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1-16: For these questions, choose the best word or expression to fill the space.

1. People pursue a particular career strategy based on the ---- that it will result in the greatest chances of achieving personal and professional success.

- A) expectation B) oppression
C) isolation D) extent
E) destruction

2. As technology shrinks our world and we become members of a global community, the ---- to learn a language becomes a/an essential part of how we interact and succeed.

- A) commitment B) confidence
C) negligence D) accuracy
E) ability

3. Kangaroos are of cultural and spiritual significance to ---- people of Australia as well as being a staple protein source.

- A) attached B) exclusive
C) indigenous D) constructive
E) divergent

4. Due to its ---- harsh climate, there are no native resident plants or animals at the South Pole except for south polar skuas and snow petrels.

- A) principally B) cooperatively
C) exceptionally D) sensitively
E) thoroughly

5. Some people ---- dyscalculia as just being "bad at math," but it is a real challenge that is based in biology, just like dyslexia is.

- A) exaggerate B) persuade
C) deteriorate D) overlook
E) disprove

6. Once individuals achieve a healthy weight, they should ---- healthy eating and physical activity to help you keep the weight off over the long term.

- A) rely on B) break up
C) abide by D) get over
E) give in

7. Despite the incredible popularity they ---- of late, currently, almost no proof ---- showing cryptocurrencies are being adopted.

- A) enjoyed / would exist
B) enjoy / has existed
C) will enjoy / existed
D) had enjoyed / will exist
E) have enjoyed / exists

8. Consumer-grade smartwatches ---- the health research space rapidly; yet, their value in health ---- with more actual participants using them.

- A) will penetrate / might be validated
B) have penetrated / must be validated
C) penetrated / could be validated
D) had penetrated / have to be validated
E) penetrate / can be validated

9. ---- about 100 kilometres south of Baghdad in modern-day Iraq, the ancient city of Babylon, ---- for nearly two millennia as a centre of Mesopotamian civilisation.

- A) Located / served
B) To be located / had served
C) Locating / has served
D) Having located / serves
E) Having been located / would serve

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10. In contrast to normal sadness, clinical depression often interferes ---- a person's ability to experience or anticipate pleasure, and significantly reduces functioning ---- daily life.

- A) in / at B) on / of
C) to / from D) by / into
E) with / over

11. Many mammals, birds and insects migrate long distances north to breed, taking advantage ---- the seasonally plentiful food, fewer parasites and diseases, and the relative safety ---- predators.

- A) between / into B) in / about
C) with / against D) of / from
E) along / for

12. ---- the Asian diet is linked with weight loss, followers are often compelled to abandon their ways when they move abroad, conforming instead to the standard local diet.

- A) Since B) Even though
C) Once D) As long as
E) Only if

13. Early agriculturalists experienced nutritional deficiencies and had a harder time adapting to stress, ---- they were dependent on particular food crops, rather than a diverse diet.

- A) because B) as if
C) before D) though
E) unless

14. Children under the age of three cannot learn much from videos they watch ---- an adult is present to help them with the language used.

- A) in case
B) in that
C) whereas
D) on condition that
E) unless

15. There are several variables that determine ---- a planet can support a habitable climate ---- it is unsuitable for life as we know it.

- A) not only / but also
B) the more / the more
C) such / that
D) whether / or
E) either / or

16. ---- poverty and other issues that all refugees may face, women refugees have an added layer of oppression from gender discrimination.

- A) In case of B) In addition to
C) Instead of D) On behalf of
E) With regard to

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17-21: For these questions, choose the best word or expression to fill the spaces in the passage.

Ishtar is a primary Mesopotamian goddess closely associated with love and war. This powerful Mesopotamian goddess is the first known deity for which we have written evidence. (17)---- largely unknown in the modern day, this powerful ancient deity had a complex and influential role in the religions and cultures of the Ancient Near East. In the ancient world, it is difficult (18) ---- the importance of Ishtar. (19) ---- her reputation as the most famous Mesopotamian goddess, her substantial influence was embedded in many aspects of her worshippers' lives. She was respected (20) ---- the broad geographical reach of the Ancient Near East for a period of history spanning thousands of years. Ishtar comes from a very early time in the history of (21) ---- civilisations, with her cult confirmed as early as the late 4th millennium BCE.

17.

- A) As soon as B) If
C) While D) As
E) Because

18.

- A) overstated
B) to overstate
C) overstating
D) to be overstating
E) to be overstated

19.

- A) Despite
B) Irrespective of
C) Rather than
D) In case of
E) Due to

20.

- A) across B) beneath
C) over D) without
E) off

21.

- A) objective B) permanent
C) partial D) complex
E) fragile

22-26: For these questions, choose the best word or expression to fill the spaces in the passage.

Environmental pollution is the unfavourable alteration of our surroundings, wholly or largely as a by-product of man's actions. It can be (22) ---- direct or indirect effects of the changes in the energy pattern, radiation levels, and chemical and physical constitution and abundance of organisms. Environmental pollution is a global problem (23) ---- the attention of human beings for its severe long-term consequences and is common to both developed as well as developing countries. The decline in environmental quality (24) ---- pollution is evidenced by loss of vegetation, biological diversity, excessive amounts of harmful chemicals in the ambient atmosphere and in food grains, and growing risks of environmental accidents and threats to life support systems. Pollution is viewed from different angles by different people, (25) ---- it is commonly agreed to be the outcome of urban lifestyle. Industrial and technological revolution and greedy and speedy (26) ---- of natural resources, increased rate of exchange of matter and energy, and ever-increasing industrial wastes, urban effluents, and consumer goods all contribute to the problem.

