocean movements and marine life.

16. Which of the following sentence will be the third sentence after rearrangement?

a) E

b) A

c) D

d) C

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e) B

17. Which of the following sentence is the odd one after rearrangement?

a) C

b) D

c) F

d) B

e) E

18. Which of the following sentence will be the last sentence after rearrangement?

a) D

b) C

c) B

d) E

e) A

19. Which of the following sentence will come just before D after rearrangement?

a) C

b) F

c) D

d) A

e) B

20. Which of the following sentence will come just after F after rearrangement?

a) D

b) F

c) E

d) A

e) B

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Directions (21 – 40): In the question given below, rearrange the parts of the sentence in the correct order, and choose the correct option.

21. the Union health ministry's plans to (A)/ to 2020 point to the confusion (B)/ extend the National Health Mission (C)/ in India's healthcare policy (D)

- a) ADBC
- b) ABDC
- c) BCDA
- d) ACBD
- e) No rearrangement required

22. Almost all banks (A)/ insist on maintaining a (B)/ monthly or quarterly (C)/ average balance in your savings account. (D)

- a) ADBC
- b) ABDC
- c) BCDA
- d) ACBD
- e) No rearrangement required

23. issued last year, banks are allowed (A)/ according to the RBI notification (B)/ five transactions made at ATMs in a month (C)/ to charge customers for more than (D)

- a) ACBD
- b) ABDC
- c) BADC
- d) BACD
- e) No rearrangement required

24. if you want to avoid (A)/ shelling out unnecessary (B)/ only if you really need them (C)/ fees and charges, use chargeable bank services.(D)

- a) ACBD
- b) ABDC

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- c) BADC
- d) BACD
- e) No rearrangement required

25. Better educated parents (A)/and those who are better off (B)/children a birth certificate (C)/ are more likely to get their (D)

- a) ABDC
- b) ADBC
- c) BADC
- d) BACD
- e) No rearrangement required

26. outside of the United States (A)/ that is home to the biggest Microsoft research and development centre (B)/ Nadella grew up in Hyderabad (C)/, a technology hub in India (D).

- a) ABDC
- b) CDBA
- c) BDCA
- d) ACDB
- e) ABCD

27. U.S.-Saudi relations at a time (A)/ the Dec. 6 attack further complicated (B)/ of heightened tensions between (C)/ the United States and Iran (D)

- a) ABCD
- b) CADB
- c) CDBA
- d) BACD
- e) DACB

28. and overjoyed when the film won (A)/ said he was surprised (B)/ six Oscar nominations on Monday (C)/ “Parasite” director Bong Joon-ho (D)

- a) DBAC

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- b) ACBD
- c) BDAC
- d) CABD
- e) DCBA

29. mainly from Indonesia and Malaysia (A)/ than 9 million tonnes annually (B)/ of palm oil, buying more (C)/ India is the world's largest importer (D)

- a) ABCD
- b) CDBA
- c) BCDA
- d) DBCA
- e) DCBA

30. Amazon boss Jeff Bezos is expected (A)/ to visit India for (B)/ potential meetings with (C)/ government officials this week (D)

- a) DCBA
- b) BDCA
- c) ABCD
- d) CDBA
- e) DBCA

31. it could just as easily be life (A)/ while this might sound like life in prison, (B)/ in a sardine can of a rocket hurtling to Mars or a more distant world (C)/ as a deep-space explorer, (D).

- a) DABC
- b) BADC
- c) ACDB
- d) CADB
- e) No rearrangement is required

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32. increasingly delayed (A)/ to be stuck in a departure lounge (B)/ while our flight is (C)/ why is it so boring (D)

- a) ACDB
- b) CABD
- c) BADC
- d) DBCA
- e) No rearrangement is required

33. I remember having two observations (A)/ their pride and their prejudice (B)/ at the time, (C)/ about people that bugged me: (D).

- a) BADC
- b) BDCA
- c) CADB
- d) DABC
- e) No rearrangement is required

34. along with vast separation (A)/ interpersonal issues, (B)/ from loved ones, remain relatively unstudied (C)/ It has been shown that social isolation, limited privacy, (D)/

- a) DBAC
- b) CADB
- c) BADC
- d) ADBC
- e) No rearrangement is required

35. people who suffer from chronic boredom (A)/ are at higher risk of developing (B)/ psychological problems such as depression, (C)/ overeating, and alcohol and drug misuse (D).

