Question No: 1 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose antonym for the underlined word.
Our investigation will reveal the truth.

► conceal
► expose
► inspect
► announce

Question No: 2 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Fill in the blank with the most suitable phrasal verb.
The weather brought my cold.....

► down
► up
► off
► on

Question No: 3 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Which suffix can correctly be added to the root word 'electric' to make a new word?

► ed
► ian
► sion
► y

Question No: 4 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose a suitable option to fill in the blank.
Newton imagined light to _______ of particles emitted from luminous bodies.

► assist
► desist
► consist
► persist

Question No: 5 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Indicate the correct form of verb in the sentence given below.
He was told not to laugh at policemen.
Question No: 6  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Read the sentence carefully and decide which of the five choices provided comes closest in meaning to the word underlined.

Sue **affected** to like her only until she found a better friend.

► Agreed
► Pretended
► Wanted
► Bothered

Question No: 7  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Read the statement carefully and choose ‘inference’ from the given options.
If you get fired from your job, you can infer that:

► You did something wrong.
► You will never get a job again
► You were the best worker.
► You might get a raise.

Question No: 8  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Complete the following sentence by choosing the correct option.

The coach's __________ voice could be heard over all the other noise in the gymnasium.

► sanguine
► ingratiating
► **strident**
► mellifluous

Question No: 9  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Complete the following sentence by choosing the correct option.

The lab technicians went through the titration process with __________ care.

► sedulous
► ribald
► vestigial
► mordant
Question No: 10  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Complete the sentence by choosing the best option/pair of connectives.
_____ the men _____ their supervisor is to be blamed for the mishap.
► Neither…and
► Either…and
► Neither…nor
► Either…nor

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Question No: 1  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Read the cause in the given situation and choose the effect.
She was in a hurry riding her bike, so she carried her viola across the handlebars. She failed to see the rock on the street in front of her.

► The viola did not fall off the bike.
► The rock did not get in the girl's way.
► The girl fell off of her bike.
► The girl got off her bike to take a break.

Question No: 2  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Fill in the blank with appropriate connector.
__________ other mollusks, the oyster reproduces by eggs.
► Regarding
► As to
► Like
► With

Question No: 3  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Which one of the following cannot be used for the suffix -ion?
► Put-
► exhaust-
► correct-
► collect-

Question No: 4  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose the best meaning of highlighted words in the sentence.
Reforestation will help to restore our environment.
► cutting down trees will help to recover the environment.
► planting trees again will replenish our environment.
Forests should be cut to improve the worsening environmental pollution.
Cutting down trees will further help to worsen the environment.

Question No: 5  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Complete the sentence by choosing the best option. /pair of connectives.
James usually has his lunch at this restaurant _____ sometimes he eats elsewhere.
► if
► either
► neither
► but

Question No: 6  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Complete the sentence by choosing the best option.
It was an expensive vase _____ they bought it to pleases their mother.
► either
► neither
► but
► or

Question No: 7  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Read the statement carefully and choose ‘inference’ from the given options.
If you see someone fall off of their bike, you can infer that:
► It’s a new bike.
► They weren’t wearing helmet.
► They have never ridden a bike before.
► They have lost their balance.

Question No: 8  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose the best meaning for the word underlined.
Being unable to write clearly is a liability in a business career. In business, one must often express opinions and ideas in writing.
► surprise
► necessity
► drawback
► penalty

Question No: 9  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose the best meaning for the word underlined.
By giving military aid to dictatorships in Latin America, the United States has seemed to sanction their cruel policies.
► create
Question No: 10 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Complete the sentence by choosing the correct option.
“Oh, dear! I have left _____ my purse _____ keys in the other bag,” said Seema.
► both…and
► either…nor
► either…and
► neither…or

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Question No: 1 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose the phrasal verb most similar in meaning to: Refuse

 ► Turn down

 ► Look out for

 ► Put out

 ► Turn up

Question No: 2 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Which suffix cannot be added to the root word 'employ' to make a new word?

 ► ment
 ► ing
 ► less
 ► er

Question No: 3 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Complete the sentence by choosing the best option. /pair of connectives.
Each class is to present _____ a drama _____ a song for the concert.

