



Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best arrangement of utterances or sentences to make a meaningful exchange or text in each of the following questions from 13 to 17.

**Question 13 [698850]:**

- a. John: Good morning, Lisa! How did the interview go?  
 b. John: That's great to hear! I wish you the best of luck with the results!  
 c. Lisa: Hi, John! It went well! I was nervous at first, but I think I answered most of the questions confidently.  
 A. c - a - b                      B. b - c - a                      C. c - b - a                      D. a - c - b

**Question 14 [698851]:**

- a. David: There was a session on solar energy innovations that blew my mind. The advancements in efficiency are incredible.  
 b. Sarah: That's great! What was the most interesting topic discussed?  
 c. David: I attended a conference on renewable energy last week. It was eye-opening.  
 d. David: Yes, I made some great connections. I even talked to a few industry experts about potential collaborations.  
 e. Sarah: I can imagine! Did you meet any interesting people at the conference?  
 A. c - e - d - b - a                      B. c - b - a - e - d                      C. a - e - c - b - d                      D. a - b - d - e - c

**Question 15 [698852]:**

Hi Leo,

- a. But I enjoyed watching those wonderful techniques.  
 b. Thanks for the chess lesson videos you sent me last week.  
 c. You know, we should play a match next weekend. What do you think?  
 d. I also wanted to thank you for recommending the chess apps – they're much better than the ones I've tried before.  
 e. It's really exciting to learn new strategies, but I'm currently focusing on improving my opening moves.  
 A. d - b - a - c - e                      B. b - e - a - d - c                      C. a - d - b - c - e                      D. c - a - d - b - e

**Question 16 [698853]:**

- a. While the long hours and debugging can be stressful, the sense of accomplishment when solving complex problems is incredibly rewarding.  
 b. Working remotely allows me to focus on coding without distractions and ensures that I can manage my time effectively.  
 c. For the past few years, I've worked on various projects, developing applications and solutions for a range of clients.  
 d. My interest in problem-solving and technology naturally led me to a fulfilling career as a software developer.  
 e. In conclusion, I'm very satisfied with my career in software development, as it aligns with my passion for technology and problem-solving.  
 A. c - a - d - b - e                      B. a - b - c - d - e                      C. b - c - d - a - e                      D. d - c - b - a - e

**Question 17 [698854]:**

- a. However, despite the economic boom, environmental concerns about beach erosion and overdevelopment remain prominent.  
 b. Once quiet, undeveloped beach areas along the coast have been replaced by luxury resorts and condos, marking a shift towards tourism and real estate development.  
 c. This boom in development has attracted international investors, leading to new hotels, restaurants, and tourist attractions.  
 d. The coastal city has undergone dramatic changes over the past few years.  
 e. The population has exploded as more people move to the area to work in the tourism and construction industries.  
 A. d - b - c - e - a                      B. d - c - a - b - e                      C. d - a - e - b - c                      D. d - e - b - c - a

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 18 to 22.**

The Amazon Rainforest, a vast tropical rainforest located in South America, (18) \_\_\_\_\_. It is home to an incredible variety of plant and animal species, many of which are still undiscovered. The forest is essential in regulating the Earth's climate and supporting biodiversity. Visitors to the Amazon can explore its unique ecosystem through guided tours.

The Amazon Rainforest is known for its rich biodiversity (19) \_\_\_\_\_. This vast natural area also plays a crucial role in the global climate system, producing 20% of the world's oxygen. It is a vital part of our planet's health and survival.

Many tourists visit the Amazon to experience its unique wildlife and lush landscapes. (20) \_\_\_\_\_. Additionally, indigenous communities living in the forest contribute to maintaining its ecological balance. Conservation efforts are crucial to protect the forest from deforestation and environmental threats.

Visited by thousands of eco-tourists every year, (21) \_\_\_\_\_. Its significance in global environmental health has prompted many international organizations to support its preservation. (22) \_\_\_\_\_. Efforts to promote sustainable tourism in the Amazon are helping to raise awareness about the importance of protecting this vital natural resource for future generations.

