

# CUET Question Paper - 2023

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Time Allowed : 45 Mins.

Maximum Marks : 200

### General Instructions:

1. The test is of 45 Minutes duration.
2. The test contains 50 questions out of which 40 question needs to be attempted.
3. Marking Scheme of the test:
  - a. Correct answer or the most appropriate answer: Five marks (+5).
  - b. Any incorrect option marked will be given minus one mark (-1).
  - c. Unanswered/Marked for Review will be given 100 marks (0).

1. Read the passage and answer the question that follows:

The phrase "team building exercises" may be new but the reality is not. Its origin goes back at least as far as the medieval tournaments. These provided knights with military training and the opportunity to make reputations. Individual jousting and hand-to-hand combat came first. Then there were team events. In these, a group of knights fought against another group. These teams often stayed together and fought side-by-side in real battle. Team games today, such as football, baseball, cricket and hockey, are the distant descendants of such medieval tournaments.

A crucial event in the movement from being a group to becoming a team can be the team building exercise. This can be based upon either (1) a substitute team task (for example, a business case study or a few days of outdoor activities) or (2) a real task (for example, going away for a weekend to plan company strategy).

There are pros and cons to both approaches. The advantage of a substitute task type of event is that success or failure is not of paramount importance. Nor are there any technological or professional challenges to meet, so that people can concentrate on the essential issue of learning as to how to work more effectively together as a team.

Choose the correct meaning of the word 'Crucial' from the options given :

- (1) decisive
- (2) essential
- (3) insignificant
- (4) immature

Ans. Option (1) is correct

**Explanation:** Decisive is a synonym for crucial. Determining or having the power to determine an outcome.

**Hint -** The article 'A' can only be followed by 'decisive' all other options will be preceded by 'An'

2. Choose the option that is the Antonym of the word 'Descendent':

- (1) grandchildren
- (2) heir
- (3) ancestor
- (4) children

Ans. Option (3) is correct

**Explanation:** Ancestor means 'from whom one has descended' the opposite being descendent meaning 'from a particular ancestor'

3. Match the task given in List - I with the appropriate example given in List - II

List - I		List - II	
(A)	substitute team task	(I)	eg. a few days of outdoor activities
(B)	knights did military trainings	(II)	eg. plan company strategy
(C)	team events of group of knights	(III)	eg. individual Jousting
(D)	real task	(IV)	eg. real battle

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A)-(I), (B)-(III), (C)-(IV), (D)-(II)
- (2) (A)-(I), (B)-(IV), (C)-(III), (D)-(II)
- (3) (A)-(I), (B)-(II), (C)-(III), (D)-(IV)
- (4) (A)-(IV), (B)-(III), (C)-(II), (D)-(I)

**Ans. Option (1) is correct**

**Explanation:** Individual jousting-refers to -A medieval sporting contest in which two opponents on horseback, typically knights, fight with lances:

4. According to the passage, the reality of 'team-building exercise' is that, it is:
- (1) advanced                      (2) new  
(3) ancient                        (4) modern

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** Team building activity is not new. It has its origins going back to the medieval tournaments; its an ancient technique

5. According to the passage, a group of knights fought against another group in:
- (A) cricket  
(B) hockey  
(C) baseball  
(D) real battle

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (C) Only                      (2) (D) Only  
(3) (A) Only                      (4) (B) Only

**Ans. Option (2) is correct**

**Explanation:** Team games today such as football,baseball,cricket and hockey are the distant descendants of such medieval tournaments .These teams stayed together and fought side by side in real battle.

6. Read the passage and answer the question that follows:

When things aren't going well, we tend to think we are lacking in something. But if we want to change our current situation, we should first part with something, before we look to acquire something else. This is a fundamental tenet of simple living.

Discard your attachments. Let go of your assumptions. Reduce your possessions. Living simply is also about discarding your physical and mental burdens.

