

ENGLISH QUIZ

Directions (1-5): Rearrange the following five sentences (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) in the proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph and then answer the questions given below.

(A) Who can trace to its first beginnings the love of Damon for Pythias, of David for Jonathan, of Swan for Edgar?

(B) Similarly with men.

(C) There is about great friendships between man and man a certain inevitability that can only be compared with the age-old association of ham and eggs.

(D) One simply feels that it is one of the things that must be so.

(E) No one can say what was the mutual magnetism that brought the deathless partnership of these wholesome and palatable foodstuffs about.

Q1. Which of the following will be the SECOND sentence after rearrangement?

(a) A

(b) B

(c) C

(d) D

(e) E

Q2. Which of the following will be the FIFTH sentence after rearrangement?

(a) A

(b) B

(c) C

(d) D

(e) E

Q3. Which of the following will be the FIRST sentence after rearrangement?

(a) A

(b) B

(c) C

(d) D

(e) E

Q4. Which of the following will be the FOURTH sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) E

Q5. Which of the following will be the THIRD sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C
- (d) D
- (e) E

Directions (6-10): There are two gaps in each of the following sentences. From the pairs of words given, choose the one that fills the gaps most appropriately. The first word in the pair should fill the first gap.

Q6. The best punctuation is that of which the reader is least conscious; for when punctuation, or lack of it, _____ itself, it is usually because it _____.

- (a) obtrudes...offends
- (b) enjoins...fails
- (c) conceals...recedes
- (d) effaces...counts
- (e) revealed...succeeds

Q7. The argument that the need for a looser fiscal policy to _____ demand outweighs the need to _____ budget deficits is persuasive.

- (a) assess...minimize
- (b) outstrip...eliminate
- (c) stimulate...control
- (d) restrain...conceal

(e) confine...regulate

Q8. The Athenians on the whole were peaceful and prosperous; they had _____ to sit at home and think about the universe and dispute with Socrates, or to travel abroad and _____ the world.

(a) leisure...explore

(b) time...ignore

(c) ability...suffer

(d) temerity...understand

(e) pleasure...conclude

Q9. Their achievement in the field of literature is described as _____; sometimes it is even called _____.

(a) magnificent...irresponsible

(b) insignificant...influential

(c) significant...paltry

(d) unimportant...trivial

(e) splendid...petty

Q10. From the time she had put her hair up, every man she had met had groveled before her and she had acquired a mental attitude toward the other sex which was a blend of _____ and _____.

- (a) admiration...tolerance
- (b) indifference...contempt
- (c) impertinence...temperance
- (d) arrogance...fidelity
- (e) stubbornness...spirituality

Directions (11-15): Choose the word which is not an antonym for the given word.

Q11. AMELIORATE

- (a) aggravate
- (b) intensify
- (c) mitigate
- (d) worsen
- (e) hurt

Q12. THROTTLE

- (a) encourage
- (b) free
- (c) help
- (d) release
- (e) strangulate

Q13. RAMSHACKLE

- (a) dilapidated
- (b) solid
- (c) sturdy
- (d) repaired
- (e) good

Q14. INTERNMENT

- (a) confinement
- (b) slavery
- (c) liberty
- (d) freedom

(e) liberation

Q15. ITINERARY

(a) follower

(b) disagree

(c) journey

(d) inactivity

(e) crooked

ANSWERS

1. E

2. A

3. C

4. B

5. D

6. A

7. C

8. A

9. D

10. B

11. C

12. A

13. B

14. C