22.

- A) into
B) within
C) beyond
D) around
E) through

23.

- A) attracted
B) to be attracted
C) attracting
D) to have attracted
E) being attracted

24.

- A) in comparison to
B) in spite of
C) in line with
D) as opposed to
E) as a consequence of

25.

- A) but
B) in other words
C) thus
D) given that
E) instead

26.

- A) introduction
B) liability
C) exploitation
D) resolution
E) intervention

27-36: For these questions, choose the best option to complete the given sentence.

27. Because healthcare workers are not educated about many different cultures adequately ----.

- A) those working in different sectors are not keen to learn about these issues
- B) many health visitors are being taught a one-size-fits-all system for each ethnic group
- C) some patients end up being treated based on stereotypes or prejudices
- D) they believe some patients would not suffer from certain illnesses such as depression
- E) the training available needs to recognise the changes and differences in cultures

28. While there is robust evidence about the association between domestic violence and adverse infant outcomes, ----.

- A) the effectiveness of interventions during pregnancy are extensively studied
- B) domestic violence by a partner is one of the most common forms of violence against women
- C) healthcare professionals have an important role to play in tackling the problem
- D) further research is needed to understand the biological mechanism behind this link
- E) the detrimental effects of abuse on pregnant women are very clear

29. ----, nearly 34 million Americans have blood pressure that is still too high.

- A) Even though they take medicine prescribed by their doctors regularly to control it
- B) Because it is the doctors who decide whether to increase the dose of their drug
- C) As a result of increasing guidance on approaches to starting treatment in older adults
- D) As long as it is the force of your blood pushing against the walls of your arteries
- E) Although researchers were able to see patterns in treatment and blood pressure readings over time

30. Selfie and groupie viewing behaviour increase the self-esteem and life satisfaction for the participants, ----.

- A) as viewing of selfies on social media is linked to a decrease in self-esteem and life satisfaction
- B) so that it can help people understand the potential consequences of their posting behaviour on social media
- C) though viewing behaviour is called "lurking" when a person does not participate in posting
- D) since the activity satisfies the participants' desires to appear popular among peers
- E) as long as counsellors work with students who often feel lonely, unpopular, or unsatisfied with their lives

31. Researchers have tried to capture the electrical current that bacteria generate through their own metabolism in order to produce electricity, ----.

- A) yet, they have achieved a slightly more efficient transfer of electrical current
- B) however, the transfer of the captured current to a receiving electrode has not been efficient at all so far
- C) so, this can hardly be regarded as a breakthrough in our understanding of extracellular electron transfer in bacteria
- D) in other words, extracellular electron transfer refers to the current generated by bacteria
- E) also, understanding how bacteria function and communicate is valuable in many contexts

32. As well as providing a much longer range and enabling journeys up to around four or five times longer between fill-ups, ----.

- A) a lithium-ion battery requires external heat and cooling, increasing the costs
- B) a new type of battery, developed recently, is much more efficient and environmentally-friendly
- C) cars and heavy goods vehicles are the most obvious application of the innovative battery
- D) it is not suitable for use in portable devices such as drones or within mobile chargers
- E) the technology works by absorbing hydrogen under around 120 atmospheres of pressure

33. ----, there has not previously been sufficient scientific evidence that it really works.

- A) When doctors use a variety of different methods such as exercise to prevent migraines
- B) Given that exercise is just as good as drugs at preventing migraines
- C) If exercise is appropriate for those unwilling or unable to take preventative medicines
- D) Although exercise is often prescribed as a treatment for migraine
- E) As exercise can act as an alternative to relaxation in migraine treatment

34. The keen sense of smell Pacific salmon rely on for migration, finding food and avoiding predators might be in trouble ----.

- A) although the water can affect the ways in which salmon process and respond to smells
- B) as carbon emissions continue to be absorbed by the ocean and change its chemistry
- C) whereas salmon famously use their nose for so many important aspects of their life
- D) if exposure to new smells can improve the sense of smell for salmon fish
- E) since it is important for us to know if salmon will be impacted by future carbon dioxide conditions

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35. Women have long been told fainting is a common but a harmless symptom of pregnancy, ----.

- A) but it may indicate issues for both the baby and mother's health, especially when it occurs during the first trimester
- B) so, roughly one per cent of expectant mothers and about a third of those during the first three months of pregnancy faint
- C) therefore, pregnancy hormones can cause the heart rate and blood supply to increase and lead to dizziness and fainting
- D) even if fainting is only a temporary loss of consciousness, usually caused by low blood pressure and a lack of oxygen
- E) however, most women who faint during pregnancy usually ignore it and fail to report it to their doctors

36. When kids see stereotyped gender roles portrayed over and over in movies and on television, ----.

- A) child development experts agree that kids need to see a wide range of male and female characters
- B) these messages are aligned to periods in kids' development
- C) it makes it even clearer that it is important to look for positive gender portrayals in our kids' media
- D) it can affect the way they think about themselves and what they can grow up to be
- E) researchers question the validity of previous theories on child development that claim otherwise

37-42: For these questions, choose the most accurate Turkish translation of the sentences in English, and the most accurate English translation of the sentences in Turkish.

37. One of the easiest ways of cleaning the environment, recycling plays a vital role in conserving nature as it converts waste materials into new objects.