It's amazing how refreshed we can feel after a good cry. Crying clears out whatever weight you were carrying in your heart. You feel energized to try again. I have always felt that the Buddhist concept of the 'enlightened mind' - the Japanese characters for which depict a "clean mind" - refers to this 'refreshment' of the spirit.

The act of discarding, of detaching from mental and physical burdens, from the baggage that weighs us down, is extremely difficult. Sometimes it can be accompanied by real pain, as when we part with someone who is dear to us.

But if you want to improve the way things are, if

you want to live with a light heart, you must start by discarding. The moment you detach, a new abundance will flow into your life.

What is the fundamental tenet of 'simple living'?

- (1) Realising that we are lacking in something.  
(2) Feeling energised everyday.  
(3) The act of letting go.  
(4) The act of attaining enlightenment.

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** The act of letting go refers to feeling light by having discarded our attachments, letting go of our assumptions, reducing possessions, discarding our physical and mental burdens. Living simply.

7. Which among the following give a similar context to the word "part" as used in the fourth paragraph of the passage?

- (1) She is an essential part of the school.  
(2) Difficulties are part and parcel of life.  
(3) I am going to take part in the competition.  
(4) We must part our ways from the evil.

**Ans. Option (4) is correct**

**Explanation:** 'Part' here refers to separation

8. Which among the following provide similar meaning to the word "discard" as used in paragraph 5 of the passage?

- (A) Detach  
(B) Let go  
(C) Derived  
(D) Disadvantage  
(E) Disadvantage

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A) and (B) only  
(2) (A) and (C) only  
(3) (C) and (D) only  
(4) (D) and (E) only

**Ans. Option (1) is correct**

**Explanation:** Discard here refers to detachment ,or getting rid of unnecessary things so that new abundance flows in life.

9. What can be the appropriate title for the passage?

- (1) Detachment - A key to simple living  
(2) Enlightenment  
(3) Burdens are a part of life  
(4) Japanese way to improve

**Ans. Option (1) is correct**

**Explanation:** Detachment a key to simple living is an appropriate title as it sums up the key points in the passage

- 10.** According to the passage, what are the qualities of 'a good cry'?
- (A) A good cry makes you feel light and energized.  
 (B) A good cry is a way of detaching and discarding the unpleasant.  
 (C) A good cry is a sign of weakness.  
 (D) A good cry makes you realise that crying is a waste of time.  
 (E) A good cry is an illusion in the path of attaining enlightenment.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A) and (B) Only  
 (2) (B) and (C) Only  
 (3) (C) and (D) Only  
 (4) (A) and (E) Only

**Ans. Option (1) is correct**

**Explanation:** Its amazing when an individual feels refreshed after a good cry therefore a good cry is necessary.

- 11.** The Autobiography of a Horse.

Now that I am getting old and stiff in the joints, I like to meditate, while grazing in the pasture, on my foal days. I think that was the happiest part of my life. I had no work to do, and could run about after my mother, who was a fine white Arab mare, without any restraint. Most of my time was spent in the fields, where I nibbled the tender grass and capered about, while my mother was steadily grazing.

But that could not last for ever. When I was old enough, the trainer came and, to my great indignation, fastened a long rope to my head, and then began driving me round and round in circles with his long whip. I was frightened and angry, but he went on till I was so tired that I could scarcely stand. However, my mother told me that it was no use of my resisting, and to make a long story short, I was at last thoroughly trained as a riding-horse.

I was bought by a young officer as a polo pony, and I soon got to love the game. He was a kind master, and a good rider; and in the end I would do anything for him, and was quite proud when his side won the game. But he got into debt, and had to sell me; and I was bought by a gentleman and a lady who kept a buggy, and was trained to run in shafts. I hated this work; and I am afraid I gave a lot of trouble, by going as slowly as I could. When my driver gave me the whip, I started shying at any object on the road. And then I found that jibbing was a very good trick, and whenever I was whipped, I simply backed. My owner got disgusted at last, and sold me to a gentleman who was fond of hunting.

