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Fill up the blanks in the passage with the most appropriate word from the options:

The latest stage of the continuing (1).....between India and the United States on the nuclear issue is now punctuated with pleasing diplomatic observations. Our latest round of talks with the American Deputy Secretary of State is 'positive encouraging'. The US Deputy Secretary of State remarked that none of us are pleased to have any clouds over the (2)..... We in India know that these clouds have (3).....towards the sub-continent from the West. The US can easily disperse the clouds if it wants. But the economic sanctions are still in place. The US is only (4).... trying to come to terms with the fact that the nuclear weapons are not the (5).... of the Permanent Members of the Security Council. If they do not recognise India as a nuclear power, then what is that they are (6)... to? India will not (7)....by their derecognising the nuclear tests both sides can happily close (8)....eyes and agree to (9)....what has happened. The fact that India is a sovereign nation entitled to take decision beneficial for its own security has not been altered by the tests. The US has come round to (10)...that India has some say in this matter.

1. (a) adversaries (b) negotiations (c) strifes (d) strategies

Ans. (b)

Explanation: if you have a quick reading of the complete passage you will understand that the passage is talking about transactions between India and US and option b will only suit best in giving a logical meaning to the sentence.

1. (a) relationship (b) struggle (c) matter (d) talks

Ans. (a)

Explanation: by interlinking the sentences and applying eliminating method the logical meaning of the sentence is achieved only by using option a.

1. (a) formed (b) eclipsed (c) floated (d) ruined

Ans. (c)

Explanation: now if you carefully read the sentence, it uses the word ‘cloud’ before the blank. So on a perusal of options, we can come to the conclusion that the word ‘float’ can only give the sentence meaning as clouds can float but they can’t be eclipsed, ruined or formed.

1. (a) generously (b) grudgingly (c) gracefully (d) willingly

Ans. (b)

Explanation: the tone of the sentences is negative and the options other than (b) are positive in meaning and only option (b) is giving a meaning to the sentence in connection with others.

1. (a) threats (b) creations (c) properties (d) monopoly

Ans. (d)

Explanation: option d only gives the meaning to the sentence in light of the passage. Other options are not providing a logical meaning.

1. (a) prepared (b) objecting (c) pointing (d) clinging

Ans. (b)

Explanation: by applying the elimination you will be left only with option c and b. But if you connect the sentences you will realise according to the tone of passage option b will only give the requisite meaning.

1. (a) gain (b) differ (c) flourish (d) suffer

Ans. (d)

Explanation: again if you will put each option in the sentence only option d will give meaning in the light of the entire passage to the sentence.

1. (a) their (b) our (c) naked (d) both

Ans. (a)

Explanation: the sentence preceding the blank is in the third person thus ‘their’ will be used.

1. (a) imitate (b) undo (c) ignore (d) cherish

Ans. (c)

Explanation: option c only gives the meaning to the sentence.

1. (a) expecting (b) suspecting (c) accepting (d) rejecting

Ans. (c)

Explanation: the meaning of the sentence in the light of the passage can be achieved only through option c.

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