- A) Geri dönüşüm, çevreyi temizlemenin en kolay yollarından biridir, çünkü atık malzemeleri yeni nesnelere dönüştürür ve doğayı korumada hayati bir rol oynar.
- B) Çevreyi temizlemenin en kolay yollarından biri olan geri dönüşüm, atık malzemeleri yeni nesnelere dönüştürdüğü için doğayı korumada hayati bir rol oynar.
- C) Atık malzemeleri yeni nesnelere dönüştüren geri dönüşüm, çevrenin temizlenmesinde önemli rol oynar ve doğanın korunmasının en kolay yollarından biridir.
- D) Çevreyi temizlemenin en kolay yollarından biri geri dönüşümdür, çünkü atık malzemelerin yeni nesnelere dönüşmesini sağlamada ve doğanın korunmasında önemli bir rolü vardır.
- E) Doğayı korumanın en kolay yollarından birisi olan geri dönüşüm, atık malzemeleri yeni nesnelere dönüştürerek çevreyi temizlemede hayati bir rol oynar.

38. While sarcoma is the general term for a broad group of cancers that begin in the bones and in the soft tissues, it is a type of cancer that can occur in various locations in the body.

- A) Sarkom, vücudun çeşitli yerlerinde ortaya çıkabilen bir kanser türü olsa da, kemiklerde ve yumuşak dokularda başlayan geniş bir kanser grubunun genel adıdır.
- B) Sarkom, kemiklerde ve yumuşak dokularda başlayan geniş bir kanser grubunun genel adı olduğu halde, çoğunlukla vücudun çeşitli yerlerinde oluşan bir kanser türüdür.
- C) Sarkom, kemiklerde ve yumuşak dokularda başlayan geniş bir kanser grubuna verilen genel adı olsa da, aslında vücudun çeşitli yerlerinde de oluşabilen bir kanser türüdür.
- D) Geniş bir kanser grubunun adı olan Sarkom, genelde kemiklerde ve yumuşak dokularda başlasa da, vücudun çeşitli yerlerinde ortaya çıkabilen bir kanser türüdür.
- E) Sarkom, kemiklerde ve yumuşak dokularda başlayan geniş bir kanser grubunun genel adı olmasına karşın, vücudun çeşitli yerlerinde ortaya çıkabilen bir kanser türüdür.

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39. Historians are still puzzled over what the Mont'e Prama giants carved from blocks of limestone exactly represent, yet they all agree that they were intended to unite an ancient community through their powerful symbolism.

- A) Tarihçiler kireçtaşı bloklarından oyulmuş Mont'e Prama devlerinin temsil ettiği şey konusunda hâlâ şaşkın olsalar da hepsi güçlü sembolizmleriyle eski bir topluluğu birleştirmeyi amaçladıkları konusunda aynı fikirdeler.
- B) Kireçtaşı bloklarından oyulmuş Mont'e Prama devlerinin hâlâ tam olarak neyi temsil ettiği konusunda tarihçilerin şaşkınlıklarının devam etmesine rağmen, hepsi devlerin güçlü sembolizmlerine dayanarak eski bir topluluğu birleştirmeyi amaçladıklarını düşünüyorlar.
- C) Tarihçilerin kafası kireçtaşı bloklarından oyulmuş Mont'e Prama devlerinin hâlâ tam olarak neyi temsil ettiği konusunda karışıktır ancak hepsi güçlü sembolizmleriyle eski bir topluluğu birleştirmeyi amaçladıkları konusunda hemfikirdir.
- D) Tarihçiler kireçtaşı bloklarından oyularak yapılan Mont'e Prama devlerinin hâlâ tam olarak neyi temsil ettiği konusunda şaşkınlıkları devam etse de güçlü sembolizmleriyle eski bir topluluğu birleştirmeyi amaçladıkları konusunda aynı fikre sahipler.
- E) Tarihçiler Mont'e Prama devlerinin kireçtaşı bloklarından oyulmuş olmasının hâlâ tam olarak neyi temsil ettiği konusunda şaşkınlar, fakat hepsi güçlü sembolizmleriyle eski bir topluluğu birleştirmeyi amaçladıkları konusunda hemfikirdir.

40. Volkanik Galapagos Adaları'nı çevreleyen sular, minik denizkestanelerinden dünyanın en büyük hayvanları olan devasa balina köpekbalıklarına kadar akıllara durgunluk veren bir deniz yaşamı karışımı barındırıyor.

- A) A mind-boggling mix of marine life harboured in the waters surrounding the volcanic Galápagos Islands ranges from tiny sea urchins to gigantic whale sharks, the world's largest animals.
- B) Harbours a mix of marine life ranging from tiny sea urchins to gigantic whale sharks, the world's largest animals, the waters that surround the volcanic Galápagos Islands are mind-boggling.
- C) A mind-boggling mix of marine life, ranging from tiny sea urchins to the world's largest animals, gigantic whale sharks, thrives in the waters that surround the volcanic Galápagos Islands.
- D) The waters surrounding the volcanic Galápagos Islands harbour a mind-boggling mix of marine life ranging from tiny sea urchins to gigantic whale sharks, the world's largest animals.
- E) The volcanic Galápagos Islands are surrounded by the waters that harbour a mind-boggling mix of marine life ranging from tiny sea urchins to gigantic whale sharks, the world's largest animals.

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41. COVID-19 pandemisi patlak vermeden yıllar önce virologlar insanları farklı koronavirüs türlerine karşı koruyabilecek antiviraller adı verilen ilaçları bulmak için bir arayışa başlamışlardı.

