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(1) Arrange the words given below in a meaningful sequence.

1. Doctor 2. Fever 3. Prescribe 4. Diagnose 5. Medicine

[A] 1, 4, 3, 2, 5

[B] 2, 1, 3, 4, 5

[C] 2, 1, 4, 3, 5

[D] 2, 4, 3, 5, 1

Answer : [C]

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(2) Arrange the words given below in a meaningful sequence.

1. Yarn 2. Plant 3. Saree 4. Cotton 5. Cloth

[A] 2, 4, 1, 5, 3

[B] 2, 4, 3, 5, 1

[C] 2, 4, 5, 1, 3

[D] 2, 4, 5, 3, 1

Answer : [A]

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(3) Arrange the words given below in a meaningful sequence.

1. Puberty 2. Adulthood 3. Childhood
4. Infancy 5. Senescence 6. Adolescence

[A] 2, 4, 6, 3, 1, 5

[B] 4, 3, 1, 6, 2, 5

[C] 4, 3, 6, 2, 1, 5

[D] 5, 6, 2, 3, 4, 1

Answer : [B]

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(4) Statements:

I. The staff of Airport Authorities called off the strike they were observing in protest against privatization.

II. The staff of Airport Authorities went on strike anticipating a threat to their jobs.

[A] Statement I is the cause and statement II is its effect.

[B] Statement II is the cause and statement I is its effect.

[C] Both the statements I and II are independent causes.

[D] Both the statements I and II are effects of independent causes.

[E] Both the statements I and II are effects of some common cause.

Answer : [D]

Explanation: Both the statements I and II are effects of independent causes.

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(5) Statements:

I. Large number of Primary Schools in the rural areas is run by only one teacher.

II. There has been a huge dropout from the primary schools in rural areas.

[A] Statement I is the cause and statement II is its effect.

[B] Statement II is the cause and statement I is its effect.

- [C] Both the statements I and II are independent causes.
[D] Both the statements I and II are effects of independent causes.
[E] Both the statements I and II are effects of some common cause.

Answer : [A]

Explanation: Since large numbers of primary schools in the rural areas are run by only one teacher so there has been a huge dropout from the Primary Schools in rural areas.

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(6) Statements:

- I. The Government has reduced the prices of petroleum products by five percent a week after increasing the prices by ten percent.**
II. The rate of inflation dropped marginally during the last week.

- [A] Statement I is the cause and statement II is its effect.
[B] Statement II is the cause and statement I is its effect.
[C] Both the statements I and II are independent causes.
[D] Both the statements I and II are effects of independent causes.
[E] Both the statements I and II are effects of some common cause.

Answer : [D]

Explanation: Both the statements I and II are effects of independent causes.

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(7) Statements:

- I. The committee appointed by the Government on the fee structure of the professional courses has drastically reduced the fees of various courses in comparison to those charged in the last year.**
II. The parents of aspiring students seeking admission to professional courses had launched a severe agitation protesting against the high fees charged by the professional institutes and the admission process was delayed considerably.

- [A] Statement I is the cause and statement II is its effect.
[B] Statement II is the cause and statement I is its effect.
[C] Both the statements I and II are independent causes.
[D] Both the statements I and II are effects of independent causes.
[E] Both the statements I and II are effects of some common cause.

Answer : [B]

Explanation:

Since the parents of aspiring students seeking admission to professional courses had launched a severe agitation protesting against the high fees charged by the professional institutes.

So, the committee was appointed by the Government on the fee structure of professional courses has drastically reduced the fees of previous course.

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(8) My ten years old niece is taller than my twelve years old son:

- [A] Always
[B] Never
[C] Often
[D] Sometimes

Answer : [D]

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(9) What is found necessarily in a race?

- [A] Judge
- [B] Spectators
- [C] Competitor
- [D] Prize

Answer : [C]

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(10) Which one of the following is always in 'Sentiment'?

- [A] Cruelty
- [B] Insight
- [C] Neutrality
- [D] Emotion

Answer : [D]

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(11) If A + B means A is the brother of B; A - B means A is the sister of B and A x B means A is the father of B. Which of the following means that C is the son of M?

