

TM NATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION (NTSE-2018) STAGE -1

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SOLUTIONS

Direction for Question No. I - 5: Read the passage and ansuter the questions based on it.

Of all the trees of southern Asia, the banyan is unique, not only for the manner of its growth, but for the area of shade it provides from the burning sun. Its close relationship with man has evolved over the years to make the banyan a popular meeting place, a focal point of worship and a source of practical materials for commerce.

	Known as the 'Strangler fig' because of its unusual manner of growth, the banyan is an epiphyte or air plant, that its birth in the branches of a host tree and lives on airborne moisture and nutrients. Banyan seeds deposited by birds, bats or monkeys in the rich soil collected in the crevices of host tree branches.				
	As the banyan grows, it sends aerial roots down the trunk of the supporting tree. In time, the roots that reach ground choke the host tree by preventing its trunk from enlarging. The two best known species of banyans at the Indian, one of the world's largest tropical trees; and the Chinese, a smaller species with fewer aerial roots.				
1.	The banyan tree is unique for				
	(1) it grows in southern Asia		(2) it is a small tree		
	(3) its growth is unusual and it gives shade for big area		(4) its fruit is very big		
Ans.	(3)				
Sol.	Given in the first line of the	e passage.			
2.	The banyan tree is a focal	point of worship for			
	(1) birds	(2) wild animals	(3) nature	(4) man	
Ans.	(4)				
Sol.	Given in the lost line of the 1st para.				
3.	Owing to its unusual manner of growth, the banyan tree is called				
	(1) a place of worship	(2) a place of rest	(3) a strangler fig	(4) a tree of beauty	
Ans.	(3)				
Sol.	Given in the first line of th	e 1st para.			
4.	. The two species of banyan trees are				
	(1) the Indian and the Chinese		(2) the shady and the big		
	(3) the aerial and the land		(4) the host and the gue	est.	
Ans.	(1)				
Sol.	Given in the the second line of the last para.				
5.	The aerial roots the trunk of the host tree.				
	(1) support	(2) grow	(3) choke	(4) enlarge	
Ans.	(3)				
Sol.	Given in the second line of the last para.				

	Choose the correct opt	ions to fill in the blanks				
6.	A doctor the patients but God cures all.					
	(1) treating	(2) treated	(3) treats	(4) had treated		
Ans.	(3)					
Sol.	As per the rule of 'General facts take simple present tense.					
7 .	While basket	While basketball Sunil was badly hit.				
	(1) play	(2) playing	(3) played	(4) had played		
Ans.	(2)					
Sol.	Continuous form of verb is	s used with 'while'.				
8.	slow, this is s	chool area.				
	(1) Drive	(2) Is driving	(3) Drove	(4) Driven		
Ans.	(1)					
Sol.	Simple present tense is us	ed to give instructions.				
9.	'Applaud' means					
	(1) remark	(2) backbite	(3) consent	(4) praise		
Ans.	(4)					
Sol.	The most appropriate ans	wer is 4.				
10.	Find the odd one out.					
	(1) advance	(2) promote	(3) forward	(4) farther		
Ans.	(2)					
Sol.	Option (1), (3) and (4) have the 'promote' has a difference meaning.					
11.	• The new slogan by our school teacher last year.					
	(1) is given	(2) is being given	(3) was given	(4) was being given.		
Ans.	(3)					
Sol.	'last year'; This phrase in	dicates the use of Simple Pa	ast Tense in Passive Voice i	n the sentence.		
12 .	The notorious band	today.				
	(1) has been arrested	(2) had been arrested	(3) was been arrested	(4) will have arrested		
Ans.	(1)					
Sol.	Present perfect tense in pa	assive form is used in this se	entence as 'today' word is g	given here.		
13 .	Let the picture					
	(1) is hung	(2) being hung	(3) be hung	(4) been hung.		
Ans.	(3)					
Sol.	'Let' takes be $_{\rm V_3}$ form (Past Participle).					
14.	Those cars b	y robots year ago.				
	(1) are being built	(2) are built	(3) were built	(4) had built		
Ans.	(3)					
Sol.	It takes Simple Past Tense	e in passive voice as 'years a	ngo' is given here.			
15 .	The sages said, "You will be winner".					
	(1) if he would be winner		(2) that he would be win	ner		
	(3) that he will be winner		(4) that they would be w	inner		
Ans.	(2)					

Sol. 'Will be' is used in direct speech which is converted to 'would be' indirect speech.

