

# IBPS CRP - IX PO/MT

## PRELIMINARY EXAM

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Maximum Marks : 100

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### ENGLISH

*Directions (Qns. 1 & 2): The sentence has a blank indicating that something has been omitted. Against each sentence, three words I, II and III are given. Choose the word(s) for the blank which best fit(s) the meaning of the sentence as a whole.*

1. Neurosurgery is extremely difficult as it ..... tremendous skill and concentration.

- I. requires                      II. involve  
III. impart

Select the correct answer

- A) Only I                      B) Only II and III  
C) Only III                    D) Only II  
E) All I, II and III                      Ans : (A)

2. The minister was ..... by the authorities for non-payment of taxes.

- I. pursued                      II. hounded  
III. receiving

Select the correct answer

- A) Only III                      B) Only II and III  
C) All I, II and III                    D) Only I  
E) Only I and II                      Ans : (E)

*Directions (Qns. 3 - 7): Which of the phrases given below the sentence should replace the word/phrase given in bold in the sentence to make it grammatically correct? If the sentence is correct as it is given and no correction is required, mark 'No correction required' as the answer.*

3. The employees were asked to provide the copy of their demand draft **to proved**.

- A) gets proved  
B) of the prove  
C) as proof  
D) No correction required  
E) proving to                      Ans : (C)

4. The minister **to announced** that there will be no changes in the government policy this year.

- A) announces of  
B) had to be announced  
C) No correction required  
D) will announces  
E) has announced                      Ans : (E)

5. The recent reports **to estimated** that the digital customer base will grow exponentially in the next decade.

- A) have estimated                    B) will be estimating  
C) estimating                      D) had estimate  
E) No correction required                      Ans : (A)

6. **Although the** constant need for snakebite treatment in the country's hospitals, there is no training given in the medical staff.

- A) No correction required  
B) Along of                      C) Despite the  
D) Depending on                    E) Even though                      Ans : (C)

7. Policymakers should collaborate **in close to** social workers to investigate and prevent potential threats.

- A) closely on to                    B) in close with  
C) closely with                    D) in accordance of  
E) No correction required                      Ans : (C)

*Directions (Qns. 8 - 10): In this question, a sentence has been given with five words given in bold denoted by (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E). You have to decide which of the given pairs correctly indicates the pair of words which should be interchanged to make the sentence grammatically and meaningfully correct. If the sentence is correct as it is and no interchange is required, mark 'No interchange is required' as your answer.*

8. The **academicians (A)** have led a **commendable (B)** campaign to **highlight (C)** the **dangers (D)** of so-called lethal autonomous weapons **systems (E)**

- A) D & E                      B) A & C  
C) A & D, B & E                    D) C & D  
E) No interchange is required.                      Ans : (E)

9. An **vital (A)** workforce is a **educated (B)** asset in a **globalised (C)** economy **under (D)** unskilled work is **where (E)** threat from automation.

- A) A & B, C & E                    B) A & B, D & E  
C) No interchange is required  
D) B & C, D & E  
E) A & C, B & D                      Ans : (B)

10. When a **alternative (A)** is **cancelled (B)**, an airline is **provide (C)** to **obliged (D)** a refund or **flight (E)** transport.

- A) A & B, C & E      B) A & E, C & D  
 C) A & D              D) A & C, D & E  
 E) No interchange is required      **Ans : (B)**

*Directions (Qns. 11 - 17): Read the following passage and answer the given questions. Certain words/phrases are given in bold to help you while answering some of the questions.*

A golden age for Western Schools in China may be coming to an end **in the face of** a new government clampdown. China has been a happy hunting ground for Western Schools in recent years, as a burgeoning middle class looked to equip their children with the qualifications to get into a Western University, as well as the skills to join a global workforce. The last five years has seen a 64% increase in the number of students enrolled in International Schools in China. But from next year, schools will have to select their students via lottery, rather than being able to pick and choose from among the applicants. The crackdown has been prompted by fears that foreign-owned schools are poaching the brightest children. The move follows changes introduced last year requiring international schools to teach the Chinese curriculum alongside other national programmes.