- A) Years before the COVID-19 pandemic broke out, virologists had started a quest to find drugs called antivirals that can protect people against different strains of coronaviruses.
- B) Virologists had already started to develop drugs called antivirals that would protect people against different strains of coronaviruses years before the COVID-19 pandemic broke out.
- C) It was not until the COVID-19 pandemic broke out that virologists started a quest to find drugs called antivirals that can protect people against different strains of coronaviruses.
- D) Virologists aimed to find drugs called antivirals that could help protect people against different strains of coronaviruses years before the COVID-19 pandemic broke out.
- E) Years before the COVID-19 pandemic outbreak, virologists started their quest so that they could develop drugs called antivirals that can protect people in case different strains of coronaviruses emerge.

42. Efsanevi Fransız kâşif ve oşinograf Jacques Cousteau, su altında daha fazla zaman harcadıkça, dünya hükümetlerinin nükleer atıkları okyanuslara ve denizlere boşaltma planlarından endişe duymaya başladı.

- A) Since he spent more and more time underwater, Jacques Cousteau, the legendary French explorer and oceanographer, started to worry about world governments' plans to dump nuclear waste into the oceans and seas.
- B) The legendary French explorer and oceanographer Jacques Cousteau, who spent more and more time underwater, became concerned about world governments' plans to dump nuclear waste into the oceans and seas.
- C) Due to the huge amount of time he spent underwater, Jacques Cousteau, the legendary French explorer and oceanographer, became concerned about world governments' plans to dump nuclear waste into the oceans and seas.
- D) As Jacques Cousteau, the legendary French explorer and oceanographer, spent more and more time underwater, he became concerned about world governments' plans to dump nuclear waste into the oceans and seas.
- E) It was Jacques Cousteau, the legendary French explorer and oceanographer who became concerned about world governments' plans to dump nuclear waste into the oceans and seas as he spent more and more time underwater.

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43-46: Answer these questions according to the passage below.

One of the extinct sloth species, the Darwin's ground sloth, lived in South America between 1.8 million years and 12,000 years ago. Based on dental characteristics from some very recent fossil species, this small sloth and most of its extinct large relatives have long been presumed to be herbivores. "We now have strong evidence that contradicts the long-held assumption that sloths, at least the vast majority, are herbivores.," said Dr. Julia Tejada. In the study, the researchers used an innovative approach called amino acid compound-specific isotope analysis. By first analysing the amino-acid nitrogen values in a wide range of modern herbivores and omnivores to determine the type of plant and animal food, the researchers can now measure the fossils to determine what the animals consumed. This offers scientists a unique window directly into the diets of animals, enabling them to determine whether they were plant-eating herbivores, mixed-feeding omnivores, or meat-eating carnivores. Prior methods relied solely on analyses of nitrogen and complex formulas that have many untested or weakly supported assumptions. The new analytical approach shows that many previous conclusions are poorly supported at best or clearly wrong and misleading at worst. These results, providing the first direct evidence of omnivory in an ancient sloth species, require a re-evaluation of the entire ecological structure of ancient mammalian communities in South America, as sloths represented a major component of these ecosystems across the past 34 million years.

43. It is clearly stated in the passage that ----.

- A) the previous methods are no longer used by researchers due to their weak assumptions
- B) the new approach has completely changed what was known about ancient extinct animals
- C) both new and earlier research methods were based on an extensive fossil analysis
- D) the findings of the new study are in line with the previous ones despite their weak assumptions
- E) majority of sloth species were thought to be plant-eating animals for a long time

44. What can be concluded from the passage about the results of the new study?

- A) The research methods to be used in future will not have to rely on complex formulas.
- B) Most sloth species, both living and extinct, have been found to be omnivores rather than herbivores.
- C) The whole ecological structure of certain species needs to be assessed again.
- D) Some of the previous research findings are no longer controversial.
- E) The methods used in earlier studies have turned out to be a lot more accurate than currently thought.

45. It can be inferred from the passage that ----.

- A) the new approach has provided evidence that plants cannot have supported all large herbivores
- B) the novel approach promises to determine the eating habits of animals more precisely than ever
- C) researchers carrying out the previous studies on extinct sloth species intentionally falsified their findings
- D) the new method used to determine the diet of ancient animals has certain drawbacks
- E) the assumption that all sloths were herbivores was based on the rich flora that South America has

46. The passage is mainly about ----.

- A) the comparison between current and the previous approaches used to determine the diet of some sloth species
- B) a novel approach that has drastically changed the prior presumptions regarding the diet of certain sloth species
- C) several factors that render the previous research findings of the diet of sloth species open to discussion
- D) novel research that refutes the wrong assumptions regarding the diet of a sloth species called the Darwin's ground sloth
- E) various reasons why previous research methods that determine the diet of certain sloth species need to be re-assessed

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47-50: Answer these questions according to the passage below.

Africa has the youngest population in the world, with 70% of sub-Saharan Africa under the age of 30. Such a high number of young people is an opportunity for the continent's growth, but only if these new generations are fully empowered to realise their best potential. It is especially important that young people are included in decision making and given appropriate opportunities for work and to innovate. In many countries outside of Africa, countries with ageing populations are facing high healthcare costs and a shortage of skilled labour. In Africa, young people face underemployment and lack of opportunities or, without access to the internet, the lack of information about anything. Still, young Africans are contributing daily to the benefit of their communities and nations across Africa. From providing support to the elderly to advocating for justice and equality, young people have proven their centrality to building and sustaining healthy communities. They also have the potential to drive peace in areas that are already affected by conflict all around Africa. Being involved makes young people feel concerned about the problems in the community and pushes them to have a positive social impact.