 ► both…nor
 ► either…or
 ► either…and
 ► both…or
Question No: 4  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Read the sentence carefully and identify which of the given choices is closest in meaning to the word underlined.

J.Paul Getty, the late billionaire, was so **frugal** that he had a pay telephone for the guests in his home.
► Sensitive
► Generous
► **Thrifty**
► Honest

Question No: 5  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Read the statement carefully and choose ‘inference’ from the given options.

If you go to a birthday party, you can infer that:
► **There will be a cake.**
► The person is turning 20.
► There will be a clown.
► You will have bad time.

Question No: 6  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Choose the best meaning for the highlighted word.

1. A student of **contemporary** art must also study the classic works of artists from the past, recognizing that these masters produced the modern art of their own time.

modern
► religious
► not having to do with religion
► **modern**
► former

Question No: 7  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Choose the best meaning for the word underlined.

There is an optimum way to approach each kind of exam question. For a multiple-choice item, for example, first eliminate any clearly wrong answers. For an essay question, jot down an outline first.
► time-consuming
► annoying
► **best**
► inconvenient
Question No: 8 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose the correctly spelled word from the options provided.

► callender
► calendar
► calendre
► calander

Question No: 9 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Click on the option that you think is correct.
Hemp cannot be used to produce marijuana, ___ its low THC content.

► as
► because
► because of
► and

Question No: 10 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose a suitable option to fill in the blank.
Coach Calhoun tried to ___________ his team to try harder in the face of overwhelming odds.

► exhort
► instigate
► emulate
► flout

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Question No: 1 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Complete the following sentence by choosing the correct option.
The UConn women basketball team's perfect season ___________ in a championship win over Tennessee.

► fulminated
► fomented
► culminated
► alleviated

Question No: 2 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Fill in the blank with correct option.
A kind of ___________ seemed to occur when David graduated from high school. He became a serious student all of a sudden.
Question No: 3  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one  
Which one of the following statements expresses fact?

► Professor Ahmad khan argues that the effect of carbon emissions on the surrounding environment will only get worse.

► This product might cause stomach upset for some people in years to come.
► In 2005, Brazil and FC Barcelona star Ronaldinho was named FIFA World Footballer of The Year.
► Local councilors should spend more time listening to residents and less time listening to each other.

Question No: 4  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one  
Choose the best meaning/definition for the highlighted word.

Santos knew that the reading class would improve his vocabulary and comprehension, thus increasing his chances of success in subsequent college courses.

► less important
► out of order
► following
► first

Question No: 5  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one  
Which one of these means ‘a loose garment’?

► Cloak
► Clock
► Clone
► Clot

Question No: 6  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one  
Complete the sentence by choosing the correct option.
You must have been _____ daydreaming _____ sleeping in class again.

► Neither…or
► Both…or
► Either…or
► Either…and

Question No: 7  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one  
Complete the sentence by choosing the best option. /pair of connectives.
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► if
► either
Question No: 8 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Complete the sentence by choosing the best option/pair of connectives.
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► Neither…and
► Either…and
► Neither…nor
► Either…nor

Question No: 9 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose the best meaning or synonym for the highlighted word.
When your plan brings us great wealth, you will be rewarded for your sagacity.
► huge appetite for herbs
► good looks
► mistakes
► intelligence

Question No: 10 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose a suitable option to fill in the blank.
Coach Calhoun tried to _________ his team to try harder in the face of overwhelming odds.
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► instigate
► emulate
► Flout

Question No: 11 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose a suitable option to fill in the blank.
Newton imagined light to _________ of particles emit from luminous bodies.
► Assist
► desist
► consist
► persist
Question No: 12 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Which one of the following cannot be used for the suffix -ure?

► lect-
► fiss-
► depart-
► polit-

Question No: 13 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Read the cause in the given situation and choose the effect.
I ran as fast as I could, passing all the other runners in the race. I wasn't even tired, either.

► I won the race
► I came in last place in the race.
► I decided to run the last lap of the race again.
► I stopped at the store for a snack, since I was ahead of everyone else.

Question No: 14 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Fill in the blank with the most suitable phrasal verb.
She brought..... the deal even though nobody thought she was capable of doing it.