- a) ACDB
- b) CADB
- c) DBAC
- d) BADC

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e) No rearrangement is required

36. of tremendous consequence (A)/ long contributed profound thoughts (B)/ great American leaders have (C)/ to the public discourse (D)

a) CDBA

b) CBAD

c) BDCA

d) BADC

e) No rearrangement required

37. television appearances on news shows (A)/ Dawkins has made many (B)/ providing his political opinions and (C)/ especially his views as an atheist (D)

a) DCBA

b) DACB

c) BACD

d) BDAC

e) No rearrangement required

38. organized by the city administration, (A)/ second combined effort of its kind (B)/ the underwater cleanup was the (C)/ the local community and the private sector (D)

a) CBDA

b) CBAD

c) DCAB

d) DBAC

e) No rearrangement required

39. they tend to generate a phenomenal (A)/ little importance on court decisions, (B)/ while civil law jurisdictions place (C)/ number of reported legal opinions (D)

a) CBAD

b) CBDA

c) DCBA

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d) DACB

e) No rearrangement required

40. February 2009 that the Arab World (A)/ the World Bank reported in (B)/ was far less severely affected (C)/ by the credit crunch (D)

a) DABC

b) DBCA

c) BCDA

d) BACD

e) No rearrangement required

41. If Sentence (C), "A study by the Maharashtra Food and Drug Authority has provided some disturbing information" is the first sentence of a paragraph, what is the order of other sentences after rearrangement?

(A) During the investigation, the authority was dumbfounded by what they found.

(B) It was apparent to them that basic medical supplies for heart patients were dangerously overpriced.

(C) A study by the Maharashtra Food and Drug Authority has provided some disturbing information.

(D) In fact, these important equipments for angioplasties were sold by hospitals at over five times the price.

(E) For example, a balloon catheter, imported at a price of Rs.4220, was bought by a hospital at Rs.7950, and sold at Rs.22000.

(F) The most startling fact was with regard to balloon and guiding catheters.

a) DABFE

b) AFEBD

c) AFDBE

d) FDEBA

e) AFDEB

42. If Sentence (C), "The Union Cabinet's approval in principle for disinvesting the government's stake in Air India is a momentous and welcome move" is the first sentence of a paragraph, what is the order of other sentences after rearrangement?

(A) So have attempts to bring about a turnaround in the operations of the airline by heavily subsidising it.

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- (B) At that time, the UPA government had opted for an equity infusion of over Rs 30,000 crore.
- (C) The Union Cabinet's approval in principle for disinvesting the government's stake in Air India is a momentous and welcome move.**
- (D) The last such attempt was made in 2012.
- (E) Yet, several previous attempts to offload the government's stake in the airline have come a cropper.
- (F) For far too long, Air India has struggled to be financially viable.

- a) DABFE
b) AEBFD
c) FEADB
d) ABEDF
e) BDFEA

43. If Sentence (C), "Last week, Mr Kalanick had offered to go on an indefinite leave of absence from Uber, which he had founded in 2009" is the second sentence of a paragraph, what is the order of other sentences after rearrangement?

- (A) He had also suggested that the day-to-day management be left to a committee of executives.
- (B) Five investors, who together own 40 per cent of the shareholders' votes in Uber, were adamant on Mr Kalanick's resignation.
- (C) Last week, Mr Kalanick had offered to go on an indefinite leave of absence from Uber, which he had founded in 2009.**
- (D) He will, however, continue to serve on Uber's board of directors.
- (E) Travis Kalanick has stepped down as the CEO of Uber, the popular taxi-hailing app, after a shareholder revolt of sorts.
- (F) But that was clearly not enough to placate irate shareholder-investors.

- a) EAFBD
b) AFBED
c) BEDAF
d) DBFEA

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e) EDFBA

44. If Sentence (C), "Many economists disapprove of politics of freebies and loan waivers" is the first sentence of a paragraph, what is the order of other sentences after rearrangement?

(A) The poor would then benefit from the trickle-down effect.

(B) This, he feels, will enable a healthy, empowered workforce to contribute to growth.

(C) Many economists disapprove of politics of freebies and loan waivers.

(D) Political parties like the BJP and the Congress, however, accord priority to freebies and welfare which get them votes.

(E) Amartya Sen, on the other hand, favours priority spending on education and health of the poor.