47. It is clearly stated in the passage that ----.

- A) many young Africans are planning to immigrate to countries with an ageing population
- B) the young population of Africa will remain relatively higher than most countries
- C) most young Africans are reluctant to be involved in the decision-making process
- D) the challenges young Africans face outweigh the opportunities they have
- E) young people in Africa have already shown that they are a great asset to their countries

48. It can be understood from the passage that ----.

- A) having a young population can present both challenges and opportunities at the same time
- B) there are many conflicts among the nations all over Africa
- C) Africa's human capital investment has failed to match its population growth
- D) having the youngest population is likely to breed instability and insecurity in Africa
- E) inefficient policies of governments across Africa fail to address employment and health issues

49. Which of the following can be concluded from the passage?

- A) Young Africans mostly do charity work rather than being involved in decision making.
- B) Africa's young population is intimidating for the countries with an ageing population.
- C) Despite the obstacles African youth deal with, they contribute to their country's development.
- D) More risks will arise in Africa even if the youth is given the opportunities to improve their lives.
- E) African youth are indifferent to some social issues that need to be immediately addressed.

50. Which of the following describes the main purpose of this passage?

- A) To illustrate the skills African youth should possess to help the country's development
- B) To criticise young Africans who are unconcerned about the challenges their country might face
- C) To encourage young Africans to become part of the labour force
- D) To emphasise that African youth are devoid of many opportunities they should have
- E) To stress the importance of the potential of the African youth for the country's sustainability

51-54: Answer these questions according to the passage below.

In the 1930s, a Swiss astronomer named Fritz Zwicky noticed that galaxies in a distant cluster were orbiting one another much faster than they should have been given the amount of visible mass they had. He proposed that an unseen substance, which he called dark matter, might have exerted a gravitational pull on these galaxies. Since then, researchers have confirmed that this mysterious material can be found throughout the cosmos and that it is six times more abundant than the normal matter that makes up ordinary things like stars and people. Yet, researchers remain unsure about what exactly dark matter is. Originally, some scientists proposed that the missing mass in the universe was made up of small stars and black holes, though detailed observations have not turned up nearly enough such objects to account for dark matter's influence. The normal matter is made up of everyday particles like protons and electrons, as well as many particles such as neutrinos, muons and pions. So, some researchers believe there is no good reason to assume that all dark matter in the universe is built out of one type of particle. Scientists discovered dark matter through its gravitational interactions with the normal matter, but when trying to understand the true nature of dark matter, researchers have remarkably little to go on. While there are many proposals about dark matter, figuring out a way to confirm or deny them has **baffled** scientists so far.

51. It can be understood from the passage that ----.

- A) the number of theories regarding dark matter makes it difficult to grasp its true nature
- B) gravitation played an important role in the discovery of dark matter
- C) the questions about dark matter have remarkably increased in number since its discovery
- D) dark matter might not be present in some regions of the universe
- E) the normal matter is composed of several particles as well as dark matter

52. Which of the following is true about dark matter, according to the passage?

- A) Scientists have conclusively confirmed its existence in the universe.
- B) The amount of the normal matter in the cosmos surpasses that of dark matter.
- C) Researchers have made huge progress in understanding what it is since the 20th century.
- D) It makes it hard for scientists to shed light on certain phenomena in space.
- E) Scientists have yet to comprehend what it is really made of.

53. The underlined word in the passage "baffled" is closest in meaning to ----.

- A) dissatisfied
- B) verified
- C) confused
- D) relieved
- E) praised

54. Which of the following could be the best title for this passage?

- A) An Inexplicable Phenomenon: Dark Matter
- B) Why We Need Dark Matter
- C) The Long-standing Myth of Dark Matter
- D) Dark Matter and Gravity
- E) Dark Matter versus Ordinary Matter

55-58: Answer these questions according to the passage below.

Economic hardship exacts a toll on millions of families worldwide, and in some places, it comes at the price of a child's safety. A recent report revealed that roughly 160 million children were subjected to child labour at the beginning of 2020. This accounts for nearly 1 in 10 children worldwide. Almost half of them are in hazardous work that directly endangers their health and moral development. Children may be forced into work for various reasons. Most often, child labour occurs when families face financial challenges or uncertainty – whether due to poverty, sudden illness of a caregiver, or job loss of a primary wage earner. The consequences are staggering. Child labour can result in extreme bodily and mental harm, and even death. It can even lead to slavery. And in nearly every case, it cuts children off from schooling and health care, restricting their fundamental rights and threatening their futures. Migrant and refugee children, many of whom have been uprooted by conflict, disaster or poverty, are at stake more than others as they might be trafficked, especially if they are migrating alone or taking irregular routes with their families. Also, trafficked children are often subjected to violence and other human rights violations more. And some may be forced to break the law. Whatever the cause, child labour compounds social inequality and discrimination, and robs children of their childhood.

55. It can be understood from the passage that ----.

- A) all work done by children should be classified as child labour as their future are threatened
- B) the number of children whose future are at stake due to child labour is projected to rise
- C) child labour often disrupts children's education and health
- D) most children subjected to child labour have illiterate parents
- E) some children are content with their jobs due to the contribution they make to their parents' income

56. Which of the following is true according to the passage?

- A) The nature of work children are asked to do varies from one country to another.
- B) There are several factors that drive children into working.
- C) Many children who do not work are thought to be involved in illegal activities.
- D) The working conditions of children are mostly too demanding for them to cope with.
- E) Progress to curb child labour has been delayed over the past few years.