16 .	Sarla said to me, "I need your help today."						
	Sarla told me						
	(1) that she needed my help that day		(2) that I needed he	(2) that I needed her help that day			
	(3) that she needed your help that day		(4) that you needed	l my help now.			
Ans.	(1)						
Sol.	In indirect speech – 'need' changes to 'needed' and 'today' to 'that day' and 'I' will be changed according to the speaker.						
17 .	The policeman said to	The policeman said to my mother, "May I help you?"					
	The policeman asked my mother						
	(1) if she need his help		(2) may he help you	(2) may he help you			
	(3) that he might help her		(4) if he might help	her.			
Ans.	(4)						
Sol.	As per the use of modals in indirect speech the answer will take 'might' after subject and 'if' will be used a connector in 'yes / no' question.						
18.	The landlord commar	nded, "You not	enter my house again."				
	(1) can	(2) shall	(3) may	(4) could.			
Ans.	(2)						
Sol.	'Threat' / working in	2 nd person takes 'shall'.					
19.	One b	e punctual.					
	(1) can	(2) may	(3) should	(4) will.			
Ans.	(3)						
Sol.	Modal – should is used	d with an advice.					
20.	The synonym of 'benevolent' is.						
	(1) honest	(2) holy	(3) generous	(4) cruel.			
Ans.	(3)						
Sol.	The meanning of the	given word - kind.					
21.	The antonym of 'realis	stic' is					
	(1) imaginary	(2) true	(3) reliable	(4) authentic.			
Ans.	(1)						
Sol.	Antonyms is 'imaginary' the most apt answer.						
22 .	Gold and silver	precious metals.					
	(1) is	(2) are	(3) was	(4) am			
Ans.	(2)						
Sol.	'and' connecting 2 hours take a singular verb.						
23 .	The wages of sin	death.					
	(1) is	(2) are	(3) were	(4) am.			
Ans.	(1)						
Sol.	'Wages' here means punishment – uncountable noun and will take singular form of verb.						
24 .	A rupee has	hundred paise.					
	(1) the	(2) a	(3) an	(4) any			
Ans.	(2)						
Sol.	Hundred paise is taken as a unit, so will take indefinite article 'a'.						

25 .	Please give me more tea.				
	(1) few	(2) many	(3) some	(4) any	
Ans.	(3)				
Sol.	'Some' is used in positive ser	ntences for countable or un	countable nouns. 'Tea' is u	ncountable noun here.	
26 .	"How money do	you need ?" she asked the	boy.		
	(1) many	(2) some	(3) any	(4) much	
Ans.	(4)				
Sol.	'How much' is used with 'mo	oney' because money is an i	uncountable noun.		
27 .	The correctly spelt word is				
	(1) comepasion	(2) compassion	(3) comepation	(4) compasion.	
Ans.	(2)				
Sol.	The only correctly spelt word	l.			
28 .	The correctly spelt world is				
	(1) depandence	(2) deppendance	(3) dependence	(4) dependance.	
Ans.	(3)				
Sol.	The only correctly spelt word	l.			
29 .	The piper stepped	the street.			
	(1) on	(2) in	(3) into	(4) for	
Ans.	(3)				
Sol.	'step' take 'into' as prepositi	on.			
30 .	The sailors sailed	. the river.			
	(1) on	(2) down	(3) below	(4) above	
Ans.	(2)				
Sol.	Here in this context 'sailed d	own' will be used.			
31.	The mail train is due	3 p.m.			
	(1) on	(2) of	(3) by	(4) in	
Ans.	(3)				
Sol.	'By' is the most appropriate preposition that goes with 'due'.				
32 .	The tiger is now confined	national parks.			
	(1) to	(2) off	(3) at	(4) of	
Ans.	(1)				
Sol.	'confined' takes 'to' as a preposition.				
33.	He learnt to play physical games,?				
	(1) did he	(2) didn't you	(3) doesn't he	(4) didn't he.	
Ans.	(4)				
Sol.	learnt is in simple past and question tag of an affirmative sentence will be negative so answer is didn't he.				
34 .	I ain't interested in video gam	nes,?			
	(1) is you	(2) aren't you	(3) am I	(4) are you.	
Ans.	(3)				
Sol.	Question tag of 'am not' will be positive with the same helping verb.				

