

Question 1

- A. Tigers are the largest members of the cat family. They are found in many parts of Asia.
- B. They mostly live in dark forests and sleep during the day. They come out for hunting pigs and deer by night.
- C. It is assumed that, probably, around 3,000 tigers live in the wild. This species looks spectacular and grand and they are very graceful in their movements.
- D. It is almost impossible for us to see them against a jungle background, especially when they are standing still, because of their striped coats. Unlike, most cats, the tiger likes bathing very much.

- (1) ABCD
(2) CDBA
(3) ACBD
(4) ADBC

Ans: 3

Solution: ACBD is the final order. A begins the passage by telling us how tigers are the largest members of the cat family and are found in many parts of Asia. C proceeds by telling us the number of tigers living in the world, and describes the way they appear. B tells us about their behaviours - they come out for hunting during the night, and sleep during the day. D concludes by telling us how this makes it impossible to see them against a jungle background as they stand still and have striped coats. Thus, C is the right answer.

Question 2

- A) Healthy, strong trees act as carbon sinks, offsetting carbon and reducing the effects of climate change.
- B) Trees help to clean the air we breathe. Through their leaves and bark, they absorb harmful pollutants and release clean oxygen for us to breathe.
- C) Increasing levels of carbon dioxide caused by deforestation and fossil fuel combustion trap heat in the atmosphere.
- D) In urban environments, trees absorb pollutant gases like nitrogen oxides,

ozone, and carbon monoxide, and sweep up particles like dust and smoke.

- (1) BDCA
- (2) DBAC
- (3) CDAB
- (4) ABCD

Ans: 1

Solution: BDCA is the final order. B begins the passage by telling us how trees help to cleanse the air we breathe. D follows by telling us how trees do so by absorbing pollutants in urban environments. C proceeds by telling us how increasing levels of carbon dioxide trap heat in the air. A concludes by telling us how healthy, strong trees act as carbon sinks and mitigate climate change. Thus, A is the right answer.

Question 3

- A. They stand undefeated in the realms of Shakespeare and Homer.
- B. India is a country where people are full of immense prolixity and exemplary storytelling.
- C. Additionally, the philosophical discourse and discussions on various dilemmas of life associated with the Bhagavad Gita are highly appreciated by scholars from all over the world.
- D. Mahabharata and Ramayana are two great examples of colossal works that unquestionably enjoy the virtue of being peak sources for the cultural ethos of the country.

- (1) DACB
- (2) BDAC
- (3) ACBD
- (4) BACD

Ans: 2

Solution: BDAC is the final order. B begins the passage by telling us how India is known for its prolixity and storytelling. D follows by giving examples of cultural epics that encapsulate the spirit of storytelling. A proceeds by comparing them

to other epic works by foreign authors. C concludes by telling us how the philosophical discourse and discussions on the various dilemmas of life in the Gita are appreciated globally. Thus, B is the right answer.

Question 4

- a. Many fitness trainers encourage their clients to include these foods in their diet to build muscle.
- b. Power foods can be included in your everyday diet in a variety of ways.
- c. The secret to getting the most out of power foods is, of course, knowing how to cook them properly, buying seasonal produce and recognising your preferred flavour profile.
- d. Power foods are high in nutrients such as fibre, potassium and minerals.

(1) d, b, c, a

(2) d, a, b, c

(3) b, c, a, d

(4) a, d, b, c

Ans: 2

Solution: dabc is the final order. d begins the passage by telling us what power foods are - they are foods high in nutrients. a tells us the consequence - many fitness trainers encourage their clients to include them in their diet to build muscle. b follows by telling us that this can be done in many ways. c concludes by telling us what one must keep in mind while including them in one's diet. Thus, B is the right answer.

Directions (Q.5): For the four-sentence (S1 to S4) paragraph below, sentences S1 and S4 are given. From the options and select the appropriate sentences for S2 and S3, respectively.

Question 5

(S1) The men and women took their places after the initial mingling, and immediately a surge of conversation filled the room.

(S2)

(S3)

- (S4) One or two of the women were actually bouncing up and down on the sofa cushions.
- (P) So, the two parties had to lean forward, their elbows on their knees.
- (Q) At the beginning they mingled awkwardly, clutching their drinks, and walking here and there.
- (R) Several people made a last-minute dash to the bathroom before the conversation could start.
- (S) The men's chairs were far enough away from the women's couches.

- (1) P, R
(2) R, Q
(3) Q, S
(4) S, P

Ans: 4

Solution: S1 is given to us as the first sentence of the passage by telling us how everyone took their places and a surge of conversation began. S will take the place of S2 and follow: it tells us of the arrangement of chairs in the room and how the men's chairs were far away from the women's couches. P will be S3, and it tells us that this meant that the men and women had to lean forward to talk to one another. S4 is given to us as the last sentence by telling us how one or two of the women were bouncing up and down on the couches. Thus, D is the right answer.

Q and R talk about things that happened before the conversation began, so neither of them can follow S1, as the latter tells us that the conversation had already begun.