I was delighted to get back to saddle-work; and thoroughly enjoyed my gallops with the hounds after the jackal in open country. But an accident

put a stop to that jolly life; for one day my master pressed me to a big jump which I knew I could not do. I did my best but fell short, and fell. My master was thrown away and he broke his arm, and I badly sprained one of my legs.

I was in a hospital for weeks, and then was sold to a gentleman who wanted a quiet riding-horse. He was a kind master, and used me well; and I was in his service for a good number of years. Now that I am old, he gives me very little work, and I spend most of my time grazing in the pasture, and leading a quiet, contented life.

The word "nibbled" as used in the passage means to \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) take huge bites of food  
 (2) take small bites of food  
 (3) gulp away quickly  
 (4) keep eating for a long duration of time

**Ans. Option (2) is correct**

**Explanation:** Gently bite at (a part of the body), especially amorously or nervously

- 12.** Arrange the steps taken by the trainer in the correct order :

- (A) Made him move in circles.  
 (B) Fastened him with a long rope.  
 (C) Got him tired to an extent that he couldn't stand.  
 (D) Made him angry and frightened.  
 (E) Made him take his mother's advice and not resist.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A), (B), (C), (D), (E)  
 (2) (D), (B), (A), (E), (C)  
 (3) (B), (C), (D), (A), (E)  
 (4) (B), (A), (D), (C), (E)

**Ans. Option (4) is correct**

**Explanation:** Captures the correct sequence of events as narrated in the passage.

- 13.** Find out a word from the passage which means "very happy":

- (1) steadily (2) tired  
 (3) disgusted (4) delighted

**Ans. Option (4) is correct**

**Explanation:** Delighted is a synonym for very happy in the given context.

- 14.** Being old, the horse -

- A. likes to meditate  
 B. enjoys being the polo horse  
 C. hunts with the hounds  
 D. is unsatisfied with his life  
 E. grazes in the pastures

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (B) and (C) Only      (2) (D) and (E) Only  
(3) (A) and (E) Only      (4) (A) and (D) Only

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** Likes to meditate and grazes in the pastures

**15.** Which trick, out of the options given below, was NOT a part of the horse's coping mechanism when he was whipped?

- (1) Jibbing                      (2) Galloping  
(3) Shying                      (4) Backing up

**Ans. Option (2) is correct**

**Explanation:** Galloping means to run very fast which does not fit as far as coping mechanism is concerned.

**16.** Choose the correct word/ expression from the options given, which means 'from the very beginning'

- (1) ad infinitum              (2) ab initio  
(3) a prior                      (4) ad hoc

**Ans. Option (2) is correct**

**Explanation:** 'ab initio' refers to from the very beginning

**17.** Choose the correct option to change the following sentence into Direct Speech.

The supervisor confirmed that the office memo was an original one.

- (1) The supervisor said, "the office memo is an original one."  
(2) The supervisor said, "the office order was an original one."  
(3) The supervisor said, "the office order has been an original one."  
(4) The supervisor said, "the office order is an original one."

**Ans. Option (1) is correct**

**Explanation:** We are talking about memo here, not about an office order.

**18.** Choose the correct Exclamatory form of the following Assertive sentence from the options given :

It is a lovely weather.

- (1) What a lovely weather it is !  
(2) Weather seems to be lovely !  
(3) How weather is lovely !  
(4) Good weather is lovely !

**Ans. Option (1) is correct**

**Explanation:** Exclamatory sentences typically start with the exclamatory pronoun What.

**19.** Complete the sentence with the most suitable Phrasal Verb:

"The management decided to \_\_\_\_\_ all upcoming meetings in the welfare of the employees."

- (1) Call up                      (2) Call on  
(3) Call off                      (4) Call in

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** call off is the correct response as this was the decision taken by the management

**20.** Choose the correct determiner to fill in the blank of the following sentence :

I have \_\_\_\_\_ trust worthy friends.