35 .	Be just fear not.					
	(1) or	(2) but	(3) and	(4) if		
Ans.	(3)					
Sol.	Connector 'and' will b	pe used in this context.				
36 .						
	(1) or	(2) but	(3) and	(4) if		
Ans.	(4)					
Sol.	It is a proverb so 'if' w	vill be used as a connector.				
37 .	Nalini's grandfather died she was born.					
	(1) but	(2) before	(3) and	(4) so.		
Ans.	(2)					
Sol.	'before' – The first ac	tion took place before the birth	n of Nalini, hence the corre	ect answer.		
38 .	The police caught the	thieflooted	travellers in the passenger	trains.		
	(1) which	(2) whom	(3) who	(4) whose		
Ans.	(3)					
Sol.	Relative pronoun 'who	o' is used for persons, here for	'thief'.			
39 .	The king was happy	people gave 1	him gifts			
	(1) where	(2) when	(3) whom	(4) who		
Ans.	(2)					
Sol.	'When' connector is used to show time.					
40 .). She broke the glass was very expensive.					
	(1) what	(2) how	(3) who	(4) that		
Ans.	(4)					
Sol.	'That' relative pronoun is used for things, here for 'glass'.					
	Reorder the words to make sentences :					
41.	is / my /	democracy / ideal	/ political			
	(a) (b)	(c) (d)	(e)			
	(1) (a) (c) (b) (e) (d)	(2) (b) (e) (d) (a) (c)	(3) (d) (b) (e) (a) (c)	(4) (a) (d) (e) (c) (b)		
Ans.	(2)					
Sol.	The most appropriate arrangement of the words given.					
42 .	Ideal / were /	as an / couple	/ my parents /	regarded		
	(a) (b)	(c) (d)	(e)	(f)		
	(1) (e) (b) (f) (c) (a) (d)	(2) (c) (a) (d) (f) (e) (b)	(3) (b) (d) (a) (e) (f) (c)	(4) (e) (d) (f) (c) (a) (b)		
Ans.	(1)					
Sol.	The most appropriate arrangement of the words given.					
43 .	the model / we	e / the outlook /	of / changed			
	(a) (b)	(c)	(d) (e)			
	(1) (b) (a) (e) (d) (c)	(2) (d) (a) (e) (c) (b)	(3) (b) (e) (c) (d) (a)	(4) (a) (e) (c) (b) (d)		
Ans.	(3)					

Sol. The most appropriate arrangement of the words given.

44.	The correct suffix that goes with the word 'charge' is.					
	(1) - ment	(2) - ity	(3) - ish	(4) - able		
Ans.	(4)					
Sol.	The suffix - able makes the r	neaningful word 'chargeat	le'			
45 .	The correct prefix that goes	with the word 'legal' is.				
	(1) un-	(2) in-	(3) it-	(4) im-		
Ans.	(1)					
Sol.	un- is used to form the word	ʻunlegal'.				
	For Question Nos. 46 and 4	17 choose the correct mean	ning of the given phrasal ve	erbs		
46 .	'Call for'					
	(1) shout	(2) allow	(3) require	(4) give		
Ans.	(3)					
Sol.	The correct meaning of the given phrasal verb.					
47 .	The company 'turned down' his application.					
	(1) rejected	(2) put on table	(3) accepted	(4) entered'		
Ans.	(1)					
Sol.	The correct meaning of the given phrasal verb.					
48 .	The correct example of homophones is					
	(1) care - cure	(2) liar - layer	(3) except - accept	(4) gold - glad.		
Ans.	(3)					
Sol.	The only homophone from the given options.					
49 .	A person who seeks to promote the welfare of others is					
	(1) atheist	(2) Philanthropist	(3) fatalist	(4) pessimist.		
Ans.	(2)					
Sol.	The correct one word for the given definition.					
50 .	A poem consisting of fourteen iambic pentameter lines is.					
	(1) lyric	(2) balled	(3) ode	(4) sonnet		
Ans.	(4)					
Sol.	The correct one word for the given definition.					