The international schools market has exploded in China in recent years, after the authorities **relaxed** regulations for Chinese children attending foreign-owned schools. Until then, international schools almost entirely served the children of foreign nationals, but opening them up to Chinese children revealed a massive and previously untapped demand. For the growing Chinese middle class, the schools provided a more reliable route than Chinese national schools provided a more reliable route than Chinese national schools for getting into highly-regarded Universities in the West, particularly those in the US and UK. These students, in turn, represent a lucrative source of income, for both the schools themselves and for Western Universities. China is the largest source of international students at UK Universities, ..... for more than one in five at undergraduate and postgraduate level. Some of the most prestigious private schools have sought to capitalise on their brand by opening branches in China in recent years. A record 14 British International schools have opened or are due to open in China this year. But despite the increased scrutiny, there are still

opportunities for international schools to open in China, given the "massive demand" among Chinese families. Partners want an international education but also want their children to retain their culture and identity as well as excellent exam results and places at the top universities.

11. Which of the following is/are true as per the given passage?

- I) Many of the prestigious private schools have cancelled their plans to open a branch in China due to increasing restrictions by the Chinese government.  
 II) Although China is still the largest source of international students in UK the demand for education in UK universities has dropped significantly in recent years.  
 III) Nowadays the chance to join the global workforce is much more important for parents in China than the cultural knowledge and social identity of their children.  
 A) Only III                      B) Only I and III  
 C) Only I                      D) Only II  
 E) None of I, II and III      **Ans : (E)**

12. Which of the following is/are the author's view(s) regarding the future of international schools in China?

- I. Even with the increasing restrictions there are many opportunities available in China.  
 II. International schools cannot survive even when they collaborate with Chinese schools.  
 III. Affiliations with top universities will not affect job opportunities for Chinese students.  
 A) Only II                      B) Only III  
 C) Only I                      D) Only II and III  
 E) None of I, II and III      **Ans : (C)**

13. According to the passage, why do parents prefer international schools to the national Chinese schools?

- I. International schools open the doors for top universities abroad.  
 II. The curriculum in international schools is not as demanding as in Chinese ones, thereby reducing stress among students.  
 III. Lack of teachers in national schools  
 A) Only I                      B) Only III  
 C) Only II and III      D) Only II  
 E) None of I, II and III      **Ans : (A)**

14. Which of the following options can replace the phrase *in the face of* as used in the passage both grammatically and contextually?

- A) due to emerging B) because of  
C) directly at D) as one approaches  
E) against the Ans : (B)

15. In the passage there is a blank "....." which indicates that something has been omitted. Which of the following options will fit the given blank both contextually and grammatically?

- A) maintaining B) deterring  
C) accounting D) ignoring  
E) looking Ans : (C)

16. Which of the following is the SAME in meaning as the word RELAXED as used in the passage?

- A) stressed B) eased  
C) tolerated D) lost  
E) careless Ans : (B)

17. Which of the following can be a reason(s) for the mentioned restriction imposed by the government as per the passage?

- A) International schools are handpicking brightest students.  
B) The curriculum taught in international schools is outdated.  
C) Discrimination against Chinese students in countries like the UK  
D) All of the given options can be reasons  
E) Exorbitant fees charged by international schools Ans : (A)

*Directions (Qns. 18 - 23): In the given passage there are blanks, each of which has been denoted by (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), and (6). Against each blank five words are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately. Please select the word which fits the blank appropriately in each case and mark that word as your answer.*

For decades, there has been (1) that classroom techniques designed to get students to participate in the learning process produce better educational outcomes at virtually all levels. A new study suggests it may be important to let students know it. The study shows that (2) students felt as if they learned more through traditional lectures, they actually learnt more when taking part in classrooms that (3) active-learning strategies. The question of whether students' perception of their learning (4) with how well they're actually

learning is particularly important, because while students eventually see the value of active learning, initially it can feel (5). Deep learning is hard work. The effort involved in active learning can be misinterpreted as a sign of poor learning. On the other hand, a favourite lecturer can explain things in such a way as to make students feel like they are learning more than they actually are. Ultimately, the study shows that it is important to ensure that neither instructors nor students are (6) into thinking that lectures are the best learning option.

