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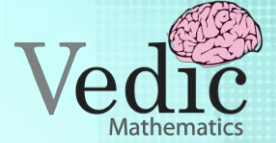
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**Direction:**

The following questions, you have several passages where some of the words have been left out. Read the passages carefully and choose the correct answer to each blanks with its particular number, out of the five alternatives.

**PASSAGE**

After ten years of \_\_\_\_ (1) \_\_\_\_ inflation, prices have hiked 7.5% in the third week of July. This looks scary—after all, Indians had got used to prices crawling up by 2% in the last two years, and a 10-year average inflation rate of about 5%—but you shouldn't worry. This burst of inflation is the result of three factors that have come together unexpectedly, are unlikely to \_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_ for long and are unlikely to \_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_ up together again: a \_\_\_\_ (n) \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_ rise in global oil prices, a monsoon that arrived late and a spike in global metal prices. North Sea crude has crossed \$42 per barrel, driven up by low petroleum \_\_\_\_ (5) \_\_\_\_ and soaring demand in the US as war production heats up. Oil markets are also spooked by the \_\_\_\_ (6) \_\_\_\_ of Russian oil supplies falling on the back of the YukosSibneft probe. There's little that the government can do to \_\_\_\_ (7) \_\_\_\_ users from soaring oil prices—indeed, it shouldn't, if it wants to \_\_\_\_ (8) \_\_\_\_ efficiency. Higher transport costs have pushed up rates of vegetables and fruits. Farm produce could also get affected by rains that arrived too late for kharif sowing. China is \_\_\_\_ (9) \_\_\_\_ up steel and other metals from all over the world to \_\_\_\_ (10) \_\_\_\_ a construction boom ahead of the 2008 Olympics, making metal prices soar all over the world, and sparking inflation in India.

**1) Find the blank (1)?**

- a) mere                      b) moderate  
c) retarding                d) vehement  
e) dull

**2) Find the blank (2)?**

- a) obstinate                b) constitute                c) persist  
d) repeat                    e) normalise

**3) Find the blank (3)?**

- a) go                          b) scramble                    c) mount  
d) yield                      e) crop

**4) Find the blank (4)?**

- a) sustained                      b) suspicious  
c) horrific                        d) erratic  
e) favourable

**5) Find the blank (5)?**

- a) lists                        b) trades                        c) services  
d) inventories                e) details

**6) Find the blank (6)?**

- a) prospect                      b) progress  
c) view                         d) extent  
e) deposit

**7) Find the blank (7)?**

- a) support                      b) ignore  
c) propel                        d) prolong  
e) insulate

**8) Find the blank (8)?**

- a) position                      b) promote  
c) process                        d) pass  
e) form

**9) Find the blank (9)?**

- a) hurrying                      b) passing                      c) pairing  
d) gobbling                      e) throwing

**10) Find the blank (10)?**

- a) keep                        b) make                        c) feed  
d) grow                        e) fight

**PASSAGE**

The major central banks' \_\_\_\_ (1) \_\_\_\_ negligent pursuit of positive but low inflation has become a dangerous \_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_ delusion. It is dangerous because the policies needed to achieve the objective could have unwanted side effects; and it is a delusion because there is





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currently no good reason to be pursuing the objective in the first place. In the 1970s, when inflation in the advanced economies rose sharply, central banks rightly \_\_\_(3)\_\_\_adhere it. The lesson central bankers took from that battle was that low inflation is a necessary condition for sustained growth. But, subtly and over time, this lesson has \_\_\_(4)\_\_\_morphed into a belief that low inflation is also a sufficient condition for sustained growth. That change may have been due to the benign economic conditions that accompanied the period of disinflation from the late 1980s to 2007, commonly \_\_\_(5)\_\_\_suppress to as the "Great Moderation." For central bankers, it was comforting to believe that they had reduced inflation by controlling demand, and that their policies had many beneficial side effects for the economy. After all, this was the demand-oriented \_\_\_(6)\_\_\_refrain they had used to justify tight money to begin with. But then the world changed. From the late 1980s onward, low inflation was largely due to positive supply-side shocks – such as the Baby Boomer-fueled expansion of the labor force and the \_\_\_(7)\_\_\_hostility of many emerging countries into the global trading system. These forces boosted growth while lowering inflation. And monetary policy, far from restricting demand, was generally focused on preventing below-target inflation. As we now know, that led to a period of easy monetary conditions, which, together with financial deregulation and technological developments, \_\_\_(8)\_\_\_sowed the seeds of the 2007 financial crisis and the ensuing recession. The fundamental analytical error then – as it still is today – was a failure to \_\_\_(9)\_\_\_degrade between alternative sources of disinflation. The end of the Great \_\_\_(10)\_\_\_indulgence should have disabused policymakers of their belief that low inflation guarantees future economic stability. If anything, the opposite has been true. Having doubled down on their inflation targets, central banks have had to rely on an unprecedented array of untested policy instruments to achieve their goals.