57. It is clearly stated in the passage that ----.

- A) slavery is the most serious consequence of child labour as it may claim their lives
- B) the worst form of child labour involves children being trafficked
- C) children of immigrant or refugee families might face more serious consequences than others
- D) child labour may contribute to children's development and to the welfare of their families
- E) child labour provides children with skills to help them become productive members of society

58. The passage is mainly about ----.

- A) the link between financial difficulties and the nature of work done by children
- B) why most children are incapable of working and continuing their education at the same time
- C) the measures that need to be taken to alleviate the negative impacts of child labour
- D) economic hardship and its consequences on child's safety
- E) the causes and consequences of child labour all around the world

59-62: Answer these questions according to the passage below.

Persuasive communication is a type of communication that focuses on guiding or convincing the audience to adopt certain ideas, actions and attitudes. An effective, persuasive communicator has the capacity to influence others to act in a particular way and is able to navigate challenges, resolve conflicts, and articulate plans in an inclusive way. In transactional business relationships, persuasive communication is used extensively. However, the wide-ranging benefits of well-developed, persuasive communication skills make it one of the most important skills for any business leader, manager, or employee to possess. Being persuasive in your communications requires building positive relationships that are based on trust. Cultivating trust means that honesty and integrity are fundamental. Without a foundation of honesty and trust, there is no basis for a positive, lasting relationship, which may spell disaster for not only your business but also your personal life, as these skills are also fundamental for any relationship. Developing and exhibiting these skills can be achieved with the help of some simple and effective techniques in a relatively short time based in NLP (Neuro-Linguistic Programming), a psychological approach that helps you reach a goal. These techniques all have one thing in common, they build rapport, the togetherness that comes from understanding. The importance of rapport cannot be understated as it forms the foundational building blocks in any relationship.

59. It is pointed out in the passage that ----.

- A) one has to attend a course on NLP to enhance communication skills
- B) one can enhance his/her persuasive communication skills through NLP
- C) persuasive communications skills are extensively used in international affairs
- D) persuasive communications skills contribute little to navigate challenges and resolve conflicts
- E) it takes an individual a very long time to develop his/her persuasive communication skills

60. One can infer from the passage that persuasive communication ----.

- A) forms the keystone in any relationship when it is gained through NLP
- B) works best for people who hold managerial positions at a company
- C) is effective only when both parties are eager to negotiate
- D) ensures positive rapport regardless of trust and honesty
- E) can be used in other contexts along with business relationships

61. What is the author's attitude towards persuasive communication skills?

- A) Critical
- B) Indifferent
- C) Apprehensive
- D) Favouring
- E) Neutral

62. Which could be the best title for this passage?

- A) Persuasive Communication Skills and How to Improve Them
- B) Pros and Cons of Persuasive Communication Skills
- C) The Importance of Gestures in Persuasive Communication
- D) The Impact of Persuasive Communication Skills on the Audience
- E) The Significance of Persuasive Communication Skills in Daily Life

63-67: For these questions, choose the best option to complete the dialogue.

63.

Melinda:

— I've just read an article about the importance of archaeology.

Kyle:

— I didn't know that you were interested in archaeology. Tell me about it.

Melinda:

— Without archaeology, we would know next to nothing about the world's earliest civilisations, for instance.

Melinda:

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Kyle:

— You may have a point, but, what about the ones who left behind no written record then? That's why archaeology matters.

- A) Through recovered objects and documents, our distant ancestors, many of whom we didn't know existed, can tell their stories.
- B) Two centuries of excavations on six continents have given voice to a past that previously lay mostly submerged.
- C) Studying these artefacts helps provide us with some insight into the ancient civilisations as well as the extinct creatures.
- D) We could learn about the past also from historical evidence like the well-preserved manuscripts or even books that have been found.
- E) Some novel methods of recording fine layers of soil have provided ways to reconstruct day-to-day life.

64.

Michael:

— Have you heard that Roald Dahl, British novelist and short-story writer, has been placed 16th by The Times magazine on its list of "The 50 Greatest British Writers Since 1945"?

Loraine:

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Michael:

— Why is that?

Loraine:

— It is because his works are claimed to include themes such as racism and misogyny – hatred for women.

- A) Of course. His awards for contribution to literature include the 1983 World Fantasy Award for Life Achievement.
- B) His books have sold more than 250 million copies worldwide, including *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*.
- C) Sure. And he was also a poet, screenwriter, and wartime fighter pilot serving in the Royal Air Force during the Second World War.
- D) His short stories are known for their unexpected endings, and his children's books feature villainous adult enemies of the child characters.
- E) I think he is one of the greatest storytellers for children of the 20th century, but he is also harshly criticised by many.

65.

Gill:

— Did you know that you are made of star stuff?

Andy:

— What's that supposed to mean?

Gill:

— When a star dies, it blows away huge amounts of atoms, some of which become part of the Earth later, and eventually end up in us.

Andy:

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Gill:

— Exactly. Every ingredient in humans is made from elements forged by stars.

- A) But, without the nuclear reactions in the interiors of stars, there would be no life.
- B) So, this means that the atoms in my body were once created in another star.
- C) I see. Then, scientists still don't know much about the origin of life, though.
- D) Some molecules like hydrocarbons, sugars, and amino acids are the building blocks of life.
- E) Do you mean we have already discovered that the ingredients of life are present before planets are born?

66.

Will:

— I think giant aquariums can help positively impact animal conservation and education. What do you think?

Grace:

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Will:

— What do you mean?

