



Once there was a king named Midas who was granted a (1) by Dionysus, the god of wine. For his wish, Midas asked that whatever he (2) would turn to gold. Despite Dionysus' efforts to prevent it, Midas pleaded that this was a fantastic wish, and so, it was bestowed. Excited about his newly-earned (3), Midas started touching all kinds of things, turning each item into pure gold. But soon, Midas became (4). As he picked up a piece of food, he found he couldn't eat it. It had turned to gold in his hand. Hungry, Midas groaned, "I'll starve! Perhaps this was not such an excellent wish after all!" Seeing his dismay, Midas' (5) daughter threw her arms around him to comfort him, and she, too, turned to gold. "The golden touch is no blessing," Midas cried.

- 1. 1. slavery                      2. wish
- 3. employment                4. job
- 2. 1. next felt            2. touched
- 3. kept            4. left
- 3. 1. legacies 2. powers
- 3. awards 4. visuals
- 4. 1. mad    2. hungry
- 3. tired        4. angry
- 5. 1. estranged    2. guarded
- 3. beloved            4. hated

Maharana Pratap ruled over Mewar only for 25 years. However, he accomplished so much grandeur during his reign that his glory surpassed the boundaries of countries and time, turning him into an immortal personality. He along with his kingdom became a synonym for valour, sacrifice and patriotism. Mewar had been a leading Rajput Kingdom even before Maharana Pratap occupied the throne. Kings of Mewar, with the cooperation of their nobles and subjects, had established such traditions in the kingdom, as augmented their magnificence despite the hurdles of having a smaller area under their command and less population.

There did come a few thorny occasions when the flag of the kingdom seemed sliding down. Their flag once again heaved high in the sky thanks to the gallantry and brilliance of the people of Mewar. The destiny of Mewar was good in the sense that barring a few kings, most of the rulers were competent and patriotic. This glorious tradition of the kingdom almost continued for 1500 years since its establishment, right from the region of Bappa Rawal. . In fact only 60 years before Maharana Pratap, Rana Sanga drove the kingdom to the pinnacle of fame. His reputation went beyond Rajasthan and reached Delhi.

Two generations before him, Rana Kumbha had given a new stature to the kingdom through victories and developmental work. During his reign,



literature and art also progressed extraordinarily. Rana himself was inclined towards writing and his works are read with reverence even today. The ambience of his kingdom was conducive to the creation of high quality work of art and literature. However, in a patricide he was killed by his son Udai Singh. The life of the people of Mewar must have been peaceful and prosperous during the long span of time; otherwise, such extraordinary accomplishment in these fields would not have been possible.

This is reflected in their art and literature as well as their loving nature. They compensate for lack of admirable physique by their firm but pleasant nature. The ambience of Mewar remains lovely thanks to the cheerful and liberal character of its people. One may observe astonishing pieces of workmanship not only in the forts and palaces of Mewar but also in public utility buildings. Ruins of many structures which are still standing tall in their grandeur are testimony to the fact that Mewar was not only the land of the brave but also a seat of art and culture.

Amidst aggression and bloodshed, literature and art flourished and creative pursuits of literature and artists did not suffer. Imagine, how glorious the period must have been when the Vijaya Stambha which is the sample of our great ancient architecture even today, was constructed.

Which of these was Maharana Pratap NOT famous for?

- A. love for his motherland
- B. extraordinary courage
- C. spirit of sacrifice
- D. vast kingdom

Which word in the passage means 'enhanced'?

- A. Inclined
- B. Compensated
- C. Augmented
- D. Accomplished

Which ruler took Mewar to the zenith of fame before the reign of Maharana Pratap?

- A. Bappa Rawal
- B. Udai Singh
- C. Rana Kumbha
- D. Rana Sangha

The glorious tradition of the kingdom of Mewar lasted for

- A. 25 years
- B. 1500 years
- C. 60 years
- D. 250 years

Mewar may be considered fortunate because

- A. Most of the rulers were capable and patriotic.
- B. the Vijaya Stambha was constructed here
- C. Rana Kumbha wrote great works that are still respected
- D. the people were cheerful and liberal



**16. A lot of adulterants / are chemicals that can lead / to an range of health problems / in both children and adults.**

1. to a range of health problems
2. are chemical that can lead
3. A lot of adulterant
4. in both children and adult.

**17. The ball / I kicked / went highly / in the sky.**

1. The ball
2. went highly
3. in the sky
4. I kicked

**18. Despite the setbacks and obstacles we faced, /**

**our team rallied together and achieved our goals,**

**/ which teach us the importance of / teamwork,**

**resilience, and determination.**

1. Despite the setbacks and obstacles we faced,
2. teamwork, resilience, and determination
3. which teach us the importance of
4. our team rallied together and achieved our

**goals,**

**19. That career competition was the difficultest exam he had ever given.**

**1. That career competition was the difficultest exam than any he had ever given.**

**2. That career competition was the most difficult exam than any he had ever given.**

**3. That career competition was the most difficultest exam he had ever given.**

**4. That career competition was the most difficult exam he had ever given.**

**20. Choose the sentence that contain Errors**

**1. The Mona Lisa is a famous painting by Leonardo da Vinci.**

**2. She is the person who can speak five languages fluently.**

**3. He is a doctor who specialises in the treating rare diseases.**

**4. I saw the movie that won the Academy Award for Best Picture.**

**21. After I complete my training program / I will have been joining a team of astronauts / and preparing to / embark on a mission to Mars.**

**1. I will have been joining a team of astronauts**

**2. embark on a mission to Mars**

**3. and preparing to**



4. After I complete my training program

22. Select the option that correctly rectifies the error.

Earlier, he was feeling better, but things took a turn for the bad.

1. Earlier, he was feeling better, but things took a turn for the worst.
2. Earlier, he was feeling good, but things took a turn for the bad.
3. Earlier, he was feeling well, but things took a turn for the ill.
4. Earlier, he was feeling better, but things took a turn for the ill.

23. I will celebrating New Year at my old residence as usual.

1. I
2. will celebrating
3. New Year
4. at my old residence as usual.

24. Why don't / you throw this / paper on the dust bin?

1. paper on the dust bin
2. No error
3. you throw this
4. Why don't

25. (A) We are living / (B) here since / (C) the summer / (D) of last year.

1. A

2. C

3. B

4. D

26. Sanjana rubbed her eyes hardly.

1. Sanjana
2. rubbed
3. hardly
4. her eyes

27. A night alone / in a hotel / can be lonely prospect.

1. can be lonely prospect
2. A night alone
3. No error
4. in a hotel

28. The new restaurant on Main Street is cheap than the old one.

1. the older one
2. in Main Street
3. newer restaurant
4. is cheaper than

29. They will start their journey after the breakfast.

1. will start
2. their journey
3. They
4. after the breakfast

30. Parts of the given sentence have been underlined. The underlined parts



are given as options with some changes.  
Select the option that correctly rectifies  
the error.

He is good at playing the guitar than his  
brother.

- 1. is better
- 2. in playing
- 3. guitar
- 4. to

- 22. 1
- 23. 2
- 24. 1
- 25. 1
- 26. 3
- 27. 1
- 28. 4
- 29. 4
- 30. 1

**Cloze test 1**

- 1. 2
- 2. 2
- 3. 2
- 4. 2
- 5. 3

**Passage**

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

**ERRORS**

- 16. 1
- 17. 2
- 18. 3
- 19. 4
- 20. 3
- 21. 1

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