(F) Prof Jagdish Bhagwati and Arvind Panagariya, both Modi admirers, believe government spending should be guided by growth considerations.

a) BFEDA

b) BFDAE

c) FDAEB

d) FAEBD

e) FBDAE

45. In the question given below, five sentences, labeled A, B, C, D and E, are given. They need to be arranged in a logical order to form a coherent paragraph/passage. From the given options, choose the most appropriate option.

A. There are very specific rules about lighting a menorah; luckily most of them rely on simply knowing your left from your right.

B. The menorah has nine branches, one for each night of the Festival of Lights, plus a shamash, meaning helper or attendant, which is lit first and then used to light the other candles.

C. The shamash always sits a bit higher or lower than the rest of the candles so as to not get confused with the others.

D. The candles are placed on the menorah from right to left, the same direction in which one reads Hebrew.

E. However, when lighting the menorah you move in the opposite direction, using the shamash to light the candles from left to right.

a) BADEC

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- b) BAEDC
- c) ACDEB
- d) ABCDE
- e) AEDCB

46. In the question given below, five sentences, labeled A, B, C, D and E, are given. They need to be arranged in a logical order to form a coherent paragraph/passage. From the given options, choose the most appropriate option.

- (A) The recommendations came five years after a government panel weighed the ecological impact of the average Dutch person's diet, concluding last year that eating less meat is better for human and environmental health.
- (B) And their sights are set squarely on meat.
- (C) The Netherlands Nutrition Centre says it is recommending people eat just two servings of meat a week, setting an explicit limit on meat consumption for the first time.
- (D) The Nutrition Centre, a government-funded program responsible for making food-based dietary guidelines, took those conclusions and presented them on Tuesday in its "Wheel of Five" - a graphic distributed to the public.
- (E) Nutrition advisers in the Netherlands took a progressive step, one that will likely further stoke conversations about the relationship between a healthy diet and a healthy planet.

- a) EACDB
- b) EBCAD
- c) EBCDA
- d) EACBD
- e) EBDCA

47. If Sentence (C), "As is widely known, the GST is not a perfect system" is the first sentence of a paragraph, what is the order of other sentences after rearrangement?

- (A) Yet, it is an important advancement and contains the seeds of a truly transformative reform.
- (B) It is felt that the burden of the change in the indirect taxes would particularly fall on SMEs.
- (C) As is widely known, the GST is not a perfect system.
- (D) This is in the backdrop that the GST might indeed lead to an increase in the size of the formal, taxpaying sector.
- (E) That is because there are imperfections, especially when it relates to SMEs.

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(F) But there are effects of the GST that the government must keep its eye on.

- a) AEDBF
- b) AFEBD
- c) DAEFB
- d) AFDBE
- e) AEBFD

48. If Sentence (C), "This will definitely be the highest in value terms since 2012" is the last sentence of a paragraph, what is the order of other sentences after rearrangement?

- (A) The import bill is expected to cross \$40 billion this year.
- (B) India's gold imports in terms of quantity in the first half of 2017 crossed the entire imports of 2016.
- (C) This will definitely be the highest in value terms since 2012.
- (D) However, the imports in January-June 2017 were 521 tonnes.
- (E) These gold imports could cross 900 tonnes this year against an average of 709 tonnes in the past five years.
- (F) During this entire year of 2016, the country imported 510 tonnes of gold.

- a) BFEDA
- b) AFEBD
- c) BFDEA
- d) FDBEA
- e) FBDEA

49. If Sentence (C), "One very important change that concerns the economy is likely to become a reality soon" is the first sentence, what is the order of other sentences after rearrangement?

- (A) This was after the NDA government advanced the presentation of the Union Budget to the beginning of February.
- (B) The prime minister has also been a keen votary of such a change for a while now.
- (C) One very important change that concerns the economy is likely to become a reality soon.
- (D) The government appears determined on going ahead with this change in this fiscal year.

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(E) Recently, the Finance Minister informed the Lok Sabha that the government was considering shifting the fiscal year to January-December.

(F) In April, Mr Modi, during a NITI Aayog meeting, urged states to come on board.

- a) AEBFD
- b) DBFAE
- c) DAEFB
- d) EDBAF
- e) FBADE

50. If Sentence (C), "When deportations finally ended around 1936, up to 2 million Mexican-Americans had been repatriated" is the last sentence of a paragraph, what is the order of other sentences after rearrangement?