Grace:

— Animals born into captivity are condemned to a life of misery in tanks and often have to endure the stress of being taken away from their families and friends.

- A) I am of the opinion that this claim is just a devil in disguise.
- B) But, if managed correctly, they are a great tool for raising awareness about marine health.
- C) Many ocean conservationists say a childhood visit to an aquarium ignited their passion.
- D) It is a great opportunity for people to see creatures like sharks in the wild.
- E) Some run their own conservation initiatives, or support ongoing efforts in their area.

67.

Kate:

— I'm thinking of learning a foreign language through using apps like Duolingo and Babbel. Any ideas about these apps?

Sean:

— As far as I know, they are both great apps to learn a foreign language.

Kate:

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Sean:

— In that case, you should opt for the former as it offers lessons with conversational practice, whereas the latter offers adaptive learning lessons using computer algorithms.

- A) They offer opportunities to practise grammar and can be a good way to learn vocabulary.
- B) Many people turn to language learning apps for help as they've become increasingly available.
- C) Actually, I want to focus on my speaking skill in particular.
- D) Translation is already widely known to be an ineffective way to learn a language.
- E) I think I'll have to spend a huge amount of time to improve my language skills.

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68-71: For these questions, choose the best rephrased form of the given sentence.

68. Although education is compulsory in most places up to a certain age, attendance at school often is not, and a minority of parents choose home-schooling, e-learning or the like for their children.

- A) Although home-schooling, e-learning or the like are gaining ground, especially among minority families, traditional schools where attendance is not compulsory in most places up to a certain age are still popular among parents.
- B) A great number of families prefer to offer their children home-schooling, e-learning, or other alternatives as schools where attendance is not required are making it hard to keep children in schools.
- C) Compulsory attendance at most schools is causing a lot of families to choose home-schooling, e-learning or the like as education alternatives for their small children until they come of age.
- D) Schools with required attendance need to improve their perception among parents and children of a certain age if they are to compete with new alternatives in education such as home-schooling, e-learning, or others.
- E) Few places exist where education is not obligatory up to a certain age, however, presence at school is not necessarily required, and a small number of parents opt for home-schooling, e-learning, or other alternatives for their children.

69. Elevated nitrate concentrations in rivers and lakes will remain high for a long time in the future, even if farmers stop applying nitrogen fertilisers today.

- A) Farmers should stop using nitrogen fertilisers immediately; otherwise, the nitrate accumulations in rivers and lakes will continue to increase in the future.
- B) Whether farmers give up using nitrogen fertilisers now or not, increased nitrate accumulations in rivers and lakes will stay high for years to come.
- C) Nitrate concentrations in rivers and lakes will continue to pose a threat in the future unless farmers stop applying nitrogen fertilisers today.
- D) Farmers must be prevented from using nitrogen fertilisers today to stop nitrate concentrations in rivers and lakes from increasing anymore in the future.
- E) Rivers and lakes are contaminated with nitrate concentrations to the extent that there is not much farmers can do other than decreasing the amount of nitrogen fertilisers used today.

70. While people who are both hardworking and competent are the most sought after when it comes to team assembly, training and trustworthiness are often more important factors.

- A) Teams value those who are both hardworking and competent over those who are both well-trained and trustable as these are the components that make the best teams.
- B) Training and dependability matter more in forming a team and thus are to be looked for since, in this way, team members become more hardworking and trustable.
- C) Businesses want teams to consist of trained members that they can trust; yet, hard work and competency are not sufficient alone for a group to function properly.
- D) When putting a team together, what is most looked for is people that are industrious and capable at the same time, although schooling and dependability are usually of higher importance.
- E) One needs to be hardworking and competent in order to be part of a team, however; training as well as trustworthiness can be assets wanted in a would-be team member.

71. Warming oceans cause fewer bright clouds to reflect sunlight into space, trapping even more energy in Earth's climate system, which causes the Earth to appear darker.

- A) The heating of the Earth is caused by less sunlight reflected by bright clouds, which results in warmer oceans and a darker Earth with more energy trapped in its climate system.
- B) The darker the Earth gets, the more energy remains in Earth's climate system, which is caused by the decreasing number of bright clouds reflecting sunlight into space.
- C) More energy gets stuck in Earth's climate system due to decreasing bright clouds that send sunlight back to space resulting from warming oceans and this makes the earth look dimmer.
- D) The Earth's climate system traps much more energy as warming oceans reflect less sunlight into space, causing bright clouds to make the Earth appear darker.
- E) The Earth appears darker when oceans send less sunlight back to space through the clouds, trapping more energy in them and the Earth's climate system warms as a result.

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72-75: For these questions, choose the best option to complete the missing part of the passage.

72. Fashion psychology is very important to marketers who need to understand the factors that make it likely a product will be adopted by a group of consumers, and who need to predict how long that product will continue to stay in fashion. ---- For example, a classic is a fashion with an extremely long acceptance cycle that is adopted by a fairly large group. In contrast, a fad is a short-lived fashion. Relatively few people adopt a fad product, but it can spread quickly. Adopters may all belong to a common subculture, and the fad "trickles across" members but rarely breaks out of that specific group.

- A) Also, many psychological factors help explain what motivates us to follow acceptable fashion.
- B) However, the term is misleading, as it looks beyond clothing's impact on the individual.
- C) Yet, the research looks at how variations in clothing influence observers' responses.
- D) Thus, fashion is the process of social diffusion by which some consumers adopt a new style.
- E) So, part of fashion psychology focuses on changes in acceptance over time.