► off
► in
► out
► down

Question No: 15 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Identify the best answer which is not a synonym for the word 'sleepy'.

► Lethargic
► Soporific
► Hyperbolic
► Somnolent

Question No: 16 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose the phrasal verb most similar in meaning to: Wear

► Try on
► Fill out
► Have on
► Turn on
Question No: 17  (Marks: 2)
Choose appropriate options for the sentence given below:
I (accept/except) all your compliments, but I (advice/advise) you to offer (fewer/less) of them at a time because (its/it's) not good for a person to hear too many positive things about himself in one day.

Solution:
I accept all your compliments, but I advise you to offer fewer of them at a time because it’s not good for a person to hear too many positive things about himself in one day.

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Question No: 1  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Fill in the blank with correct option.
Esmerelda’s dissertation was on such an __________ subject that no one could understand it.
► austere
► auspicious
► esoteric
► equitable

Question No: 2  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Choose the best meaning for the word underlined.
What makes up a true work of art? Although no single criterion seems adequate, the novelist James Joyce suggested three standards: "wholeness, harmony and radiance."
► artist
► question
► standard
► novel

Question No: 3  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
If a statement is proved true through objective evidence, what it will be called?
► Analysis
► Proposal
► Fact
► Opinion

Question No: 4  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Read the statement carefully and choose ‘inference’ from the given options.
If you get fired from your job, you can infer that:
► You did something wrong.
► You will never get a job again
► You were the best worker.
► You might get a raise.

Question No: 5  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Which one of these means 'polite in an extreme way’?

► Gentian
► Gentile
► Genial
► **Genteel**

Question No: 6  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Which one of these means 'a useless person’?

► **Dead loss**
► Dead wood
► Dead weight
► Dead heat

Question No: 7  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Complete the sentence by choosing the correct option.
Rashid called _____ ;told me what happened.
► or
► nor
► **and**
► but

Question No: 8  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Indicate the correct form of verb in the sentence given below.
He was told not to laugh at policemen.
► -ing
► Infinitive
► **Past**
► -ed

Question No: 9  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Choose the best meaning or synonym for the highlighted word.
When your plan brings us great wealth, you will be rewarded for your **sagacity**.
► huge appetite for herbs
Question No: 10 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose the best available substitute word for the following root/prefix:

Post-

► against
► before
► **after**
► around

Question No: 11 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose the best available substitute word for the following root/prefix:

Scrib-/Script-

► self
► life
► flow
► **write**

Question No: 12 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Pick the most suitable phrasal verb to complete the sentence given below.
If you're coming tonight, could you bring ........ some CDs

► on
► over
► **up**
► in

Question No: 13 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Model rhymes with:

► cuddle
► doodle
► hotel
► **yodel**

Question No: 14 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Which of the following statement is true?

► blind rhymes with hint, print, i.e. the final consonant is unvoiced.
blind rhymes with sinned, grinned, wind
blind rhymes with mind, kind, hind, lined
blind rhymes with pint, i.e. the final consonant is unvoiced.

Question No: 15 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose antonym for the underlined word.
Sunglasses will only hinder your ability to see at night.
► accept
► describe
► equal
► help

Question No: 16 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose the phrasal verb most similar in meaning to: Resemble
► Get out of
► Keep up with
► Look like
► Take out

Question No: 1 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose the correct word or phrase to complete the sentence.
Ever since he married Jane, he's had a new ____ on life.
► title
► rent
► Lease
► loan

Question No: 2 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Which one of these means ‘tranquil’?
► Placoid
► Placid
► Plague
► Placate

Question No: 3 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Read the sentence carefully and decide which of the five choices provided comes closest in meaning to the word underlined.
My Corvette’s voracious appetite for gasoline made me decide to trade it in for an economy car, the Chevette.