**Question 18 [698855]:**

- A. covers over 5.5 million square kilometers
- B. which covers over 5.5 million square kilometers
- C. covering over 5.5 million square kilometers
- D. from which the total area is 5.5 million square kilometers

**Question 19 [698856]:**

- A. consists of many species of animals, plants, and insects
- B. includes many species of animals, plants, and insects
- C. which includes many species of animals, plants, and insects
- D. in which many species of animals, plants, and insects

**Question 20 [698857]:**

- A. Offering a close-up view of this incredible ecosystem, visitors can enjoy activities like hiking, bird watching, and river tours
- B. This incredible ecosystem with its close-up view contributes to some activities like hiking, bird watching, and river tours
- C. A close-up view of this incredible ecosystem celebrates some activities like hiking, bird watching, and river tours
- D. Activities like hiking, bird watching, and river tours offer a close-up view of this incredible ecosystem

**Question 21 [698858]:**

- A. the Amazon Rainforest continues to be a key destination for nature lovers
- B. Nature lovers consider the Amazon Rainforest a popular destination
- C. an important destination for nature lovers is the Amazon Rainforest
- D. International organizations recognize the Amazon Rainforest as a crucial destination

**Question 22 [698859]:**

- A. Attracting not only tourists but also scientists, the local people can study its complex ecosystems
- B. This unique region not only attracts tourists but also scientists who study its complex ecosystems
- C. Tourists and scientists study its complex ecosystems so that this region is a unique destination
- D. As long as this unique region has complex ecosystems, tourists and scientists are attracted to study it

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions from 23 to 30.**

Water scarcity is becoming an increasing problem in many parts of the world. The lack of sufficient freshwater resources to meet the demands of a population has led to severe consequences, especially in arid and semi-arid regions. With growing urbanization, agriculture, and industrial development, the demand for water has

reached unprecedented levels, placing a strain on available supplies. The problem is **exacerbated** by climate change, which affects rainfall patterns and causes droughts in areas already vulnerable to water shortages.

In many countries, water scarcity is not just a natural issue but also a result of poor management of resources. Over-extraction of groundwater, pollution, and inefficient irrigation systems contribute to the depletion of water supplies. For instance, in parts of India, large quantities of groundwater are being extracted faster than they can be replenished, resulting in a drastic decline in water levels. Additionally, polluted water sources make it unsafe for consumption, which further limits access to clean water for millions of people.

Water scarcity affects more than just drinking water; **it** has a significant impact on agriculture, which relies heavily on water for irrigation. The inability to irrigate crops **properly** can lead to reduced food production, which can increase food prices and result in hunger. Unless countries implement better water management practices, such as improving irrigation efficiency and reducing waste, the situation will continue to worsen, making it harder to feed growing populations.

**To tackle the issue of water scarcity, countries and communities must adopt sustainable water management practices.** This includes investing in water conservation technologies, improving water storage systems, and addressing water pollution. International cooperation and awareness-raising campaigns are essential to ensure that everyone has access to this vital resource.

**Question 23 [698860]:** Which of the following is **NOT** mentioned as a factor contributing to water scarcity?

- A. urbanization  
B. infrastructure  
C. industrial development  
D. climate change

**Question 24 [698861]:** The word **exacerbated** in paragraph 1 is **OPPOSITE** in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. alleviated  
B. aggravated  
C. worsened  
D. exaggerated

**Question 25 [698862]:** The word **it** in paragraph 3 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. drinking water  
B. irrigation  
C. clean water  
D. water scarcity

**Question 26 [698863]:** The word **properly** in paragraph 3 could be best replaced by \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. immediately  
B. wastefully  
C. appropriately  
D. approximately

**Question 27 [698864]:** Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 4?

- A. Countries and communities should develop long-term strategies to preserve water resources for future generations.  
B. Nations and communities must implement sustainable water management practices to address the problem of water shortage.  
C. Tackling water scarcity effectively requires not only national efforts but also global collaboration to ensure the fair distribution of water resources.  
D. Overcoming the issue of water scarcity involves adopting practical measures to manage and conserve water supplies.

**Question 28 [698865]:** Which of the following is **TRUE** according to the passage?

- A. Water scarcity mainly affects coastal regions due to rising sea levels.  
B. Water scarcity can lead to an increase in both food prices and the risk of hunger.  
C. Over-extraction of groundwater is not a significant factor in water depletion.  
D. Only climate change affects the availability of water resources in vulnerable regions.

**Question 29 [698866]:** In which paragraph does the writer mention a conditional relationship?

- A. Paragraph 1  
B. Paragraph 2  
C. Paragraph 3  
D. Paragraph 4

**Question 30 [698867]:** In which paragraph does the writer provide an example of a country facing water scarcity issues?