- A. As the stock market tanked and unemployment grew, Anglo-Americans accused Mexicans and other foreigners of stealing American jobs.
- B. Even people with disabilities and active illnesses were removed from hospitals and dumped at the border.
- C. When deportations finally ended around 1936, up to 2 million Mexican-Americans had been repatriated.
- D. As fears about jobs and the economy spread, the United States forcibly removed up to 2 million people of Mexican descent from the country - up to 60 percent of whom were American citizens.
- E. In the late 1920s, anti-Mexican sentiment spiked as the Great Depression began.
- F. Euphemistically referred to as 'repatriations', the removals were anything but voluntary.

- a) ADBFE
- b) EDAFB
- c) EADFB
- d) EAFBD
- e) AFDDB

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Solution with Explanation

(1 – 5): Common Explanation:

QS RTP is the correct sequence.

Q begins the paragraph by establishing the subject- setting up of a task force in reaction to the flood-like situation in Mumbai. Its aim is to study the impact of climate change on Mumbai. S follows Q. It talks about what the task force will do. R follows S. It states that the task force will be set up in coordination with Mumbai First, which is a not-for-profit think tank. T follows R. It talks about the statement given by the chairman of Mumbai First. P ends the passage, by stating that that the not-for-profit organisation has already met the Chief secretary and emphasised on the need to set up a task force to study the impact of climate change. Thus, Q will be the first statement.

1. Answer: C)

2. Answer: D)

3. Answer: B)

4. Answer: E)

5. Answer: A)

(6 – 10): Common Explanation:

RSQPT is the final order.

R begins the sentence by establishing the subject- Product Innovation. It talks about the problems related to product innovation.

S follows R as it keeps the focus on the new product. It talks about how the new product will have to be marketed to highlight its potential.

Q follows S. It talks about the corporations and how it is easier for them as they have an existing business.

P follows Q. Here the pronoun THEY refers to CORPORATIONS. It talks about how corporations use their existing business models and supply chain to their advantage.

T begins with the conjunction BUT, which is used to link contrasting statements. T ends the passage by talking about how the difficulty faced by entrepreneurs.

6. Answer: B)

7. Answer: D)

8. Answer: C)

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9. Answer: A)

10. Answer: E)

(11 – 15): Common Explanation:

F will be the first sentence in the arrangement as it introduces the subject of discussion which is the diversity of language in Switzerland (its citizens are called the Swiss). D then follows F and talks about the nation being divided into three major language groups. DCE is a pair; C is fixed at the third position so the only place for E is to follow C as it can't precede D as D is the sentence which introduced the content being discussed in C and E. E will be followed by BA which is a pair; B talks about all 'this diversity' (as depicted in D,C & E) being confusing and A follows it by mentioning that the geographical location of a city of Switzerland (Fribourg) further makes this diversity all the more challenging. **FDCEBA** is the correct arrangement of all the given sentences.

11. Answer: A)

12. Answer: A)

13. Answer: A)

14. Answer: E)

15. Answer: B)

(16 – 20): Common Explanation:

The correct order is CDAFE. 'CD' forms a pair as 'C' talks about the telecommunication cables and their uses. 'D' follows 'C' as 'that' in 'D' refers to the uses of fibre-optic cables as mentioned in the sentence 'C'. 'A' follows 'D' as it further talks about the uses of 'undersea fibre-optic telecommunications cables'. 'They' mentioned in 'A' refers to the 'cables'. 'A' is followed by 'F' as the word 'seismic signals' is introduced in part 'A' and they are discussed in detail in part 'F'. 'FE' is a pair as 'F' says 'how underwater seismic signals can provide a lot of information' and 'E' follows 'F' as it provides a contradictory argument that 'our capacity to measure these signals is very limited'. So, this led to the conclusion that 'C' is the introductory sentence. Moreover, 'C' is the only sentence which used a proper noun i.e. 'fibre-optic telecommunications cables'.

'B' is the odd one out as 'B' does not fit into the context. As the sentence talks about the 'fibres' and how different element shape them while the other sentences talk about the utility of 'fibre-optic telecommunications cables' and other related subjects.

16. Answer: B)

17. Answer: D)

18. Answer: D)

19. Answer: A)

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20. Answer: C)

21. Answer: D)

(d) is the right answer. ACBD is the correct sequence. A begins the sentence by introducing the subject: UNION MINISTRY'S PLANS. It refers to some plan of a ministry. C follows A. It contains the verb stem. It talks about the objective of the plan: EXTENSION of the National Health Mission. B follows C. It provides us with a timeline of the extension. It also states that the extension is a symbol of confusion. D ends the sentence by telling us that the National Health Mission is a part of India's healthcare policy.