- Tiny
- Huge
- Sensational
- Finicky

Question No: 4 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Complete the sentence by choosing the best option.
We are planning to go to _____ Spain _____ France during the holidays.
- either…nor
- either…or
- neither…and
- both…nor

Question No: 5 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Indicate the correct form of verb in the sentence given below.
The population has increased by 6% since 1970.
- Present
- Infinitive
- -ing
- -ed

Question No: 6 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Complete the sentence by choosing the best option.
"Would you marry a man who has _____ fame _____ money?" Mary asked her best friend.
- either…and
- neither….. nor
- both…nor
- either…nor

Question No: 7 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Choose a suitable option to fill in the blank.
I don’t think these flowers are __________ to New England. At least I’ve never seen them.
- Exigent
- Fluent
- Indigenous
- Ingenuous

Question No: 8 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Which one of the following cannot be used for the suffix -ial?
Question No: 9  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Choose the best available substitute word for the following root/prefix:

Alter-/Altr-

► large, great
► change, other
► outside, beyond
► good, well

Question No: 10  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
When the suffix 'ness' is added to the word 'happy', what will be the correct spelling?

► hapiness
► happyness
► happiness
► hapyness

Question No: 11  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Fill in the blank with appropriate connector.
With neither a naturally aggressive disposition ________ particularly large size, the mimic octopus
survives quite easily because of its natural adaptations.
► or its
► nor a
► with its
► and a

Question No: 12  (Marks: 1)  - Please choose one
Read the cause in the given situation and choose the effect.
I awoke in the morning and ate breakfast. Then I pulled out my toothbrush and smeared ADA-
approved toothpaste all over the bristles.

► I took a shower.
► I combed my hair.
► I left for the bus stop.
► I brushed my teeth.
Question No: 13 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
What is the definition of effect?
► **The result of what happened in a given situation.**
► What happened in a given situation?
► The reason something happened in a given situation.
► The order of events in a given situation.

Question No: 14 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Choose the correctly spelled word from the options provided.
► callender
► calendar
► **calendar**
► calander

Question No: 15 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
Pick the most suitable phrasal verb to complete the sentence given below.
She brought her children .......... on her own after the divorce.
► over
► in
► out
► **up**

Question No: 16 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one
How many consonant sounds are there in English language?
► 20
► **24**
► 26
► 23

Question No: 17 (Marks: 2)
Fill in the blanks with participle.
1. Mike has ----- three sandwiches. (eat)
2. Someone has ----- my toothbrush! (use)
3. I have ----- him for ten years. (know)
4. My mother has ------ the hole in my sock. (mend)

Solution:
1. Mike has **eaten** three sandwiches. (eat)
2. Someone has **used** my toothbrush! (use)
3. I have **Known** him for ten years. (know)
4. My mother has **mended** the hole in my sock. (Mend)
Question No: 17 (Marks: 2)
What is the purpose of table in a text?

Answer:
In a text, table contain columns and rows, in which each columns and rows have the unique value and properties through which data can be handled easily.
- To manage and updated easily.
- Sorting easily.
- To access readily.

Question No: 18 (Marks: 2)
Rewrite the sentence below, keeping in mind that your new sentence should be well written and should have essentially the same meaning as the sentence given.

Having no air conditioning, her apartment is very hot.

Rewrite, beginning with: Her apartment is very hot) by it being no Air conditioning.

The next words will be
(a) on account of it has
(b) because it has
(c) by it being
(d) being as it is

Question No: 19 (Marks: 3)
Add the correct suffix to the highlighted word in each sentence.
1. You will not be permitted to swim with the sharks! (ed, er)
2. The old road has to be repaved. (ed, ing)
3. Are you planning to visit me in Myrtle Beach? (ed, ing)

Question No: 20 (Marks: 5)
Write the correct prefix in the blanks to make negative forms of the adjectives.

1. The new house is not ___dis___similar to our old one except that it's a bit bigger.
2. The organization insists that it is ___im___political and does not identify with any one particular party.
3. The ownership of the painting remains ___un___clear.
4. We’re living in an ___im___perfect world.
5. Whether the book is well or badly written is ___im___material to me - it has an important message.

Question No: 21 (Marks: 5)
Read the paragraph and answer the questions given below.
At Dalton State College, the registrant of a motor vehicle is held responsible for the safe and prudent operating
and proper parking of his or her vehicle regardless of who may be the operator. Curbs painted in yellow are no parking areas. Parking against the flow of traffic is prohibited at all times. Vehicles parked on campus after school hours may be towed away. All faculty and staff reserved parking areas will be painted in red. Fines will be paid at the Business Office in the Westcott Building. Speed limits are as posted. There is no parking at anytime on College Drive. Decals are not transferable.