18. Which of the following will replace (1) in the context of the passage?

- A) associate B) situation  
C) evidence D) knowing  
E) acknowledge Ans : (C)

19. Which of the following will replace (2) in the context of the passage?

- A) even B) possible  
C) though D) never  
E) irrespective Ans : (C)

20. Which of the following will replace (3) in the context of the passage?

- A) discourages B) includes  
C) repress D) employed  
E) promoting Ans : (D)

21. Which of the following will replace (4) in the context of the passage?

- A) bettering B) dealt  
C) bed D) looks  
E) matches Ans : (E)

22. Which of the following will replace (5) in the context of the passage?

- A) retreat B) difficulty  
C) denies D) align  
E) frustrating Ans : (E)

23. Which of the following will replace (6) in the context of the passage?

- A) necessary B) needed  
C) forcing D) fooled  
E) bias Ans : (D)

*Directions (Qns. 24 - 30): In this question a sentence has been divided into four parts denoted by (1), (2), (3) and (4). Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. Mark that part as the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'No Error'. Ignore the error of punctuation, if any.*



- A) F-Bengaluru      B) G-Pune  
 C) D-Hyderabad    D) B-Chennai  
 E) E-Kolkata
34. E is related to Saturday in a certain way based on the given arrangement. In the same way C is related to Sunday. Which of the following days is B related to following the same pattern?  
 A) Tuesday              B) Monday  
 C) Thursday            D) Friday  
 E) Other than those given as options
35. Which of the following conferences will be held in Mumbai?  
 A) B                      B) E  
 C) F                      D) G  
 E) Other than those given as options

**Explanation : (68 – 72)**

On the basis of given information and conclusions/sub-conclusions drawn from them we can organise the data in the following table.

Days	Conference	City
Monday	F	Mumbai
Tuesday	B	Bengaluru
Wednesday	D	Delhi
Thursday	E	Hyderabad
Friday	C	Kolkata
Saturday	G	Chennai
Sunday	A	Pune

31. E)                      32. A)  
 33. D) Three conferences will be between B and the conference which will be held in Chennai.  
 34. C)                      35. C)

**Directions (Qns. 36 - 40): Read the given information carefully and answer the questions given below:**

Eight persons **A, B, C, D, E, F, G** and **H** have their birthdays on different months of the year, viz January, April, May and July, such that not more than two persons have their birthdays in the same months. All the birthdays are either on 14<sup>th</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month.

No two persons have their birthdays on the same day of the same month. The following information is also known about them. **F** does not have birthday in May. **E** wasn't born in July. **H**'s

birthday is immediately after **B**'s. **E** celebrates his birthday before **B**. The number of persons who have their birthdays between the birthdays of **G** and **H** is equal to the number of persons who have their birthdays between the birthdays of **B** and **D**. **D** was born in July. The birthdays of both **E** and **B** are in the same month. There are three birthdays between the birthdays of **F** and **C**. **G** was not born on an even date.

36. Who among the following were born in the same month?  
 A) A and D              B) B and C  
 C) C and F              D) D and G  
 E) C and E
37. Who was born on 23<sup>rd</sup> July?  
 A) A                      B) B  
 C) C                      D) D  
 E) Other than those given as options
38. Which of the following combinations is true as per the given information?  
 A) January 23<sup>rd</sup> – G  
 B) April 14<sup>th</sup> – E  
 C) May 23<sup>rd</sup> – H  
 D) July 14<sup>th</sup> – C  
 E) None of these
39. In which month does C have his birthday?  
 A) January              B) April  
 C) May                    D) July  
 E) Cannot be determined
40. How many people have birthdays before G?  
 A) 1                      B) 3  
 C) 5                      D) 7  
 E) Other than those given as options

**Explanation : (36 – 40)**

On the basis of given information and conclusions/sub-conclusions drawn from them we can organise the data in the following table.

Month	Persons	
January	14 <sup>th</sup>	A
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	F
April	14 <sup>th</sup>	E
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	B
May	14 <sup>th</sup>	H
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	C
July	14 <sup>th</sup>	D
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	G