- (1) each                      (2) every  
(3) any                      (4) many

**Ans. Option (4) is correct**

**Explanation:** many here showcases that many ie 'alot of ' trust worthy friends are there

**21.** Choose the most suitable question tag for the following phrase.

"They will solve it'.

- (1) can't they ?  
(2) will they ?  
(3) can they ?  
(4) won't they ?

**Ans. Option (4) is correct**

**Explanation:** 'won't they' is a suitable response as we are asking about them (a number of people- plural) If the sentence is an affirmative sentence then the tag will be negative

**22.** Choose the correct pair of homonym to complete the following sentences :

Mosquitoes are the \_\_\_\_\_ of malaria.

Choose a \_\_\_\_\_ according to your qualification.

- (1) career, carier  
(2) cereer, career  
(3) carriers, career  
(4) cerrier, ceerier

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** 'Carrier' is something that acts as an agent to spread or carry something in this case we are talking about disease and career is what we decide to do in future

**23.** Choose the correct ANTONYM of the word 'Dwindle' from the options given :

- (1) Diminish                      (2) Shrink  
(3) Decrease                      (4) Increase

**Ans. Option (4) is correct**

**Explanation:** Dwindle means to decrease and the antonym for dwindle is to increase.

**24.** Choose the sentence in which the Adverb has been incorrectly used :

- (1) He usually visits his parents on Fridays.
- (2) Never I'll see her again.
- (3) Neither of us is going for the marriage.
- (4) The child cried loudly.

**Ans. Option (2) is correct**

**Explanation:** The second statement is wrong

**25.** Choose the options that contain the correct Synonym of the word "Utility"

- A. utility, usefulness
- B. efficacy, benefit
- C. utility, uselessness
- D. uselessness, efficacy
- E. of use, worth

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E)
- (2) (A), and (C) Only
- (3) (A), (B) and (E) Only
- (4) (B), (C) and (D) Only

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** Utility means usefulness, showing efficacy

**26.** Complete the sentence with the most suitable option :

She will choose nothing else for breakfast \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) except fruit salad
- (2) only fruit salad
- (3) than fruit salad
- (4) or fruit salad

**Ans. Option (1) is correct**

**Explanation:** except word is added in order to show that a particular thing would exist

**27.** Choose the correct Exclamatory form of the following Assertive sentence from the options given below :

Radhika is a very fine dancer.

- (1) How fine Radhika is a dancer !
- (2) What Radhika is a dancer !
- (3) What a fine dancer Radhika is !
- (4) Good Radhika is a dancer !

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** Correct exclamatory statement

**28.** Match the words in List - I with the ANTONYMS given in List - II

List - I Word		List - II Antonym	
(A)	evident	(I)	alien

(B)	compassion	(II)	obscure
(C)	lure	(III)	cruelty
(D)	native	(IV)	repel

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A)-(III), (B)-(IV), (C)-(I), (D)-(II)
- (2) (A)-(I)(B)-(II), (C)-(III), (D)-(IV)
- (3) (A)-(II), (B)-(III), (C)-(IV), (D)-(I)
- (4) (A)-(II), (B)-(IV), (C)-(III), (D)-(I)

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** Evident is an antonym of obscure, compassion is opposite of being cruel, lure is opposite to repel and native is an antonym of alien.

**29.** Arrange the following parts of a sentence into a meaningful sentence.

- A. who would have thought
- B. the Human Genome Project would complete its mapping of 99% of the human genome.
- C. discovered the double helix structure of DNA in 1953
- D. when James Watson and Francis Crick
- E. that 50 years later

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (1) (A), (C), (B), (D), (E)
- (2) (D) (C) (A) (E), (B)
- (3) (A), (B), (C), (D), (E)
- (4) (D), (C), (A), (B), (E)

**Ans. Option (2) is correct**

**Explanation:** Starting with the names and the time

**30.** Choose the sentence that is in "Active construction":

- (1) Why did Sheela jump over the wall ?
- (2) The mouse was first seen by Kaustav.
- (3) A new shopping complex was built.
- (4) Look! the page was torn by Sudip.