11) Which of the following words fits gap (1)?

- a) breach
- b) antagonization
- c) vigilant
- d) impulsive
- e) No correction required.

12) Which of the following words fits gap (2)?

- a) discreet
- b) surefire
- c) withdrawal
- d) humble
- e) No correction required

13) Which of the following words fits gap (3)?

- a) attentive
- b) intensity
- c) conviction
- d) resisted
- e) No correction required.

14) Which of the following words fits gap (4)?

- a) authoritativeness
- b) outrageousness
- c) credence
- d) dogmatism
- e) No correction required.

15) Which of the following words fits gap (5)?

- a) staunchness
- b) referred
- c) intemperance
- d) assent
- e) No correction required.

16) Which of the following words fits gap (6)?

- a) narrative
- b) steadiness
- c) acquiesce
- d) wildness
- e) No correction required.

17) Which of the following words fits gap (7)?

- a) debase
- b) alienation
- c) integration
- d) inhibit
- e) No correction required.

18) Which of the following words fits gap (8)?

- a) inevitability
- b) knuckle
- c) bidding
- d) belittle
- e) No correction required

19) Which of the following words fits gap (9)?

- a) accede
- b) disunity
- c) forbear
- d) distinguish
- e) No correction required







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**20) Which of the following words fits gap (10)?**

- a) prevent                      b) withholding  
c) schism                      d) Moderation  
e) No correction required

**PASSAGE**

Many parents greet their children's teenage years with needless dread. While teens \_\_\_\_ (1) \_\_\_\_ assault use with heavy-metal music, \_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_ outlandish clothes and spend all \_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_ time with friends, such behavior \_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_ adds upto full-scale revolt. Teenage \_\_\_\_ (5) \_\_\_\_, according to psychologist. Laurence Steinberg, has been \_\_\_\_ (6) \_\_\_\_ exaggerated. Sociologist Sanford Dornbusch agrees. "The \_\_\_\_ (7) \_\_\_\_ that teenagers inevitably rebel is a \_\_\_\_ (8) \_\_\_\_ that has the potential for great family \_\_\_\_ (9) \_\_\_\_," says Dornbusch. He believes the notion can \_\_\_\_ (10) \_\_\_\_ communication during this critical time for parents to influence youngsters.

**21) Find the missing word for the blank (1)?**

- a) can                      b) must                      c) may                      d) should

**22) Find the missing word for the blank (2)?**

- a) show                      b) dress                      c) put                      d) flaunt

**23) Find the missing word for the blank (3)?**

- a) her                      b) his                      c) their                      d) our

**24) Find the missing word for the blank (4)?**

- a) sporadically                      b) always  
c) infrequently                      d) scarcely

**25) Find the missing word for the blank (5)?**

- a) rebellion                      b) subversion  
c) mania                      d) revolution

**26) Find the missing word for the blank (6)?**

- a) always                      b) never                      c) greatly                      d) hardly

**27) Find the missing word for the blank (7)?**

- a) complaint                      b) surmise

c) accusation

d) idea

**28) Find the missing word for the blank (8)?**

- a) myth                      b) story  
c) fact                      d) reality

**29) Find the missing word for the blank (9)?**

- a) ruin                      b) downfall  
c) harm                      d) defeat

**30) Find the missing word for the blank (10)?**

- a) destroy                      b) suffocate  
c) damage                      d) injure

