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Direction (1-5): In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. First read the passage over and try to understand what it is about. Then fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given.

Broadly speaking, education aims to _____ two objectives – first, to train the student in such a way as to make his life happy and _____, and secondly to provide him with _____ of various kinds. The knowledge imparted by education embodies the immense _____ acquired by the human race through ages. This knowledge, again, can be classified under two heads-one, relating to the _____ or reasoning, the other relating to the sphere of feeling.

Q1. Broadly speaking, education aims to _____ two objectives

- (a) achieve
- (b) determine
- (c) regress
- (d) mark

Q2. Such a way as to make his life happy and _____,

- (a) challenging
- (b) interesting
- (c) meaningful
- (d) boring

Q3. And secondly to provide him with _____ of various kinds.

- (a) resources

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(b) power

(c) knowledge

(d) money

Q4. Education embodies the immense _____ acquired by the

(a) caliber

(b) happiness

(c) growth

(d) experience

Q5. Classified under two heads-one, relating to the _____ or reasoning, the other

(a) emotions

(b) intellect

(c) senses

(d) strength

Direction (6-10): In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. First read the passage over and try to understand what it is about. Then fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given.

Equally disappointing is the court's _____, one-paragraph dismissal of the claim that criminal _____ creates a chilling effect

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upon speech. Such proclamations are easy _____ from the high, secure, and insulated bench of the Supreme Court. It is journalists and newspapers, fighting hundreds of _____ cases in court, _____ have to deal with the very real consequences.

Q6. Equally disappointing is the court's _____,

- (a) cursory
- (b) shortened
- (c) tiny
- (d) slight

Q7. criminal _____ creates a chilling effect upon speech

- (a) defamating
- (b) defamation
- (c) defamate
- (d) defamations

Q8. Such proclamations are easy _____ from the high

- (a) in making
- (b) made
- (c) for making

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(d) to make

Q9. It is journalists and newspapers, fighting hundreds of _____ cases in court

(a) imaginary

(b) frivolous

(c) unintelligible

(d) ordinary

Q10. _____ have to deal with the very real consequences.

(a) whom

(b) which

(c) who

(d) those

Solutions

S1. Ans.(a)

Sol. Achieve: successfully bring about or reach (a desired objective or result) by effort, skill, or courage.

S2. Ans.(c)

Sol. Meaningful: serious, important, or worthwhile and hence fits in the context.

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S3. Ans.(c)

Sol. The subsequent part of the passage makes the usage of 'Knowledge' meaningful.

S4. Ans.(d)

S5. Ans.(b)

S6. Ans.(a)

Sol. Cursory: hasty and therefore not thorough or detailed.

Option A is the correct choice.

S7. Ans.(b)

Sol. Here usage of a noun is apt. Hence 'defamation' is the correct choice which stands for the action of damaging the good reputation of someone; slander or libel. Moreover, singular verb 'creates' after the 'blank' denotes the usage of a singular noun 'defamation' before it not plural noun 'defamations'.

S8. Ans.(d)

Sol. Option D is an apt choice.

S9. Ans.(b)

Sol. Frivolous: not having any serious purpose or value.

Hence option B fits in the context.

S10. Ans.(c)

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Sol. Here, 'who' is the correct relative pronoun to use as it is being used as the subject of the verb 'deal'. Hence option C is an apt choice.

Direction: (1-5): In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives.

Summit clashes of global sporting tournaments can often be underwhelming. One team _____ in the occasion, the other wilts, and a lopsided climax occurs. But Sunday's ICC World Cup final involving England and New Zealand at Lords wasn't cut from the same _____. Never has a cricket match invested with such magnitude concluded in a tie. The same finish line was again replicated after the super over was taken to break the _____. The rivals scored 241 apiece in their respective innings and drew level at 15 in the super over. Ideally both units _____ shared the trophy but the quest for a singular winner and a tournament law that mentioned cumulative boundaries as the ultimate deal-breaker, helped England _____ New Zealand.

Q1. One team _____ in the occasion, the other wilts, and a lopsided climax occurs.

- (a) rebels
- (b) revels
- (c) recurs
- (d) remiss

S1. Ans.(b)

Sol. Revel: to dance, drink, sing, etc. at a party or in public, especially in a noisy way.

Remiss: lacking care or attention to duty; negligent.

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Q2. But Sunday's ICC World Cup final involving England and New Zealand at Lords wasn't cut from the same _____.

- (a) rope
- (b) wood
- (c) cloth
- (d) nob

S2. Ans.(c)

Sol. Cut from the same cloth: very similar in characteristics or behaviors.

Q3. The same finish line was again replicated after the super over was taken to break the_____.

- (a) lock
- (b) resurgence
- (c) stalemate
- (d) settlement

S3. Ans.(c)

Sol. Stalemate: a position counting as a draw.

Resurgence: an increase or revival after a period of little activity, popularity, or occurrence.

Q4. Ideally both units _____ shared the trophy but the quest for a singular winner and a tournament law

- (a) have
- (b) would have
- (c) have had
- (d) should have

S4. Ans.(d)

Q5. Cumulative boundaries as the ultimate deal-breaker, helped England _____ New Zealand.

- (a) rip
- (b) kip
- (c) pip

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(d) tip

S5. Ans.(c)

Sol. Pip: to beat someone either by a very small amount or right at the end of a competition.

Kip: to sleep, especially in a place that is not your home.

Direction: (6-10): In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives.

Recovering materials from garbage should be a high _____, considering that India is the third highest consumer of materials after China and the U.S.; the Economic Survey 2019 estimates that India's demand for total material will double by 2030 at current rates of growth. Plastics may be less expensive than other _____ in manufacturing, but recycling them into new products extends their life and provides a _____ for virgin material. Keeping them out of the environment reduces clean-up and pollution costs. Unfortunately, in spite of legal requirements, municipal and pollution control _____ fail to see this and mostly _____ business-as-usual waste management methods.

Q6. Recovering materials from garbage should be a high _____, considering that India is the third highest consumer of materials

- (a) rivalry
- (b) priority
- (c) graffiti
- (d) property

S6. Ans.(b)

Sol. Priority: the fact or condition of being regarded or treated as more important than others.

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Graffiti: writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place.

Q7. Plastics may be less expensive than other_____ in manufacturing, but recycling them into

- (a) people
- (b) cosmetics
- (c) inputs
- (d) hawkers

S7. Ans.(c)

Q8. New products extends their life and provides a_____ for virgin material.

- (a) altitude
- (b) substitute
- (c) turpitude
- (d) latitude

S8. Ans.(b)

Q9. In spite of legal requirements, municipal and pollution control _____ fail to see this

- (a) authorities
- (b) brands
- (c) guard
- (d) advertisements

S9. Ans.(a)

Q10. Mostly _____ business-as-usual waste management methods.

- (a) pour
- (b) pursue
- (c) poach
- (d) purview

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S10. Ans.(b)

Sol. Pursue: continue or proceed along (a path or route).

Purview: the scope of the influence or concerns of something.



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