**Ans. Option (1) is correct**

**Explanation:** Interrogative sentence with an active construction

**31.** Fill in the blanks given in List - I with an appropriate article from List - II.

List - I		List - II	
(A)	What is _____ issue that you are facing with your neighbour ?	(I)	a
(B)	What _____ brilliant plan!	(II)	an
(C)	When do you prefer having _____ breakfast?	(II)	the

(D)	Where can one find such _____ innovative item ?	(IV)	zero article (no article)
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Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A)-(III), (B)-(I), (C)-(IV), (D)-(II)
- (2) (A)-(II), (B)-(I), (C)-(III), (D)-(IV)
- (3) (A)-(I), (B)-(II), (C)-(III), (D)-(IV)
- (4) (A)-(IV), (B)-(III), (C)-(III), (D)-(I)

**Ans. Option (1) is correct**

**Explanation:**

(A) - 'The' is correct because it is talking about a particular issue so 'the' (definite article will be used)

(B) - A-since it is an indefinite article.

(C) - No article is required in the statement.

(D) - An-before a vowel innovative.

- 32.** Change the underlined part of the '-ing clause' with 'adjective + to infinitive.'

Namita wasn't ashamed of committing the mistake.

- (1) Namita was not ashamed to make the mistake.
- (2) Namita had no shame to commit the mistake.
- (3) Namita wasn't ashamed to commit the mistake.
- (4) Namita wasn't ashamed that she had to commit the mistake.

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** The sentence will remain the same only 'ing clause' is ashamed of committing will be changed - Ashamed + to + (infinitive) commit

- 33.** Fill in the blanks given in **List - I** with an appropriate Modal given in **List - II**.

List - I		List - II	
(A)	_____ you close the window please ?	(I)	ought
(B)	I _____ to return home by now.	(II)	will
(C)	The news anchor has confirmed that today _____ be the coldest day in Delhi.	(III)	must
(D)	One _____ follow the law of the land.	(IV)	could

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A)-(I), (B)-(II), (C)-(III), (D)-(IV)
- (2) (A)-(IV), (B)-(I), (C)-(II), (D)-(III)
- (3) (A)-(I), (B)-(III), (C)-(II), (D)-(IV)
- (4) (A)-(IV), (B)-(III), (C)-(II), (D)-(I)

**Ans. Option (2) is correct**

**Explanation:**

(A) - could-asking with respect.

(B) - ought - when talking about things that are

desired.

(C) - will - used to make predictions.

(D) - must - used for something that needs to be done

- 34.** Choose the appropriate word to replace the underlined word for formal correspondence in the given sentence :

Kindly forward the emails quickly.

- A. Promptly
- B. Superfast
- C. Request
- D. Elapsed

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A) only
- (2) (D) only
- (3) (C) only
- (4) (B) only

**Ans. Option (1) is correct**

**Explanation:** promptly

- 35.** Choose the correct Idiom from the options given to complete the sentence :

The boy \_\_\_\_\_ to the pleadings of his well wishers.

- (1) turned a new leaf
- (2) cut loose
- (3) became black and blue
- (4) tuned a deaf ear

**Ans. Option (4) is correct**

**Explanation:** Turned deaf ear refers to not listening

- 36.** Identify the part of the sentence which has an error.

- (A) It is always
- (B) a good idea
- (C) to open the light
- (D) after sunset
- (E) No error

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A) Only
- (2) (B) Only
- (3) (C) Only
- (4) (E) Only

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** C part has error we never open the light we switch on the light

- 37.** Complete the sentence with the most suitable Phrasal Verb given :

My father had \_\_\_\_\_ a new hardware factory for my brother.