Q1. Choose the sentence that best states the implied main idea.
Answer:
Parking against the flow of traffic is prohibited at all times at "Dalton State College".

Q2. Why people have to pay fines at Business Office in the Westcott Building?
Answer:
People have to pay fines at Business Office in the Westcott Building, if they break the traffic rules implied by the registrant of Dalton State College.

Q3. Suggest a suitable topic for the passage.
Suitable topic for the passage.
Answer:
Parking rules during college hours.

Question No: 22 (Marks: 5)
Underline two synonyms in each sentence.

1. Irma thinks you are very well informed, but Shelly believes you don't know what you're talking about.
2. Kerry gave a triumphant shout to celebrate our team's victorious record.
3. I couldn't recall her name and I don't even remember where we met.
4. Chris wasn't in his seat when the teacher passed out the morning assignment. He was tardy as usual. Then he missed the bus and was late for supper.
5. George was demanded to confess his guilt. The other kids knew that George would never admit that he had done wrong.

Solution:
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Question No: 11 (Marks: 2)
Read the statements and identify them as Fact/Opinion.
1. Pizza tastes better than fish. **Opinion**
2. Many people work Mondays through Fridays at their jobs. **Opinion**
3. Before electricity, many people burnt candles to give them light. **Fact**
4. Jumping rope is a form of exercise. **Fact**

Question No: 12 (Marks: 2)
Fill in the blanks with participle.

1. The story was **red**-- by the librarian. **read**
2. These numbers have been **added**-- wrong. **add**
3. My brother has never **drunk**-- wine. **drink**
4. I have never **felt**-- so sick before. **feel**

Question No: 13 (Marks: 3)
Identify the following statements as F for fact, O for opinion or B for a blend of both.

1. Victor Emmanuel II was the first king to rule over a united Italy; he was also a madman, who had his toenail clippings edged in gold and encrusted in diamonds. Then he would give the clippings to palace favorites. **O**

2. In 1943, the extraordinary Jacques Cousteau invented an improved diving suit that allowed divers to descend 500 feet below the surface of the ocean; nowadays, that suit is usually referred to as a scuba suit. **F**

3. Richard Rodriguez writes movingly about his personal struggle to honor his Spanish-speaking parents and still excel at speaking English. **O**

Question No: 14 (Marks: 3)
Fill in the blanks with participle.

1. She has **requested**-- two tickets to the show. **request**
2. I have **thought**-- about it for a long time. **think**
3. The money was **put**-- in the bank. **put**
4. Have you been **hurt**--? **hurt**
5. The paper will have to be **redo**--. **redo**
6. Mike has already **read**-- that article. **read**
Question No: 15 (Marks: 5)
Read the paragraph and identify the main idea.

When aging parents need help, it puts a tremendous weight on their adult children. The situation is particularly difficult if the parent does not live nearby. To handle such difficult situations, some health experts advise adult children to investigate community resources such as Meals on Wheels. Another suggestion is to rotate care among other family members. Sometimes the problem can be alleviated by having the parent move closer. It is also essential to assess the parent's actual needs.

**Main idea:** There are solutions to a number of difficulties that adult children face when caring for aged parents.

Question No: 16 (Marks: 5)
Read the passage carefully and identify the main idea.

Myths are stories, the products of fertile imagination, sometimes simple, often containing profound truths. They are not meant to be taken too literally. Details may sometimes appear childish, but most myths express a culture's most serious beliefs about human beings, eternity, and God.

**Main idea:** Myths illustrate the values that are considered important to a society.

Question No: 17 (Marks: 5)
What is the difference between Skimming and Scanning?

**Answer:**
Skimming and scanning are very important reading techniques. In short, skimming refers to looking through material quickly to gather a general sense of the ideas, information, or topic itself. When you skim, you read through an article three to four times faster than when you read each word. Scanning refers to reading through material to find specific information. When you scan, you run your eyes over text or information to pull out specific words, phrases, or data.