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**PASSAGE**

In the past, it was thought learning knowledge took place in school and for some also in further education. Then it was a matter of \_\_\_\_ (1) \_\_\_\_ practical skills at work at the beginning of a career, and with a bit of luck that \_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_ it. Now things have changed. Global competition is \_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_ the shelf-life of products and the knowledge and skills that \_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_ behind them. The pace of change can be \_\_\_\_ (5) \_\_\_\_ Knowledge that was leading edge at one minute can become \_\_\_\_ (6) \_\_\_\_ the next. Therefore, it is the \_\_\_\_ (7) \_\_\_\_ rather than knowledge that is the key. Successful organizations have to learn, adapt and change continuously as do the \_\_\_\_ (8) \_\_\_\_ within them. This is \_\_\_\_ (9) \_\_\_\_ in the rapid growth of knowledge workers. It is \_\_\_\_ (10) \_\_\_\_ all levels of organizations.

**31) Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill the blank with number (1)?**

- a) fostering                      b) projecting





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- c) acquiring  
e) culminating

- d) manipulating

**32) Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill the blank with number (2)?**

- a) for                      b) was                      c) from  
d) with                    e) may

**33) Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill the blank with number (3)?**

- a) replacing                      b) retailing  
c) rotating                      d) re-regulating  
e) reducing

**34) Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill the blank with number (4)?**

- a) lie                      b) profess                      c) exhibit  
d) manifest                    e) express

**35) Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill the blank with number (5)?**

- a) analytical                      b) absorbing  
c) interesting                      d) frightening  
e) valuable

**36) Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill the blank with number (6)?**

- a) critical                      b) obsolete  
c) modern                      d) devastating  
e) lamentable

**37) Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill the blank with number (7)?**

- a) durability                      b) reactivity  
c) activity                      d) proactivity  
e) capacity

**38) Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill the blank with number (8)?**

- a) systems                      b) managements  
c) processes                      d) individuals  
e) units

**39) Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill the blank with number (9)?**

- a) echoed                      b) supported  
c) adjusted                      d) provided  
e) developed

**40) Choose the correct answer from the given options to fill the blank with number (10)?**

- a) directing                      b) providing  
c) affecting                      d) questioning  
e) projecting

**PASSAGE**

Broadly speaking letters may be said to \_\_\_\_ (1) \_\_\_\_ into two classes: the formal and \_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_ Formal letters \_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_ of official or business matters and are \_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_ to an employer, officials of a department or institutions. Letters to the \_\_\_\_ (5) \_\_\_\_ of a newspaper also belong to this class. In fact all \_\_\_\_ (6) \_\_\_\_ using formal pattern is of this category. The \_\_\_\_ (7) \_\_\_\_ has to be precisely stated. It must be \_\_\_\_ (8) \_\_\_\_ in style and quite \_\_\_\_ (9) \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ (10) \_\_\_\_ element has any place in it.

**41) Which of the following words fits gap (1)?**

- a) describe                      b) fall  
c) escape                      d) rise

**42) Which of the following words fits gap (2)?**

- a) affectionate                      b) abusive  
c) personal                      d) flattering

**43) Which of the following words fits gap (3)?**

- a) consist                      b) apprise  
c) contain                      d) comprise

**44) Which of the following words fits gap (4)?**

- a) addressed                      b) prayed  
c) respected                      d) typed





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45) Which of the following words fits gap (5)?

- |             |              |
|-------------|--------------|
| a) printer  | b) publisher |
| c) salesman | d) editor    |

46) Which of the following words fits gap (6)?

- |                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| a) writings       | b) columns |
| c) correspondence | d) letters |

47) Which of the following words fits gap (7)?

- |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| a) language  | b) content   |
| c) criticism | d) objection |

48) Which of the following words fits gap (8)?

- |          |                |
|----------|----------------|
| a) lucid | b) florid      |
| c) high  | d) descriptive |

49) Which of the following words fits gap (9)?

- |             |               |
|-------------|---------------|
| a) creative | b) objective  |
| c) critical | d) subjective |

50) Which of the following words fits gap (10)?

- |              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| a) unifying  | b) divisive |
| c) malicious | d) personal |

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