- (1) set off
- (2) set in
- (3) set up
- (4) set out

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** Set up is correct as one sets up the factory or unit

- 38.** Choose the correct preposition from the options given to complete the following sentence.

My niece is doing a Master's degree \_\_\_\_\_ Mumbai.

- (1) around (2) at  
(3) on (4) in

**Ans. Option (4) is correct**

**Explanation:** 'In' would placed because we are talking about a place

- 39.** Rearrange the following parts of a sentence labelled as PQRS to make a meaningful sentence.

P - proud of my new

Q - after them very well

R - family and looked

S - I was very

- (1) PRSQ (2) PQRS  
(3) SPRQ (4) SRQP

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** SPRQ is correct

- 40.** Choose the correct Indirect form of the following sentence from the given options :

She said, "How can I do such a work !"

- (1) She asked that how she can do such a work.  
(2) She said that she can do such a work.  
(3) She wondered how she could do such a work.  
(4) She wondered if how she could do such a work.

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** Wherein we see how she wondered how could she do such a work

- 41.** Choose the correct option that best expresses the meaning of the Latin phrase, "ALTER EGO".

- (1) Egoistic person (2) Altering ego  
(3) Other self (4) Selfis

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** other self can be referred to as alter ego

- 42.** Identify the part of the sentence which has an error:

- (A) Shy people find it  
(B) Difficult to begin a conversation  
(C) With complete strangers.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A) (2) (B)  
(3) (C) (4) No error

**Ans. Option (4) is correct**

**Explanation:** All the statements are placed in a

correct order

- 43.** Which of the following 'Cs' are characteristics of a formal letter.

- (A) Courteous  
(B) Complaining  
(C) Concise  
(D) Confidential  
(E) Cognizant

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E)  
(2) (B) and (C) Only  
(3) (A) and (C) Only  
(4) (B) and (D) Only

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

**Explanation:** Courteous and concise are correct

- 44.** Choose the option that has a grammatically incorrect part of the sentence. If there is no error then choose the option 'No error'.

- (A) I cannot have  
(B) this soup  
(C) as there is  
(D) too many salt  
(E) No error

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (E) Only (2) (D) Only  
(3) (A) Only (4) (C) Only

**Ans. Option (2) is correct**

**Explanation:** Too many salt is wrong

- 45.** Match the Idioms given in List - I with the correct meanings given in List - II

List - I		List - II	
(A)	Blood, sweat and tears	(I)	In simple terms
(B)	To bell the cat	(II)	To undertake difficult mission at great personal risk
(C)	Below the belt	(III)	Gruelling hard work
(D)	In black and white	(IV)	Unfairly

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A)-(III), (B)-(II), (C)-(IV), (D)-(I)  
(2) (A)-(I), (B)-(II), (C)-(III), (D)-(IV)  
(3) (A)-(IV), (B)-(III), (C)-(I), (D)-(III)  
(4) (A)-(IV), (B)-(II), (C)-(III), (D)-(I)

**Ans. Option (1) is correct**

**Explanation:**

- (A) - Blood, sweat and tears means it is a very hard thing to do and requires a lot of efforts.  
(B) - To bell the cat - to be brave enough to do

something that will be good for a group that you are part of, but is dangerous or difficult.  
 (C) - below the belt means not fair; marked by injustice or partiality or deception.  
 (D) - In black and white means a situation in which it is easy to understand what is right and wrong

**46.** Rearrange the following phrases to get a meaningful sentence :

of most / now a days / the attitude / parents is / different

- (1) Now a day parents is different the attitude of most
- (2) Now a days the attitude of most parents is different?
- (3) The attitude is different of most parents now a days
- (4) The most parents the attitude is different now a days

**Ans. Option (2) is correct**

*Explanation:* We start by stating the time period

**47.** Choose the correct passive form of the following sentence from the given options.

Please come soon.