- A. Paragraph 1  
B. Paragraph 2  
C. Paragraph 3  
D. Paragraph 4

*Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions from 31 to 40.*

[I] SARS, Ebola, and SARS-CoV-2 have caused global panic since 2002, and all three viruses were transmitted to humans from wild animals living in dense tropical forests that we are clearing for crops and housing. [II] Stopping deforestation will not only reduce natural disasters but also help **contain** the spread of dangerous diseases like Zika, malaria, and cholera, which are linked to rainforests. [III] A 2019 study found that a 10 percent increase in deforestation would raise malaria cases by 3.3 percent; that would be 7.4 million people worldwide. [IV]

To prevent further environmental destruction, societies must take action. One important step is to reduce meat consumption, which improves health and helps reduce the demand for land used for crops and pastures. Cutting down on processed foods will decrease the need for palm oil, much of which is grown on land that used to be tropical rainforests. In addition, improving food production per hectare can meet growing demand without requiring more land, which could help reduce the pressure on forests and other ecosystems.

Governments should take immediate action to stop the spread of infectious diseases. Banning the sale of live wild animals in wet markets is critical, as these markets have been sources of diseases crossing over from animals to humans. Although these markets have cultural importance, the health risks **they** pose are too great to ignore. Governments must also address **illegal** wildlife trade, which contributes to the global spread of infectious diseases and puts more people at risk.

Ending deforestation and preventing pandemics will guarantee healthier lives, reduce hunger, and promote gender equality while encouraging sustainable land use. The COVID-19 pandemic, although devastating, serves as a reminder to shift our focus toward human achievements through better environmental management. **Prioritizing sustainability will help avoid the overexploitation of natural resources and ensure a healthier planet for future generations.**

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**Question 31 [698868]:** Where in paragraph 1 does the following sentence best fit?

*The more we clear, the more we come into contact with wildlife that carries diseases which can be transferred to humans*

- A. [I]                      B. [II]                      C. [III]                      D. [IV]

**Question 32 [698869]:** The word **contain** in paragraph 1 could be best replaced by \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. include                      B. compose                      C. control                      D. retain

**Question 33 [698870]:** The word **they** in paragraph 3 refers to \_\_\_\_\_?

- A. wild animals                      B. wet markets                      C. health risks                      D. infectious diseases

**Question 34 [698871]:** According to paragraph 2, which of the following is **NOT** mentioned as a way to prevent environmental destruction?

- A. reducing the consumption of meat  
B. enhancing food production  
C. reducing the consumption of processed foods  
D. increasing land use for crops

**Question 35 [698872]:** Which of the following best summarises paragraph 3?

- A. Governments should focus on reducing the cultural significance of wet markets to prevent disease outbreaks.  
B. Banning the sale of wild animals in wet markets will reduce health risks associated with diseases crossing from animals to humans.  
C. Governments must take actions to regulate the wildlife trade including banning the sale of live animals in wet markets and addressing illegal trafficking.  
D. Governments should stop the sale of live wild animals in wet markets and address illegal wildlife trade to reduce the spread of infectious diseases.

**Question 36 (698873):** The word **illegal** in paragraph 3 is **OPPOSITE** in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_

- A. illicit                      B. lawful                      C. criminal                      D. immoral

**Question 37 (698874):** Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?

- A. Deforestation is the only factor contributing to the spread of infectious diseases.  
B. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the need for better environmental management.  
C. The cultural importance of wet markets should be prioritized over health risks.  
D. Meat consumption has no effect on land use and environmental destruction.

**Question 38 (698875):** Which of the following best paraphrases the **underlined sentence** in paragraph 4?

- A. Focusing on environmental growth will reduce the depletion of natural resources and guarantee a thriving planet in the future.
- B. Giving importance to sustainability will help minimize the waste of natural resources and maintain a sustainable planet for future generations.
- C. Emphasizing sustainability will prevent the excessive use of natural resources and contribute to a healthier planet for future generations.
- D. Supporting sustainability will decrease the demand for natural resources and **create** a more comfortable world for future generations.

**Question 39 (698876):** Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

- A. Stopping deforestation will have minimal impact on issues like hunger or gender equality.
- B. Stopping deforestation can lead to a wide range of positive social and environmental outcomes.
- C. Preventing pandemics is unrelated to efforts to reduce hunger and promote gender equality.
- D. The focus should only be on reducing deforestation without considering other social issues.

**Question 40 (698877):** Which of the following best summarises the passage?

- A. Focusing on sustainability will help avoid the overexploitation of our natural resources and ensure a healthier, more balanced future for our future generations and the planet.
- B. Stopping deforestation and cutting down on meat consumption are necessary to prevent the spread of diseases and ensure a sustainable future for both the environment and public health.
- C. The link between deforestation, wild animals and the spread of some infectious diseases calls for action to reduce deforestation, promote sustainable practices, and regulate wildlife trade.
- D. Governments must take immediate action to stop the spread of infectious diseases by regulating wildlife trade and addressing illegal deforestation.