22. Answer: E)

(e) is the right answer. The fragments are in the correct sequence. The sentence is meaningfully and contextually correct.

23. Answer: C)

(c) is the right answer. BADC is the right answer. B begins the sentence by introducing the subject: RBI notification. The sentence is discussing something that was mentioned in the notification. A follows B. It gives us information about the time when the notification was issued. It also states that as per the notification, the banks were allowed to do something. D takes the sentence forward. It tells us that the banks were allowed to charge customers for something. C ends the sentence by telling us that they were allowed to charge customers who make more than five transactions at ATMs in a month.

24. Answer: B)

(b) is the right answer. ABDC is the correct sequence. A begins the sentence with IF, which is used to introduce a conditional clause. The sentence talks about what needs to be done to avoid something. B and D form a pair. B talks about shelling out something, which basically implies spending carelessly. D talks about using CHARGEABLE BANK SERVICES. C ends the sentence by telling that we should use chargeable bank services only when it is absolutely necessary.

25. Answer: A)

(a) is the right answer. ABDC is the correct sequence. A and B form a pair. They both talk about a certain section of the society. A talks about those who are well educated and B talks about those who are rich. D takes the sentence forward as it consists of the verb stem. It ends with the possessive pronoun THEIR. C ends the sentence by telling us what these parents will get their children (A BIRTH CERTIFICATE).

26. Answer: B)

'D' starting with a comma and the phrase 'a technology hub' seems to provide more information about 'Hyderabad' of 'C'. 'B', starting with 'that is home...' is also providing information about 'Hyderabad' of 'C'. So, 'C' should come first. Also 'B' in itself is incomplete and should be followed by 'A' to give us sub-group 'BA'. Among 'D' and

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‘BA’, ‘D’ at the end of the sentence would make the sentence grammatically and contextually incorrect. So, ‘D’ should immediately follow ‘C’ and ‘BA’ should immediately follow ‘D’. Thus, the final arrangement is ‘CDBA’.

‘Nadella grew up in Hyderabad, a technology hub in India that is home to the biggest Microsoft research and development centre outside of the United States.’

Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.

27. Answer: D)

‘B’ provides the subject and verb for the sentence. So, ‘B’ should come first. Something is complicated by ‘the Dec. 6 attack’. ‘B’ should be followed by the ‘object’ for the sentence. Among ‘A’, ‘C’ and ‘D’, ‘C’ and ‘D’ start with a noun-phrase which can function as an ‘object’ for the verb. But ‘complicating U.S.-Saudi relations’ is more meaningful than ‘complicating the United States and Iran’. So, ‘A’ should follow ‘B’ to give us the sub-group ‘BA’. ‘A’ ends with the phrase ‘at a time’. The part which would follow ‘A’ would add meaning or provide information to the phrase ‘at a time’. The preposition phrase mentioned in ‘C’ ‘of heightened tensions’ adds information to the ‘time’. So, ‘C’ should follow ‘A’ to give us the sub-group ‘BAC’. ‘C’, in itself, is incomplete and should be followed by a noun phrase which is provided by ‘D’. Hence, the final arrangement is ‘BACD’.

‘The Dec. 6 attack further complicated U.S.-Saudi relations at a time of heightened tensions between the United States and Iran’.

Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

28. Answer: A)

‘B’ starts with a verb ‘said’ and ‘A’ starts with a conjunction ‘and’. So, ‘B’ and ‘A’ can’t come first. Both ‘D’ and ‘C’ start with a noun phrase. But, ‘Bong Joon-ho’ of ‘D’ is a human who can say something while ‘Oscar nominations’ are something which can be ‘won’. So, ‘D’ should come first, followed by ‘B’ to give us ‘DB’, and ‘C’ should follow ‘A’ to give us ‘CA’. Among ‘DB’ and ‘CA’, ‘DB’ should come first because it provides the ‘subject’ and ‘verb’ for the sentence. Thus, we get the final rearrangement as ‘DBAC’.

“‘Parasite’ director Bong Joon-ho said he was surprised and overjoyed when the film won six Oscar nominations on Monday’

Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.