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Question No: 11 (Marks: 2)
What is the line in the 'line graph' going from top to bottom at the left-most side called?

**Answer:** vertical axis

Question No: 12 (Marks: 2)
What is the purpose of coordinating conjunction in a sentence?

**Answer:**
**Coordinating Conjunctions**
The short, simple conjunctions are called "coordinating conjunctions":
- and, but, or, nor, for, yet, so
A coordinating conjunction joins parts of a sentence (for example words or independent clauses) that are grammatically equal or similar. A coordinating conjunction shows that the elements it joins are similar in importance and structure:

**Question No: 13** (Marks: 3)
Recall your memory about ‘Making inferences’ and identify the statements as True/False.
1. When the meaning of a word is not implied by the general sense of its context or by examples, it may be implied by an antonym or by a contrasting thought in a context. **True**
2. A paragraph without a topic sentence may have an implied main idea. **False**
3. A paragraph without a topic sentence does not have supporting details. **True**

**Question No: 14** (Marks: 3)
Read the following text and state the main idea of the passage.
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1. I love high heels but they’re rather _un_practical_.
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3. It is _im_polite_ to point at people.
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5. It’s totally ____ir_rational___, but I’m frightened of mice.

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**Question No: 17** (Marks: 5)
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Dogs are good for children because they teach children to be responsible. Children who have to feed the dog and perform other works related to dogs, learn to be responsible for the life of another being. Cats also teach children responsibility, and along with this, children who own a cat learn about independence since cats are quick to teach this. Rabbits teach children about having babies because as anyone who has owned more than
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► inspect
► announce

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► down
► up
► off
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-ed ►
-ing ►
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Past ►

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Agreed ►
Pretended ►
Wanted ►
Bothered ►

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If you get fired from your job, you can infer that:
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You will never get ► a job again
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You might get a raise. ►

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ingratiating ►
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sedulous ►
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Read the statements and identify them as Fact/Opinion.
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3. Before electricity, many people burnt candles to give them light.
4. Jumping rope is a form of exercise.

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2. These numbers have been ----- wrong. (add)
3. My brother has never ----- wine. (drink)
4. I have never ---- so sick before. (feel)

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2. In 1943, the extraordinary Jacques Cousteau invented an improved diving suit that allowed divers to descend 500 feet below the surface of the ocean; nowadays, that suit is usually referred to as a scuba suit.
3. Richard Rodriguez writes movingly about his personal struggle to honor his Spanish-speaking parents and still excel at speaking English.

**Question No: 14 (Marks: 3)**

**Fill in the blanks with participle.**

1. She has --- two tickets to the show. (request)
2. I have --- about it for a long time. (think)
3. The money was --- in the bank. (put)
4. Have you been ----? (hurt)
5. The paper will have to be ------. (redo)
6. Mike has already ---- that article. (read)

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When aging parents need help, it puts a tremendous weight on their adult children. The situation is particularly difficult if the parent does not live nearby. To handle such difficult situations, some health experts advise adult children to investigate community resources such as Meals on Wheels. Another suggestion is to rotate care among other family members. Sometimes the problem can be alleviated by having the parent move closer. It is also essential to assess the parent's actual needs.

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The UConn women basketball team's perfect season ___________ in a championship win over Tennessee.
► fulminated
► fomented
► culminated
► alleviated

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Fill in the blank with correct option.

A kind of ___________ seemed to occur when David graduated from high school. He became a serious student all of a sudden.
► milieu
► metamorphosis
► epithet
► accolade

Question No: 3 (Marks: 1)
Which one of the following statements expresses fact?

► Professor Ahmad khan argues that the effect of carbon emissions on the surrounding environment will only get worse.
► This product might cause stomach upset for some people in years to come.
► In 2005, Brazil and FC Barcelona star Ronaldinho was named FIFA World Footballer of The Year.
► Local councilors should spend more time listening to residents and less time listening to each other.

Question No: 4 (Marks: 1)
Choose the best meaning/definition for the highlighted word.

Santos knew that the reading class would improve his vocabulary and comprehension, thus increasing his chances of success in subsequent college courses.
► less important
► out of order
► following
► first

Question No: 5 (Marks: 1)
Which one of these means ‘a loose garment’?