73. Maintaining safety at home is something that cannot be accomplished by a single person but needs participation from everyone. There are various aspects that need to be looked into to ensure that home is a safe place for all the members. Safety features like smoke alarms, lockable cupboards for firearm safety, and keeping hazards out of the way to ensure the health and safety of your family is imperative. Likewise, having safety rules at home is another way through which all the occupants at home are able to ensure that safety is maintained. Usually, each home has its own safety rules. ---- It is, therefore, important for each family to be to identify what safety rules are needed to be adhered to in order to make home a safer place to live in.

- A) Home is one of those places that can be assumed to be safe, but this may not be entirely true.
- B) There are more safety concerns in homes with children, and extra caution on safety should be observed.
- C) Safety is a very broad concept, and its implementation is not that easy, but it is necessary.
- D) Though some may differ from one home to the other, most of these rules can apply to almost every home.
- E) There is also no shortcut when it comes to safety and to achieve this objective requires commitment.

74. Surface currents play a large role in determining climate. These currents bring warm water from the equator to cooler parts of the ocean; they transfer heat energy. Let's take the Gulf Stream as an example. The Gulf Stream is an ocean current that transports warm water from the equator past the east coast of North America and across the Atlantic to Europe. ---- It is about 160 kilometres wide and about a kilometre deep. The Gulf Stream's warm waters give Europe a much warmer climate than other places at the same latitude. **If the Gulf Stream were severely disrupted, temperatures would plunge in Europe.**

- A) The water it transports is more than 25 times that of all of the rivers in the world combined.
- B) Surface currents occur close to the surface of the ocean and mostly affect the photic zone.
- C) Two major factors determine the density of ocean water: salinity and temperature.
- D) This is because colder water can take up much less space than warmer water.
- E) Water cools as it moves from the equator to the poles via surface currents.

75. Prior to the 1st century BCE, Japanese homes looked much like any other home across the world, consisting mainly of wood with thatched roofs and earthen floors. Built before the 6th century, some of Japan's first shrines looked similar to ancient storehouses or homes. ---- It was around this period that wood emerged as a preferred building material for Japanese architecture. This is due to a lack of stone available at the time due to volcanic activity, as well as wood's proven resistance to earthquakes.

- A) Similarly, traditional Japanese architecture refers to buildings built during the Edo period, which was during the 17th to mid-19th centuries.
- B) So, in many of the older Japanese houses, wood was left unpainted and used in its natural form.
- C) As of the 7th century, however, the Japanese developed their own distinct style, heavily influenced by other Asian nations.
- D) As such, the screens were made from paper to allow light and shadows to pass through.
- E) In other words, connection to nature was an important feature of Japanese architecture and the public at the time.

76-80: For these questions, choose the irrelevant sentence in the passage.

76. (I) In the course of the 3rd millennium the writing became successively more cursive, and the pictographs developed into conventionalized linear drawings. (II) Due to the prevalent use of clay tablets as writing, the linear strokes acquired a wedge-shaped appearance by being pressed into the soft clay with the slanted edge of a stylus. (III) Curving lines disappeared from writing, and the normal order of signs was fixed as running from left to right, without any word-divider. (IV) Many of the cultures employing cuneiform disappeared one by one, and their written records fell into oblivion. (V) This change from earlier columns running downward entailed turning the signs on one side.

A) I B) II C) III D) IV E) V

77. (I) Chinese philosopher Confucius presented himself as a 'transmitter who invented nothing', because he believed he was teaching the natural path to good behaviour passed down from older, divine masters. (II) Around the second century B.C., Confucius's works were collected into the Analects (Lunyu), a collection of sayings written down by his followers. (III) These are not always commandments, because Confucius did not like prescribing strict rules. (IV) Some of the morals Confucius taught, for example, are easily recognisable. (V) Instead, he believed that if he simply lived virtuously, he would inspire others to do the same.

A) I B) II C) III D) IV E) V

78. (I) Plates are significantly weakened as they sink but not so much that they break apart entirely. (II) Our world's surface is a jumble of jostling tectonic plates, with new ones emerging as others are pulled under. (III) The ongoing cycle keeps our continents in motion and drives life on Earth. (IV) But what happens when a plate disappears into the planet's interior has remained unanswered. (V) The question puzzles scientists as it was thought that sinking tectonic plates remain intact, pulling on the portion behind, but geophysical evidence shows that they are destroyed.

A) I B) II C) III D) IV E) V

79. (I) Except in a few favoured locations, the grasslands of central Asia are unsuitable for intensive farming and are unable to support a dense population. (II) Historically, the thinly scattered population lived in small nomadic groups, herding cattle and sheep across the vast steppes. (III) The boundaries could be fluid, and disputes over grazing grounds were common. (IV) Their settlements were tented encampments, which they moved from time to time as their herds moved on. (V) Their men spent much of their time on their sturdy steppe ponies, accompanying their animals across the plains.

A) I B) II C) III D) IV E) V

80. (I) In recent decades financial products and services have become increasingly widespread throughout society. (II) Whereas earlier generations purchased goods primarily in cash, today various credit products are popular, such as credit and debit cards and electronic transfers. (III) Indeed, a 2019 survey showed that consumers preferred cash payments in only 22% of transactions, favouring debit cards for 42% and credit cards for 29%. (IV) Given the importance of finance in modern society, lacking financial literacy can be very damaging to an individual's long-term financial success. (V) Other products, such as mortgages, student loans, health insurance, and self-directed investment accounts, have also grown in importance.

A) I B) II C) III D) IV E) V

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