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Practice Questions on Sentence Ordering

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Instructions:

Always time your test tasks. Put your phone away and try to solve these questions under 10 minutes!

In the following questions, the sentences are given, when arranged in a proper sequence, for a coherent paragraph. Each sentence is labelled with a letter. Choose the most logical order from the given choices. The first and last sentences are fixed.

Q1.

S1: My mother convinced me to give up smoking last month.

P: I decided to enrol at a rehab centre when my best friend died of lung cancer.

Q: It wasn't the graphic warnings on the packets or statutory warnings on TV that compelled me to do so.

R: The decision to quit smoking was a hard one to make.

S: After coming out proud and clean, it only took a whiff of smoke from the auto driver for me to reach the pack carefully hidden in my bag.

S2: My mother sitting next to me held my hand throughout the journey back home.

1. RQPS
2. QRPS
3. PQRS
4. PRQS

Answer: (a)

Q2.

S1: Martians could soon look forward to eating fresh produce.

P: On the way to Mars, it would be powered down and inactive whilst the lettuce seeds are frozen.

Q: The project, being run at the University of Southampton, aims to put the first life on Mars by growing the salad vegetable in a greenhouse which will use the atmosphere and sunlight to help it grow.

R: Carbon dioxide, which is essential for plant life, would be extracted from the Martian atmosphere and processed before entering the growth chamber.

S: Following a safe landing, the Mars One lander will start to supply power and heating elements to maintain a temperature between 21C to 24C.

S2: Once the environment had reached suitable conditions, the plant would start growing.

1. PQRS
2. QPSR
3. PQSR
4. PRSQ

Answer: (b)

Q3.

S1: Donald Trump has had an illustrious journey to where he stands as a presidential candidate.

P: His promises of equality, reduced taxed and replenishment of military have lured many Americans so far.

Q: It all began with his quest to unearth President Obama's birth certificate.

R: The real estate mogul and reality T.V. star weren't always inclined towards politics.

S: Most Americans are still on a fence between Trump and Clinton.

S2: Only time will tell who the Americans chose as their next President.

1. RQPS
2. PQRS

3. PRQS
4. QRPS

Answer: (a)

Q4. S1: The GST framework could easily be one of the most important tax reforms for India.

P: One of the main concerns of the states was the cumulative revenue loss that they will suffer once the Central Sales Tax is removed.

Q: The implementation of GST will lead to the abolition of other taxes such as Octroi, Central Sales Tax, state-level sales tax, entry tax, stamp duty etc. that currently exist in India.

R: It brings with it problems regarding the division of taxation powers between the Centre and the states.

S: The Centre has also agreed to compensate the states for revenue loss arising out of GST implementation for a period that may extend up to five years.

S2: It is expected to help build a transparent and corruption-free tax administration.

1. QRPS
2. QPRS
3. PQRS
4. PRSQ

Answer: (a)

Q5.

S1: The metamorphosis of a butterfly can take from 1 month to a year.

P: The worm-like creature that hatches out of the egg, called a caterpillar, eats the leaf it was born on.

Q: A female butterfly lays tiny round eggs on a leaf.

R: At the molting stage, a caterpillar eats all it can while shedding its skin.

S: At this stage, the caterpillar is done shedding skin and it creates a pupa to rest within.

S2: Once the pupa opens up, the transformation is complete and a new butterfly is ready for flight!

1. QPRS
2. PQRS
3. PQSR
4. None of these

Answer: (a)

Q6.

1. The Winchester or hard disk drives can store much more data than what can be stored on a floppy diskette.
2. Hard disks come sealed and they cannot be removed or changed like floppy diskette.
3. Often floppy disk system is used in conjunction with the Winchester disk system.
4. This makes for an ideal system for secondary storage. [CLAT 2013]
5. CABD
6. CBDA
7. BACD
8. ABCD

ANSWER: (d)

Q7.

S1: Spending hours in the same position can accelerate ageing.

A: 1,481 women between the ages of 64-95 answered questionnaires based upon their lifestyle in order to furnish material for the study.

B: As per the study published in the *American Journal of Epidemiology,* women who spend more than 10 hours a day sitting with no exercise have cells that are biologically older than their counterparts.

C: Along with the questionnaires, women were also asked to wear accelerometers for seven days to monitor their activity levels.

D: The activity levels were compared with the length of telomeres.

S6: Telomeres are caps attached to the end of DNA strands that get shorter with age.

1. ABCD
2. BACD
3. BADC
4. ABDC

Answer: (b)

Q8.

S1: Processed food may be exposing you to a chemical that could cause cancer.

A: Acrylamide interacts with the DNA and has been shown to increase the risk of cancer in animals.

B: Cooking for long durations and at high temperatures can produce more acrylamide.

C: Acrylamide is produced when starchy food such as potatoes and root vegetables are roasted, baked, fried or grilled at high temperatures.

D: As per a warning issued by the UK Food Standards Association (FSA), acrylamide is present in processed or overcooked food.

S6: A healthy diet and slow cooking can minimise exposure to cancer.

1. ABCD
2. ADBC
3. DCBA
4. None of these

Answer: (c)

Q9.

S1: As per the latest studies published in two Australian journals, there is no significant link to establish the symptoms of back pain and osteoarthritis with weather changes.

A: The belief in the correlation of the two phenomena dates back to the Roman era.

B: The study was conducted upon 1,000 people with low back pain and 345 with osteoarthritis.

C: Upon comparison of pain reports with weather conditions such as humidity, precipitation etc., no correlation was found.

D: The research suggested that the belief may be based on the fact that people recall events that confirm their pre-existing views.

S6: Human beings are highly susceptible so it's easy to see why we might only take note of pain on the days when it's cold and rainy outside, but discount the days when it's sunny.

1. ABCD
2. BCAD
3. BCDA
4. None of these

Answer: (b)

Q10.

S1: Who doesn't enjoy an afternoon siesta?

A: As per a study published in the Journal of the *American Geriatrics Society,* afternoon naps can help older adults maintain their memory.

B: The study was conducted on 2,974 Chinese adults over the age of 65.

C: They answered questionnaires to assess their memory, attention and cognitive ability.

D: Those who took an hour-long nap after lunch performed better on the mental tests compared to those who did not.

S6: On average, people who did not take an hour-long nap showed a decrease in mental ability.

1. ABCD
2. CADB
3. ABDC
4. ACDB

Answer: (a)

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