► Cloak
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► huge appetite for herbs
► good looks
► mistakes
► intelligence

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- I stopped at the store for a snack, since I was ahead of everyone else.

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She brought..... the deal even though nobody thought she was capable of doing it.

- off
- in
- out
- down

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- lethargic
- soporific
- hyperbolic
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- Fill out
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3. We turned the wrong direction and got lost.

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Underline two synonyms in each sentence.

1. Irma thinks you are very well informed, but Shelly believes you don’t know what you’re talking about.
2. Kerry gave a triumphant shout to celebrate our team’s victorious record.
3. I couldn’t recall her name and I don’t even remember where we met.
4. Chris wasn’t in his seat when the teacher passed out the morning assignment. He was tardy as usual. Then he missed the bus and was late for supper.
5. George was demanded to confess his guilt. The other kids knew that George would never admit that he had done wrong.

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In 1828, baby Leo was born into the rich and powerful Tolstoy family of Central Russia. He would grow up to write two of the greatest novels in the history of literature and inspire social reform that would make an impact on the world. Not just another Russian author, Leo Tolstoy was a teacher, a philosopher, and the grandfather of non-violent revolution.

Tolstoy was an unsettled young man. He was a poor student who left his university when he could find no meaning in his studies. He joined the army but could not endure the violence and soon left that as well. By this time, Tolstoy was being noticed as a writer but he still felt unfulfilled. It was during this time that Tolstoy wrote his most famous books, ‘War and Peace’ and ‘Anna Karenina’. In them, Tolstoy offered a new kind of fiction to Russian readers. He described events and characters so detailed and convincing that they blurred the line between the imaginary and real life. In Tolstoy’s version, it was not great leaders that moved history, but the common people. His work has been called, "not art, but a piece of life."

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Our investigation will reveal the truth.

► conceal
► expose
► inspect
► announce

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Fill in the blank with the most suitable phrasal verb.
The weather brought my cold......

► down
► up
► off
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Which suffix can correctly be added to the root word 'electric' to make a new word?

► ed
► ian
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► y

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► assist
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- sedulous
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_____ the men _____ their supervisor is to be blamed for the mishap.
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Read the statements and identify them as Fact/Opinion.
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Fill in the blanks with participle.
1. The story was ---- by the librarian. (read)
2. These numbers have been ----- wrong. (add)
3. My brother has never ----- wine. (drink)
4. I have never ---- so sick before. (feel)

Question No: 13  ( Marks: 3 )

Identify the following statements as F for fact, O for opinion or B for a blend of both.

1. Victor Emmanuel II was the first king to rule over a united Italy; he was also a madman, who had his toenail clippings edged in gold and encrusted in diamonds. Then he would give the clippings to palace favorites.
2. In 1943, the extraordinary Jacques Cousteau invented an improved diving suit that allowed divers to descend 500 feet below the surface of the ocean; nowadays, that suit is usually referred to as a scuba suit.
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1. She has --- two tickets to the show. (request)
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When aging parents need help, it puts a tremendous weight on their adult children. The situation is particularly difficult if the parent does not live nearby. To handle such difficult situations, some health experts advise adult children to investigate community resources such as Meals on Wheels. Another suggestion is to rotate care among other family members. Sometimes the problem can be alleviated by having the parent move closer. It is also essential to assess the parent's actual needs.

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Parking against the flow of traffic is prohibited at all times at "Dalton State College".

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People have to pay fines at Business Office in the Westcott Building, if they break the traffic rules implied by the registrant of Dalton State College.

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Read the cause in the given situation and choose the effect.
She was in a hurry riding her bike, so she carried her viola across the handlebars. She failed to see the rock on the street in front of her.

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► The viola did not fall off the bike.
► The rock did not get in the girl's way.
► The girl fell off of her bike.
► The girl got off her bike to take a break.

Question No: 2  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Fill in the blank with appropriate connector.
__________ other mollusks, the oyster reproduces by eggs.

► Regarding
► As to
► Like
► With

Question No: 3  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Which one of the following cannot be used for the suffix -ion?

