

## VERBAL TEST PAPER 1

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**Directions for questions 1 to 4 : Each questions has a set of four statements. Each consists of 3 segments. Choose the best alternative where the third segment in the statement can be logically deduced from the preceding two segments.**

1. A. Internet is for nerds. Shyam is a nerd. Internet is for Shyam.  
 B. Intelligence is for wise men. Some people are wise. Intelligence is for people.  
 C. Capital punishment is for killers. Ravan is a killer. Capital punishment is for Ravan.  
 D. Liquor is for drinking. Juice is for drinking. Some liquor is juice.

A only       D only       A&C       A&B

2. A. No R is P ; All Y is R; No Y is P.  
 B. No R is P ;All Y is R; All Y is P  
 C. Some R is not P; Some Y is R ; Some Y is not P.  
 D. Some R is not P; All Y is R ; All Y is not P.

C only       A&B       A only       D only

3. A. Some oranges are sour. This fruit is an orange. This fruit is sour.  
 B. Sheela is a nurse. All nurses are healthy women. Radha is a healthy woman.  
 C. Army officers are tall. Airforce officers are tall. Military officers are tall.  
 D. No animal likes fire. Elephants are animals. Elephants do not like fire.

B only       D only       C only       A& D

4. A. Some babies are boys; Some boys are fathers; Some babies are fathers.  
 B. Some films are books; Some books are good; Some films are good.  
 C. Some fruits are sweet; Some mangoes are sweet; Some fruits are mangoes.  
 D. Some mothers have babies; Some babies are boys; Some mothers have boys.

B only       A&C       D only       None.

**Directions for questions 5 to 9: In each of the following questions a phrase is underlined. There are four different ways of phrasing the underlined part. Choose the best alternative.**

5. I think Rahul had something vital to say, however he was unable to explain his viewpoint to a skeptical audience.

He did not change the minds of a conversant public.  
 The people were willing to accept his views.  
 He failed to convince a suspicious congregation  
 He could not convince the doubting audience.

6. In the twentieth century mental elite assumed that economic and cultural modernization was leading to the decay of religion as a determinant in human existence.

Total decay of religion as a determinant.  
 Withering away of religion as a significant element.  
 Humanization of religion.

Debasement of religion.

7. British Aerospace had been focusing on building European links.

- Stressing on building European links.
- Focusing on forging European links.
- Pursuing ways of building European connectivity.
- Concentrating on creating European links.

8. Impromptu recognition from supervisors and managers to employees is the most effective and inexpensive method available for sustaining personal interest and individual effort for continued quality progress.

- Immediate appreciation from supervisors and managers in management.
- Unobstructed showing of praises from supervisors and managers.
- Impromptu recognition from supervisors and managers.
- Free recognition from immediate superiors.

9. Bureaucrats may also be well advised to deal with Service Headquarters as representatives of the government and not behave as their bosses.

- May also be well advised.
- Should know their limits when they have.
- May have to remember.
- May need to learn how.

**Directions for questions 10 to 19: Each of the questions has part/parts left blank. There are 4 different ways of completing the sentence. Choose the best alternative.**

10. To pursue their decision to resist what they saw as anti- labor acts, the employees' union launched an agitation to \_\_\_\_\_

- affirm their responsibility to the country.
- prove their strength.
- bring down the central government.
- exhibit their virility.

11. The best general characterization of the European philosophical tradition as it has developed upto now, with all its variety, is that it consists of a \_\_\_\_\_ Plato.

- series of footnotes to
- set of prologues to
- series of chapters on
- string of commentaries on

12. The ideas that these companies used seem so clear with \_\_\_\_\_ that their rivals will now \_\_\_\_\_ themselves for not thinking of them first.

- technology, hit
- new ideas, disparage
- the passage of time, curse
- hindsight, kick

13. In our country, the challenges are to raise \_\_\_\_\_ incomes to reduce poverty, and to \_\_\_\_\_ ailing enterprises.

