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# Sample Questions for CLAT 2023: English Section

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## SAMPLE QUESTIONS

### Directions for Questions 1 to 5:

**When properly sequenced, the sentences given in each question form a coherent paragraph. Each sentence is labeled with a letter. Choose the most logical order of sentences from among the given choices to construct a coherent paragraph.**

1. A. Call it the third wave sweeping the Indian media.
B. Now, they are starring in a new role, as suave dealmakers who are in a hurry to strike alliances and agreements.
C. Look around and you will find a host of deals that have been inked or are ready to be finalized.
D. Then the media barons wrested back control from their editors, and turned marketing warriors with the brand as their missile.
E. The first came with those magnificent men in their mahogany chambers who took on the world with their mighty fountain pens.

**(a)ACBED**
**(b)CEBDA**
**(c)CAEBD**
**(d)AEDBC**

2. A. The celebrations of economic recovery in Washington may be as premature as that “Mission Accomplished” banner hung on the USS Abraham Lincoln to hail the end of the Iraq war.
B. Meanwhile, in the real world, the struggles of families and communities continue unabated.
C. Washington responded to the favorable turn in economic news with enthusiasm.
D. The celebrations and high-fives up and down Pennsylvania Avenue are not to be found beyond the Beltway.
E. When the third quarter GDP showed growth of 7.2% and the monthly unemployment rate

dipped to 6%, euphoria gripped the US capital.

**(a)ACEDB**

**(b)CEDAB**

**(c)ECABD**

**(d)ECBDA**

3. A. Four days later, Oracle announced its own bid for PeopleSoft, and invited the firm's board to a discussion.
B. Furious that his own plans had been endangered, PeopleSoft's boss, Craig Conway, called Oracle's offer "diabolical", and its boss, Larry Ellison, a "sociopath".
C. In early June, PeopleSoft said that it would buy J.D. Edwards, a smaller rival.
D. Moreover, said Mr. Conway, "he could imagine no price nor combination of price and other conditions to recommend accepting the offer."
E. On June 12th, PeopleSoft turned Oracle down.

**(a)CABDE**

**(b)CADBE**

**(c)CEDAB**

**(d)CAEBD**

4. A. A few months ago I went to Princeton University to see what the young people who are going to be running our country in a few decades are like.
B. I would go to sleep in my hotel room around midnight each night, and when I awoke, my mailbox would be full of replies sent at 1:15 a.m., 2:59 a.m., 3:23 a.m.
C. One senior told me that she went to bed around two and woke up each morning at seven; she could afford that much rest because she had learned to supplement her full day of work by studying in her sleep.
D. Faculty members gave me the names of a few dozen articulate students, and I sent them e-mails, inviting them out to lunch or dinner in small groups.
E. As she was falling asleep she would recite a math problem or a paper topic to herself; she would then sometimes dream about it, and when she woke up, the problem might be solved.

**(a)DABCE**

**(b)DACEB**

**(c)ADBCE**

**(d)AECBD**

5. A. I am much more intolerant of a human being's shortcomings than I am of an animal's, but in this respect I have been lucky, for most of the people I have come across have been charming.
B. Then you come across the unpleasant human animal—the District Officer who drawled, "We chaps are here to help you chaps,' and then proceeded to be as obstructive as possible.
C. In these cases of course, the fact that you are an animal collector helps; people always seem delighted to meet someone with such an unusual occupation and go out of their way to assist you.
D. Fortunately, these types are rare, and the pleasant ones I have met more than compensated for them—but even so, I think I will stick to animals.
E. When you travel round the world collecting animals you also, of necessity, collect human beings.

**(a)EACBD**
**(b)ABDCE**
**(c)ECBDA**
**(d)ACBDE**

**Questions 6-10: In questions given below out of four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given word.**

**6. Sumptuous**

(a)delirious
(b)gorgeous
(c)Perilous
(d)luxurious

**7. Reel**

(a)whirl
(b)fish
(c)hit
(d)mistake

**8. Inscrutable**

(a)difficult

(b)mysterious

(c)inflexible

(d)wary

**9. Temerity**

(a)audacity

(b)fearfulness

(c)shyness

(d)stupidity

**10. educe**

(a)demand

(b)elicit

(c)ideal

(d)Unlawful

**Questions 11- 15: In the following questions choose the word which is the exact OPPOSITE of the given words.**

**11. Quiescent**

(a)lackadaisical

(b)active

(c)dull

(d)prescient

**12. Sartorial**

(a) cheerful

(b) sincere

(c)inelegant

(d)homespun

**13. Sapient**

(a) hunched

(b) strong

(c)simple

(d)simian

**14. Matutinal**

(a) paternal

(b) crepuscular

(c)maritime

(d)marsupial

**15. Impecunious**

(a)wealthy

(b) cautious

(c)hungry

(d)Tardy

**ANSWERS**

1.d

2. d

3.a

4.c

5.a

6.d

7.a

8.b

9.a

10.b

11.b

12.a

13.c

14.b

15.a

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