► Put-
► exhaust-
► correct-
► collect-

Question No: 4  (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Choose the best meaning of highlighted words in the sentence.

Reforestation will help to restore our environment.

► cutting down trees will help to recover the environment.
► planting trees again will replenish our environment.
► forests should be cut to improve the worsening environmental pollution
cutting down trees will further help to worsen the environment.

**Question No: 5  ( Marks: 1 )  - Please choose one**

Complete the sentence by choosing the best option. /pair of connectives.
James usually has his lunch at this restaurant _____ sometimes he eats elsewhere.

- if
- either
- neither
- but

**Question No: 6  ( Marks: 1 )  - Please choose one**

Complete the sentence by choosing the best option.
It was an expensive vase _____ they bought it to please their mother.

- either
- neither
- but
- or

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Read the statement carefully and choose ‘inference’ from the given options.
If you see someone fall off of their bike, you can infer that:

- It’s a new bike.
- They weren’t wearing helmet.
- They have never ridden a bike before.
- They have lost their balance.

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Choose the best meaning for the word underlined. vuhelp

Being unable to write clearly is a liability in a business career. In business, one must often express opinions and ideas in writing.

- surprise
- necessity
- drawback
- penalty

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Choose the best meaning for the word underlined.

By giving military aid to dictatorships in Latin America, the United States has seemed to sanction their cruel policies.

- create
- remember
- criticize
- approve

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Complete the sentence by choosing the correct option.

“Oh, dear! I have left _____ my purse _____ keys in the other bag,” said Seema.
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What is the line in the ‘line graph’ going from top to bottom at the left-most side called?

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What is the purpose of coordinating conjunction in a sentence?

Question No: 13 (Marks: 3)

Recall your memory about ‘Making inferences’ and identify the statements as True/False.

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Read the following text and state the main idea of the passage.

To many parents, the infant's crying may be mainly an irritation, especially if it continues for long periods. But crying serves important functions for the child as well as for the parents. For the child, crying helps improve lung capacity and the respiratory system. Perhaps more important, the cry serves as a signal of distress. When babies cry, they indicate that they are hungry or in pain, and this is important information for parents.
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3. It is ___ polite to point at people.
4. It was ___ possible to sleep because of the noise.
5. It’s totally ___ rational, but I'm frightened of mice.

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Is there any one day of the year you dread? For some people, it is their birthday. After all, a birthday is a reminder that we are getting older. Others are anxious as April 15 approaches. This is the day that federal taxes are due. For others, the most feared day is Friday the 13th. On this day, wedding chapels are usually shut down. Toy stores sell out Ouija boards. Travel is down, especially on airplanes. And people have been known to stay in their house the entire day rather than risk anything happening to them.

Question No: 17  (Marks: 5)

Read this paragraph and identify the main idea.

Dogs are good for children because they teach children to be responsible. Children who have to feed the dog and perform other works related to dogs, learn to be responsible for the life of another being. Cats also teach children responsibility, and along with this, children who own a cat learn about independence since cats are quick to teach this. Rabbits teach children about having babies because as anyone who has owned more than one rabbit knows; they have a lot of babies. Snakes, rats, fish and gerbils are also good to teach children about cleanliness and proper bathing habits. Most pets teach children valuable lessons.
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At Dalton State College, the registrant of a motor vehicle is held responsible for the safe and prudent operating and proper parking of his or her vehicle regardless of who may be the operator. Curbs painted in yellow are no parking areas. Parking against the flow of traffic is prohibited at all times. Vehicles parked on campus after school hours may be towed away. All faculty and staff reserved parking areas will be painted in red. Fines will be paid at the Business Office in the Westcott Building. Speed limits are as posted. There is no parking at anytime on College Drive. Decals are not transferable.

Q1. Choose the sentence that best states the implied main idea.

Parking against the flow of traffic is prohibited at all times at "Dalton State College".

Q2. Why people have to pay fines at Business Office in the Westcott Building?

People have to pay fines at Business Office in the Westcott Building, if they break the traffic rules implied by the registrant of Dalton State College.

Q3. Suggest a suitable topic for the passage.

Suitable topic for the passage.

Parking rules during college hours.