- (1) You are to come soon.
- (2) Come soon, please.
- (3) You are requested to come soon.
- (4) You request me to come.

**Ans. Option (3) is correct**

*Explanation:* passive form

**48.** Match the words in List - I with the Synonyms given in List - II.

**List - I**

- (A) authentic
- (B) contrary
- (C) adjacent
- (D) brittle

**List - II**

- (I) adjoining
- (II) genuine
- (III) fragile
- (IV) dissimilar

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A)-(II), (B)-(III), (C)-(I), (D)-(IV)
- (2) (A)-(II), (B)-(IV), (C)-(I), (D)-(III)
- (3) (A)-(III), (B)-(IV), (C)-(I), (D)-(II)
- (4) (A)-(I), (B)-(II), (C)-(III), (D)-(IV)

**Ans. Option (2) is correct**

*Explanation:* Words that have same or similar meanings

**49.** Choose the suitable Modal to complete the following sentence :

\_\_\_\_\_ I eat some chocolates ?

- (1) Ought to
- (2) Can
- (3) Might
- (4) Would

**Ans. Option (2) is correct**

*Explanation:* 'can' is used to politely ask  
 50. Choose the correct preposition to fill in the blank :

The Rajdhani Express is due to arrive \_\_\_\_\_ platform No. 3.

- (1) in
- (2) on
- (3) into
- (4) at

**Ans. Option (4) is correct**

*Explanation:* 'at' is a preposition that is used for time and place



# CUET Question Paper 2022

NATIONAL TESTING AGENCY

19<sup>th</sup> July 2022—Slot-1

English

*[This Includes Questions Pertaining to Language only]*

**SOLVED**

Time Allowed: 45 Mins.

Maximum Marks: 200

**General Instructions:**

1. The test is of 45 minute duration.
2. The test contains 50 Questions out of which 40 questions need to be attempted.
3. Marking Scheme of the test:
  - a. Correct answer or the most appropriate answer: Five marks (+5)
  - b. Any incorrect option marked will be given minus one mark (-1).
  - c. Unanswered/Marked for Review will be given no mark (0).

Choose the correct answer:

**Passage:**

Read the given passage and answer the questions.

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1. What is released when plastics are burnt ?
  - (A) power and proteins
  - (B) toxic chemicals
  - (C) fruits
  - (D) vegetables

Sol. Option (B) is the correct answer.

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2. What is PVC ?
  - (A) Polynominals
  - (B) Polyvinyl chloride
  - (C) Polyamine chloride
  - (D) Poly electricity

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3. The full form of USEPA is \_\_\_\_\_.
- United States Protection Ace
  - United States Environment Agency
  - United States Environment Protection Agency
  - United States Environment Protect Age

**Sol. Option (C) is the correct answer.**

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4. The risk of getting cancer from Dioxin is:
- four times higher
  - ten times higher
  - ten times less
  - twenty times less

**Sol. Option (B) is the correct answer.**

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5. Technologies like gasification are a form of
- Curating artifacts
  - Organic farming
  - Incineration
  - Deforestation

**Sol. Option (C) is the correct answer.**

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**6. Match List - I with List - II**

List - I	List - II
A. PVC is used for packaging	(I) Toys and coating electrical wire
B. United states environment protection	(II) Brought out an assessment report agency
C. Australian assistance	(III) 200 crore
D. Waste-to-energy project set-up failed	(IV) at Timarpur

Choose the correct answer from the options given below

- (A) (A) - (IV), (B) - (III), (C) - (II), (D) - (I)  
 (B) (A) - (I), (B) - (IV), (C) - (II), (D) - (III)  
 (C) (A) - (I), (B) - (II), (C) - (III), (D) - (IV)  
 (D) (A) - (III), (B) - (IV), (C) - (I), (D) - (II)

**Sol. Option (C) is the correct answer.**

**Passage:**

Read the given passage and answer the questions.

