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Learn to Solve Analogy for SLAT

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This Refresher on Analogy for SLAT will give you a basic idea about how to solve the question on Analogy accurately and quickly. The analogy is a topic of reasoning for SLAT and needs a lot of presence of mind to be solved effectively. It basically tests the thinking ability of the candidate and the extent to which he can draw relationships between things or subjects.

The best way to learn to solve analogy for SLAT is by understanding the relationship between the given terms and then choosing the option that is related to the term in question in the same way. Another thing that the analogy question aims at testing is the vocabulary of the candidate.

Questions will often involve terms that are related to each other by the way of being synonym or antonym and it is important for you to know the meaning of those words. Without understanding what the word means, it is impossible to derive the relationship between the words given and consequently impossible to draw an analogy.

As we all would agree, a good vocabulary is not a result of one day of dictionary reading, rather it evolves consistently with the improved reading habit.

Illustration

A few illustrations of recognized relations that will help you learn to solve the analogy for SLAT are given below but remember that the list is not exhaustive and the application of mind is necessary in each case to solve the questions more effectively and quickly.

1. Antonyms: In some questions, a pair of words will be given that is an antonym of each other and a third word will be given. You have to draw the analogy and choose the correct option i.e. the antonym of the third word.

Illustration –

Difficult: Easy:: Wrong: ?

- Right
- Bright

- Reasonable
- Must

Here the correct option is (a) because right is the antonym of wrong

1. Synonym: In some questions, a pair of words will be given that is synonymous with each other and a third word will be given. You have to draw the analogy and choose the correct option i.e. the synonym of the third word.

Illustration-

Wet: damp:: Yellow:?

- Maroon
- Olive
- Mustard
- Grey

Here the correct option is (c) because even though mustard it is not the exact synonym but it is closest to it among the options.

1. Descriptive: In some questions, a pair of words will be given and one will be describing the other and a third word will be given. You have to draw the analogy and choose the correct option i.e. the description of the third word or something that the third word is describing.

Illustration –

Mud: Brown:: Rainbow: ?

- Orange
- Yellow
- Sky
- VIBGYOR

The correct option is (d) as it describes the color of the rainbow.

1. Part to Whole: In this, one word is a part of the other.

Illustration:

School: Principal:: Country: ?

- Prime Minister
- Parliament
- IAS officer
- Home Minister

The correct option is (a).

Illustration for other probable relations between the words

1. Steps in a process

Exam: Preparation:: Job:?

- Hectic
- Promotion
- Both (a) and (b)
- None of these

The correct option is (b).

1. Cause and Effect

Fire: Burn:: Rain:?

- Wet
- Cold
- Slippery
- None of the above

The correct option is (a)

1. Things and functions

Bed: Sleep:: Pen:?

- Write
- Exam
- Study
- Draw

The correct option is (a).

Pro tip

In case you are not sure about the correct option, use the elimination method. The correct answer is among those 4 options and it can be reached to by eliminating the incorrect options.