

APTITUDE TEST IN ENGLISH - 3

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Aptitude Test - 1

Time: 30 min

ENGLISH / STD +2 Onwards

Marks: 10X 5 = 50

1 Choose the word that is most opposite meaning.

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| 1. Overpower | (a) lose | (b) surrender | (c) weaken | (d) free |
| 2. Specious | (a) implausible | (b) unworthy | (c) narrow | (d) unclear |
| 3. Discreet | (a) foolish | (b) inattentive | (c) tactless | (d) separate |
| 4. Indignant | (a) joyful | (b) bright | (c) healthy | (d) separate |
| 5. Contemplative | (a) unwise | (b) thoughtless | (c) active | (d) practical |

2 Choose the word that is closest in meaning.

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| 1. Minion | (a) a pet | (b) slave | (c) small quantity | (d) servant |
| 2. Vanquish | (a) put out | (b) abandon | (c) replace | (d) conquer |
| 3. Brag | (a) cry | (b) boast | (c) abuse | (d) hate |
| 4. Mollify | (a) rub | (b) wet | (c) soften | (d) quicken |
| 5. Salve | (a) soothe | (b) postpone | (c) give up | (d) avoid |

3 Choose from the four alternatives the words which best complete the sentence

- The building was so full of that the firemen could not get inside.
(a) some smoke (b) the smoke (c) a smoke (d) smoke
- She was extremely naughty and always some mischief or other.
(a) in for (b) up to (c) up at (d) out for
- You won't tell them what has happened, ?
(a) won't you (b) wouldn't you (c) isn't you (d) will you
- If she were selected, she a good secretary.
(a) will make (b) can make (c) would make (d) would have made
- We have been trying to solve the problem
(a) since 2 days (b) during 2 days (c) for 2 days (d) from two days

4 Correct the sentence or justify if there is no error.

- She explained to me when I called her that as she had no time to write, she had sent a verbal message to me.
- He told me triumphantly that he had read almost each book of the college library.
- If I had bought a diamond bracelet they would have thought that I was a millionaire.
- I'd like to complement you on your excellent taste in clothes.
- One of my friend has own a scholarship and will soon be leaving for the USA.

5 Distinguish between the words.

- beside, besides
- economic, economical
- censer, censor, censure

6 Give the phonetic transcription for the following words.

- (a) happy (b) writer (c) game (d) negotiable (e) argue

7. Use the following phrasal verbs in sentence of your own

1. Add up to 2. Be out to 3. Get it up 4. Own up 5. Plough on

8 Write a few lines (100 words) about the given proverb.

A drowning man will catch at a straw.

9 Make a precise of the following passage.

A life of action and danger moderates the dread of death. It not only gives us fortitude to bear pain, but teaches us at every step the precarious tenure on which we hold our present being. Sedentary and studious men are the most apprehensive on this score. Dr. Johnson was an instance in point. A few years seemed to him soon over, compared with those sweeping contemplations on time and infinity with which he had been used to pose himself. In the still life of a man of letters there was no obvious reason for a change. He might sit in an arm chair and pour out cups of tea to all eternity would it had been possible for him to do so. The most rational cure after all for the inordinate fear of death is to set a just value on life. If we mere wish to continue on the scene to indulge our head-strong humour and tormenting passions, we had better be gone at once,; and if we only cherish a fondness for existence according to the good we desire from it, the pang we feel at parting which it will not be very server.

9 Write on the unemployment problem (about 200 words)

Aptitude Test - 2

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1 Choose the word that is most opposite meaning.

1. **Apparent** (a) cloudy (b) complex (c) uncertain (d) factual
 2. **Debase** (a) create (b) generate (c) steady (d) improve
 3. **Ecstasy** (a) unhappiness (b) regret (c) grief (d) depression
 4. **Subliminal** (a) obvious (b) calculated (c) deserted (d) conscious
 5. **Occidental** (a) oriental (b) accidental (c) coincidental (d) confidential

2 Choose the word that is closest in meaning.

1. **Neophyte** (a) fanatic (b) beginner (c) unbalanced (d) quarrelsome
 2. **Teem** (a) grow (b) meet (c) abound (d) join
 3. **Homily** (a) proverb (b) sermon (c) folk tale (d) short story
 4. **Salubrious** (a) sticky (b) soft (c) famous (d) wholesome
 5. **Refulgent** (a) angry (b) deep red (c) very bright (d) sad

3 Choose from the four alternatives the words which best complete the sentence.

1. No one could understand
 (a) what did he say (b) what was he saying (c) what he did say (d) what he was saying
 2. Last week there were five traffic but only two people were hurt.
 (a) incidents (b) accidents (c) situations (d) collisions
 3. The fear of high places quite common.
 (a) are (b) are being (c) were (d) is

4. In the attack the enemy were completely wiped
- (a) off (b) away (c) over (d) out
5. Which sentence is punctuated correctly?
- (a) The news, that he was dead, was untrue. (b) The news, that he was dead was untrue.
(c) The news that, he was dead, was untrue. (d) The news that he was dead was untrue.
- 4 Correct the sentence or justify if there is no error.**
1. On receiving the marks-sheet from the university I realized that I had got only passing marks in English.
 2. It was only on reading this morning's newspaper that we came to know that two third of the village was under water.
 3. I did not believe the agent when he said that I could not imagine a best place than the one he was taking us to.
 4. Hundreds of students give the IAS examination every year, usually in the month of November.
 5. Little more than two months have passed before my last experience of the supernatural.
- 5 Distinguish between the words.**
1. adapt, adopt, adept 2. admit, confess 3. assay, essay
- 6 Give the phonetic transcription for the following words.**
- (a) take (b) cool (c) steal (d) screw (e) article
- 7 Use the following phrasal verbs in sentence of your own**
1. Bail out of 2. Die off 3. Keep up 4. Ship out 5. Fall off
- 8 Write a few lines (100 words) about the given proverb.**
- Better pass a danger once than be always in fear.

9 Make a precise of the following passage.

When we survey our lives and efforts we soon observe that almost the whole of our actions and desires are bound up with the existence of other human beings. We notice that whole nature resembles that of the social animals. We eat food that others have produced, wear clothes that others have made, live in houses that others have built. The greater part of our knowledge and beliefs has been passed on to us by other people though the medium of a language which others have created. Without language and mental capacities, we would have been poor indeed comparable to higher animals. We have, therefore, to admit that we owe our principal knowledge over the least to the fact of living in human society. The individual if left alone from birth would remain primitive and beast like in his thoughts and feelings to a degree that we can hardly imagine. The individual is what he is and has the significance that he has, not much in virtue of the individuality, but rather as a member of a great human community, which directs his material and spiritual existence from the cradle to grave.

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