- [A] $M - N \times C + F$
- [B] $F - C + N \times M$
- [C] $N + M - F \times C$
- [D] $M \times N - C + F$

Answer : [D]

Explanation:

$M \times N \rightarrow M$ is the father of N

$N - C \rightarrow N$ is the sister of C

and $C + F \rightarrow C$ is the brother of F.

Hence, M is the father of C or C is the son of M.

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(12) Pointing to a photograph Lata says, "He is the son of the only son of my grandfather." How is the man in the photograph related to Lata?

- [A] Brother
- [B] Uncle
- [C] Cousin
- [D] Data is inadequate

Answer : [A]

Explanation: The man in the photograph is the son of the only son of Lata's grandfather i.e., the man is the son of Lata's father. Hence, the man is the brother of Lata.

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(13) Pointing to a boy in the photograph Reena said, "He is the only son of the only child of my grandfather." How Reena is related to that boy?

- [A] Mother
- [B] Sister
- [C] Aunt
- [D] Cannot be determined

Answer : [B]

Explanation:

The boy in the photograph is the only son of Reena's grandfather's only son; i.e., the boy is the only son of Reena's father. Hence, the boy is the brother of Reena or Reena is the sister of the boy.

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(14) If M x N means M is the daughter of N; M + N means M is the father of N; M % N means M is the mother of N and M - N means M is the brother of N then P % Q + R - T x K indicates which relation of P to K?

- [A] Daughter-in-law
- [B] Sister-in-law
- [C] Aunt
- [D] None of these

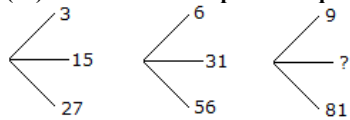
Answer : [D]

Explanation:

$P \% Q \rightarrow P$ is the mother of Q
 $Q + R \rightarrow Q$ is the father of R
 $R - T \rightarrow R$ is the brother of T
 Hence, $\rightarrow Q$ is the father of T
 $T x K \rightarrow T$ is the daughter of K
 Hence, $\rightarrow Q$ is the husband of K .
 Therefore, P is the mother-in-law of K .

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(15) Which one will replace the question mark ?



- [A] 45
- [B] 41
- [C] 32
- [D] 40

Answer : [A]

Explanation:

$(15 \times 2 - 3) = 27$,
 $(31 \times 2 - 6) = 56$
 and $(45 \times 2 - 9) = 81$

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(16) Which one will replace the question mark ?

5			
32	?	44	7
6			

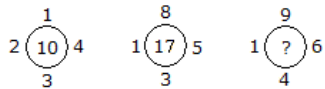
- [A] 33
- [B] 38
- [C] 32
- [D] 37

Answer : [D]

Explanation:

$(5 \times 6) + 2 = 32$
 $(7 \times 6) + 2 = 44$
 $(7 \times 5) + 2 = 37$.

(17) Which one will replace the question mark ?



- [A] 18
- [B] 20
- [C] 21
- [D] 19

Answer : [B]

Explanation:

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 = 10$$

$$\text{and } 1 + 3 + 5 + 8 = 17$$

$$\text{Similarly, } 1 + 4 + 6 + 9 = 20.$$

(18) Choose the word which is different from the rest.

- [A] Kiwi
- [B] Eagle
- [C] Emu
- [D] Ostrich

Answer : [B]

Explanation:

All except Eagle are flightless birds.

(19) Choose the odd one out.

- [A] DFBG
- [B] IKGM
- [C] SUQV
- [D] MOKP
- [E] VXTY

Answer : [B]

Explanation:

In all other groups, the second and fourth letters are consecutive and there is a gap of one letter between third and first.

(20) Choose the odd one out.

- [A] CegI
- [B] FhjL
- [C] PrtV
- [D] KnpR
- [E] UwyA

Answer : [D]

Explanation:

In all other groups, the letters are alternate and the middle two are small letters.