29. Answer: E)

‘A’ starts with an adverb ‘mainly’, ‘B’ starts with a preposition ‘than’ and ‘C’ starts with a preposition ‘of’. Neither ‘A’, ‘B’ or ‘C’ would start the sentence. ‘D’ provides the subject ‘India’ and verb ‘is’ for the sentence. So, ‘D’ should come first. ‘D’ informs that ‘India is the world’s largest importer’ while ‘C’ starting with ‘of palm oil’ informs us about the good of which it is the largest importer. So, ‘C’ should follow ‘D’ to give us ‘DC’. Among ‘B’ and ‘A’, ‘B’ can’t be at the end as it would make the sentence contextually and grammatically incorrect. So, ‘B’ should follow ‘C’ and ‘A’ would follow ‘B’. Thus, the final rearrangement is ‘DCBA’.

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‘India is the world’s largest importer of palm oil, buying more than 9 million tonnes annually mainly from Indonesia and Malaysia’.

Hence, option (e) is the correct answer.

30. Answer: C)

‘A’ provides the subject and verb for the sentence. So, ‘A’ should come first. ‘B’ starting with a to-infinitive ‘to visit’ gels well with the verb part of ‘A’ than ‘C’ and ‘D’. So, ‘B’ should follow ‘A’ to give us ‘AB’. ‘AB’ tells that Jeff is expected to visit India but for what? ‘C’ gives an answer to the question. So, ‘C’ should follow ‘B’ to give us ‘ABC’. ‘D’ starting with a noun-phrase, provides an object to the preposition ‘with’ which is at the end of ‘C’. So, ‘D’ should follow ‘C’ to give us ‘ABCD’.

Thus, we get the final rearrangement as ‘ABCD’.

‘Amazon boss Jeff Bezos is expected to visit India for potential meetings with government officials this week.’

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.

31. Answer: B)

BADC is the final order. B begins the sentence by beginning with the word WHILE, used to show contrast. It tells us about what life in prison sounds like. AD follow as a pair by telling us what else it could be like - life as a deep-space explorer. C concludes by telling us more about this explorer - he would be hurtling to Mars or to a more distant world. Thus, (b) is the right answer.

32. Answer: D)

The sentence should be in the form of a question. D begins the sentence with the interrogative pronoun WHY that will introduce the question. It talks about the cause of boredom. B follows by telling us what might be boring - to be stuck in a departure lounge. CA follows as a pair and tells us why one would be stuck in a departure lounge - the delay of a flight. Hence, (d) is the correct answer.

33. Answer: C)

CADB is the final order. C begins the sentence as it informs us about a particular time. A follows C. It tells us about the subject. A tells us that the subject remembered two observations at that point in time. D ends with a colon, which suggests that something which follows the colon would list the observations about people that bugged the subject (me). B would end the sentence as it lists those two observations. Hence, (c) is the correct answer.

34. Answer: A)

DBAC is the final order. D begins the sentence by telling us that something has been shown. It names certain factors. B follows by continuing on those. AC follow as a pair, by telling us an additional factor, and tell us that all these factors have been unstudied. Hence, (a) is the correct answer.

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35. Answer: E)

ABCD is the final order. A begins the sentence by establishing the subject - people. It tells us how people who suffer from chronic boredom. B follows by telling us more about these people - they are at a higher risk of developing problems. CD follow as a pair, telling us the problems they are likely to face. Hence, (e) is the correct answer.

36. Answer: B)

CBAD is the final order. C begins the sentence by establishing the subject - AMERICAN LEADERS. B follows with the verb stem and tells us that these leaders have contributed profound thoughts. A follows by telling us how these thoughts are of great consequence. D follows by telling us that these thoughts are important for the public discourse. Thus, (b) is the right answer.

37. Answer: C)

BACD is the final order. B begins the sentence by establishing the subject - DAWKINS. A follows by telling us how Dawkins has made many television appearances on news shows. C tells us that he has presented his political opinions on these news shows. D concludes by telling us that he has also provided his views as an atheist. Thus, (c) is the right answer.

38. Answer: B)

C begins the sentence by establishing the subject - the underwater cleanup. B follows by telling us that it was the second combined effort of its kind. A follows by telling us that it was organised by the city administration. D concludes by telling us additional parties involved in its organisation - the local community and the private sector. Thus, (b) is the right answer.

39. Answer: A)

CBAD is the final order. C begins the sentence by establishing the subject - civil law jurisdictions. B follows with the verb stem and tells us that they do not hold court decisions as very important. AD follow as a pair by telling us that they to generate reported legal opinions. Thus, (a) is the right answer.