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I am familiar with the superstition that self-realization is possible only in the fourth stage of life, i.e., sannyasa (renunciation). But it is matter of common knowledge that those who defer preparation for this invaluable experience until the last stage of life attain not self-realization but old age amounting to a second and pitiable childhood, living as a burden on this earth. I have a full recollection that I held these views even whilst I was teaching though I might not then have expressed them in identical language. The passage discusses

- (A) how to attain brain power  
 (B) spiritual training of boys  
 (C) Spiritual training of robots  
 (D) How to develop language skills

**Sol. Option (B) is the correct answer.**

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8. A suitable title for the passage could be :
- Spiritual Training of Developing countries
  - Self realisation and Moksha
  - Importance of Spiritual Training
  - Life and character of a Film maker

Sol. Option (C) is the correct answer.

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9. Training of the spirit means :
- To build character and to enable one to work towards a knowledge of God and self-realization.
  - Being acquainted with the latest version of T-20 cricket
  - Memorising and reciting hymns
  - Studying only the religious books

Sol. Option (A) is the correct answer.

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10. Self - realisation is possible
- at the fourth stage of life
  - while preparing the youth
  - After retirement only
  - At old age

Sol. Option (A) is the correct answer.

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**11.** According to the author, which one of the following statements is true ?

- (A) Spiritual training is as difficult as physical and mental training
- (B) Mental and physical training is easier than the spiritual training
- (C) Mental and physical trainings are as equally difficult as the spiritual training
- (D) Spiritual training has no wisdom as does the mental and physical training

**Sol. Option (B) is the correct answer.**

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**12.** Match List - I with List - II.

List - I	List - II
Spiritual Training	(I) was much more difficult than physical training
The narrator relied on religious books	(II) for the training of the spirit

Youngsters were educated at	(III) Tolstoy Farm
To develop the spirit was	(IV) to develop and build character

Choose the correct answer from the options given below

- (A) (A) - (I), (B) - (II), (C) - (III), (D) - (IV)
- (B) (A) - (II), (B) - (IV), (C) - (I), (D) - (III)
- (C) (A) - (IV), (B) - (I), (C) - (II), (D) (III)
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**Sol. Option (A) is the correct answer.**

### Passage:

Read the given passage and answer the question that follow :

Everyone's first job is special. There are a couple of reasons for this: experience is burned in one's memory, it gives you the practice needed to fulfil other positions, and it teaches you about the value of money. Of course we do jobs around the house when we are young, like cleaning dishes, vacuuming, and doing laundry, but working for others for money gives off a different feeling.

When I was about sixteen years old, I wanted to buy albums of my favourite bands, but I did not have any money. My parents were not the type of people to give money to me out of nowhere, or even for work done at home. I had to find work in order to purchase the music I wanted.

So, I enquired as to who could give me work around town. I lived in the town of Wood Way, which was relatively small, with no street lights, and hardly any population. I went to the oldest person I knew in my neighbourhood, Mrs. Hudson. She was over eighty years old, and could not tend her garden anymore. She had flowers, a grass lawn, and some tomato plants. I knocked on her door, building up enough courage to ask her for work. She answered that indeed she needed help in her garden. She did not discuss the amount of money, I would get for the work.

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**13.** In the sentence it gives you the practice needed' the word 'practice most closely means :

- (A) training
- (B) an outing
- (C) confidence
- (D) freedom

**Sol. Option (A) is the correct answer.**

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**14.** The narrator was unable to buy albums at 16 years of age because :

- (A) He was not permitted to buy anything
- (B) he did not find the ones that he wanted
- (C) he could not afford to buy it
- (D) the albums of his favourite bands were sold out.

**Sol. Option (C) is the correct answer.**

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**15.** The narrator had to look for \_\_\_\_\_ to purchase the music album he/she wanted.

- (A) paid work
- (B) un-rewarded work
- (C) weekend work
- (D) voluntary work

**Sol. Option (A) is the correct answer.**

**Passage:**

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