- farm, liberalize
- middle-class, privatize
- workers', suppress
- rural, restructure

14. Overall, the recent policy changes by the government only amount to a \_\_\_\_\_ in the sugar industry.

- superficial attempt at liberalization
- lack of solution
- large change
- small regulating authority

15. The world is moving into a period of 'civilisational clash' in which the primary identification of people will not be \_\_\_\_\_ as during the Cold War, but \_\_\_\_\_

- religious, technological
- cultural, ethnic
- political, economic
- ideological, cultural

16. The internet represents that awkward \_\_\_\_\_ in all communication systems; while it \_\_\_\_\_ to bring us together, it keeps us apart.

- paradox, tries
- irony, intends
- paradox, needs
- irony, wishes

17. These stories are just a few of the \_\_\_\_\_, sometimes extraordinary ones in this volume, in which people face unbelievable odds\_ and \_\_\_\_\_!

- abhorrent, fly
- creative, die
- inspiring, lose
- inspiring, win

18. The dream of flying had \_\_\_\_\_ inventors since the ancient Greeks and Chinese, though most of those who attempted to create wings for themselves were considered \_\_\_\_\_

- revived, strange
- troubled, insomniacs
- attracted, oddballs
- repulsed, demi-gods

19. Unable to contain their \_\_\_\_\_ and amazement at the end of the performance, the audience burst into \_\_\_\_\_, and showed no signs of stopping.

- excitement, cheers

- frustration, song
- envy, flames
- delight, tears

**Directions for questions 20 to 30 : In each of the following sentences, four words or phrases are underlined. You should choose the one word or phrase which would be not appropriate in standard written English. Mark(5) if you think that the sentence has no error.**

20. Thirty liters of fuel do not seem to be sufficient for the distance to be covered.
- Thirty liters
  - do
  - seem
  - for
  - none of the above
21. The hardest part of the job is the bending once a minute and then lifting the weight.
- hardest
  - job
  - is the bending
  - lifting the
  - none of the above
22. The minute they came to know that their chief was issued a charge sheet, the entire group of workers went on a boycott.
- minute
  - came to know
  - issued a charge
  - went on a boycott
  - none of the above
23. Since I had forgotten all my mathematical concepts I had to start from the scratch.
- I had
  - all my
  - I had
  - the scratch
  - none of the above
24. Modi has recently been selected the representative to the SriLanka.
- been
  - selected
  - the
  - the SriLanka
  - none of the above
25. Having laid the magazine on the desk, she went out the door.
- laid
  - on
  - went out
  - the
  - none of the above

26. She nearly blushed until she was pink.
- nearly
  - until
  - was
  - pink
  - none of the above
27. Our writing, like our speech, is the sign of our ability to communicate.
- like
  - speech
  - is
  - sign
  - none of the above
28. When you have completed the last topic of the book, please return it to the bookroom.
- have
  - completed
  - the
  - it
  - none of the above
29. His report, including thorough notes on the background investigation, were well received.
- including
  - thorough notes
  - the background
  - were
  - none of the above
30. This is one of the four primary libraries that are supported by our organization.
- this is
  - one of the
  - libraries
  - that are
  - none of the above

### Explanation to Paper I

- 1] A & C **Hence, [3]**
- 2] A only **Hence [3]**
- 3] D only **Hence [2]**
- 4] D only **Hence [3]**
- 5] He could not convince the doubting audience. **Hence [4]**
- 6] Withering away of religion as a significant element. **Hence [2]**
- 7] Concentrating on creating European links. **Hence [4]**
- 8] Spontaneous recognition from supervisors and managers. **Hence [3]**
- 9] May also be well advised. **Hence [1]**

- 10] Demonstrate their strength. **Hence [2]**
- 11] String of commentaries on .**Hence [4]**
- 12] The passage of time, curse. **Hence [3]**
- 13] Rural, restructure **Hence [4]**
- 14] Superficial attempt at liberalisation. **Hence [1]**
- 15] Ideological, cultural. **Hence [4]**
- 16] Irony, intends **Hence [2]**
- 17] Inspiring, win **Hence [4]**
- 18] Fascinated, oddballs. **Hence [3]**
- 19] Excitement, applause. **Hence [1]**
- 20] 2, does not
- 21] 5
- 22] 4, drop 'a'
- 23] 4, drop 'the'
- 24] 3, drop 'the'
- 25] 5
- 26] 1, was nearly pink
- 27] 5
- 28] 4, the book
- 39] 4, was
- 30] 5