40. Answer: D)

BACD is the final order. B begins the sentence by establishing the subject - the World Bank. A follows by telling us the timeline of the report - February 2009. C follows by telling us that the Arab world was far less severely affected as per the report. D tells us what it was less affected by - the credit crunch. Thus, (d) is the right answer.

41. Answer: E)

The investigation in A talks about the study that has been mentioned in C. 'The startling fact' in F is what left the authority 'dumbfounded' (in A). D continues what is mentioned in F and E gives an example of what is contained in D. B is the last sentence and is a sort of summary of the contents of the passage. Hence, the correct order is C-A-F-D-E-B.

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42. Answer: C)

The phrase 'For far too long' in F is being used here to modify the starting sentence C. The conjunction 'Yet' in E is again used to modify F. A, through 'So have attempts' carries forward the argument in E. 'such' in D refers to the last attempt made among the series of attempts, as mentioned in A. B is the last sentence of the paragraph -- 'At that time' refers to 2012 (see D). Hence C-F-E-A-D-B is the correct order.

43. Answer: A)

E is the starting sentence. C follows E, as given. A is in the past perfect tense, which is carried forward from C. F again comes back to the simple past tense, and the 'But' links it to A by seeking to modify it. B continues from F by talking more about the shareholder-investors. D is the last sentence -- 'He' refers to Travis Kalanick. The correct order, therefore, is E-C-A-F-B-D. Hence, (a) is the right answer.

44. Answer: D)

C starts with the mention of economists, and the names of economist are mentioned in F. Hence F follows C. A seeks to carry forward the argument mentioned in F. The use of 'on the other hand' in E tries to provide a different point of C-F-A, hence E follows A. 'This', in B, refers to what the Mr. Sen believes, so B follows E. D is the last sentence of the paragraph. The correct order therefore is C-F-A-E-B-D.

45. Answer: D)

It is clear that Sentence A must begin the passage, it talks about the fact that there are specific rules to light a menorah, and the other sentences specify what these rules are. Options (a) and (b) are eliminated.

Sentences D and E are pairs: D tells us about the order of placing of the candles on the menorah, and E follows by referring to this order and telling us that this order is not followed while lighting it. Option (e) is eliminated.

Sentence B must precede C. B tells us about what a 'shamash' means. C follows by referring to it, and telling us how it is placed. Option (c) is eliminated. Option (d) is the right answer.

46. Answer: B)

Sentences C and A are pairs: C tells us about certain recommendations made by the Netherlands Nutrition Centre, and A tells us how these recommendations were decided upon. Thus, Options (a), (c) and (d) are eliminated.

Furthermore, Sentence B must come right before the pair CA. B talks about the main concern of the Netherlands Nutrition Centre, and C gives us the recommendations in that regard. Thus, Option (e) is eliminated, and Option (b) is the right answer.

47. Answer: B)

'Yet, it is an important advancement' in A presents a counter-argument to 'not a perfect system' in C. The 'But' in F is again presenting a different view to A. The 'That' in E is referring to 'effects of the GST' in F. B carries forward the idea in E, while the 'This' in D, is referring to the 'burden of the change...' -- D follows B. Hence, C-A-F-E-B-D.

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48. Answer: C)

B is the starting sentence of the paragraph. F follows B, because the 'this' in F refers to the imports mentioned in B. D continues with imports, but for the next year. 'These' in E refers to the gold imports of 2017 mentioned in D. A follows E. Hence, B-F-D-E-A-C.

49. Answer: B)

The sentence that will follow C is D -- 'this change' in D refers to that mentioned in C. B follows D, the keyword being 'also' here. F carries forward the idea in B, while the 'This was after..' in A refers to the meeting in F. E is the ultimate sentence. Hence, (b) is the right answer.

50. Answer: C)

The paragraph talks about Anti-Mexican sentiment which increased in the 1920s as a result of the Great Depression. The apt introduction to the paragraph is given by E. E is immediately followed by A which explains that the increasing unemployment during the Depression was a result of such hatred towards the Mexicans. Next comes D, which talks about the removal of Mexicans from the US. DF forms a pair as F talks about 'the removals' previously mentioned in D. Then, B immediately follows F as it talks about the 'removal' of 'disabled' Mexicans. The paragraph is concluded by C. Hence, the correct sequence is EADFBC.

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