



Cloze Test

Perhaps one of the most talked about issues as (1) as the Northeast is (2) is the Naga struggle for sovereignty which started a day before India's Independence. In the Naga mind, this issue (3) between nostalgia for its unique (4) and the promise of a better future without disturbing this irreplaceable past. The problem with reality is that it does not allow us to (5) the past.

- 1. (a) long (b) far
(c) soon (d) relevant
- 2. (a) talked (b) discussed
(c) concerned (d) mentioned
- 3. (a) stands (b) oscillates
(c) sway (d) back and forth
- 4. (a) solution (b) stand
(c) location (d) history
- 5. (a) change (b) romance
(c) remove (d) forget

- A. In the study, researchers found that kids who experienced their growth spurt late had lower than average bone density in young adulthood.
- B. Teens who hit puberty late may end up with weaker bones, a new study finds.
- C. However, they continue to have lower bone strength even after

they finish growing and may be at greater risk for osteoporosis in adulthood.

- D. These later maturing teens do catch up with early maturing teens in terms of bone strength.

- 1. ACDB 2. BADC 3. BCDA
- 4. ADCB

- A. She started the Udaipur based organisation Shikshantar to create a space for selfdirected learning called 'unschooling'.
- B. It also organizes weeklong camps where children involve themselves in local communities and interact with other kids who don't attend school.
- C. Nidhi Jain has been an unschooling parent for over two decades.
- D. The organisation arranges everything from internships in filmmaking to cooking for unschooled kids.

- 1. DBAC 2. CBAD 3. ACDB
- 4. CADB

- A. "It's sort of cool to be on a ship but even more amazing is this Earth we live on," Williams remarked as she described life on a spaceship to eager kids.



B. Williams, who is set to be one of the first to fly aboard Boeing's Starliner spacecraft in November 2019, was introduced at the festival by former NASA astronaut Mike Massimino .

C. On Sept. 22, 2018 NASA astronaut Sunita Williams — a veteran of two long duration spaceflights — talked to families and space enthusiasts about space travel.

D. She was speaking at the Intrepid Air, Sea & Space Museum during the recent Space & Science Festival.

- 1. BCDA 2. CDBA 3. CBDA
- 4. BACD

A. According to hair loss experts, excess DHT drastically increases collagen production in the hair follicle.

B. Hair loss can be traced to an increase of internal Dihydrotestosterone (DHT) and collagen production.

C. Eventually, collagen blocks the pore completely causing a lack of necessary blood flow due to which your hair loses its sheen, thins down and finally you lose your hair completely.

D. When too much collagen lines the interior of the follicle, it narrows the pores, decreases

blood flow and slowly strangles your hair to death.

- 1. DABC 2. DCAB 3. BADC
- 4. BDAC

A. The boat floated down the river and reached the other bank.

B. Thinking that she was dead, her friends secretly took her and abandoned her in a boat.

C. The people on the bank took her to a hospital and saved her.

D. Smelling a flower given by the magician, Shweta fell down unconscious.

- (a) DABC (b) DBAC
- (c) ACDB (d) BCAD

Passage

One should consciously engage in activities that will nourish your soul. Just as we nourish the body, we need to nurture the soul to connect to the creative power of the universe and to manifest joy in our lives. Often, we forget to address the soul, lost as we are in a jungle of material and sensual pleasures. But the more you embrace what feeds your soul, the happier you become. So if you want to enjoy the abundance of life, engage in what enriches your soul. Nurturing the soul is all about finding calm amidst



chaos. There are a number of practices that empower people towards this end including silent contemplation, various forms of meditation, yoga and tai chi. However, the rigor and discipline involved in the pursuit of such practices often seems to discourage people.

Add to this, the temptations of the material world that leave little time and motivation for anyone to pursue the spiritual path. Poet Walt Whitman declared: "Whatever satisfies the soul is truth". The good news is that simple, everyday activities can also nourish the soul—like spending time in the midst of nature, dancing in the rain or just putting thoughts on paper. Do whatever is calming and pleases you. Creative pursuits are particularly appealing as inside each one of us, there is an artist craving for release and awaiting an opportunity for expression. One of the ways to indulge the artist within is to get started with the practice of any one or more of the creative art forms such as music, singing, dancing, acting, drawing, painting, sculpting, poetry, fiction or essay writing.

When you engage in such soul nourishing activities, all thought and energy gets focused toward goal accomplishment. At this point, you will find that even unknown forces of the universe are conspiring to assist you in your amateurish but sincere attempts. As you progress, you are motivated to do better. You touch and access a faculty, a part of you that you never knew existed. Your inner artist is unleashed, baring the

beauty of your soul that has found a fond medium of expression. For instance, a sculptor's soul is seen in his art work; a musician's in his compositions; an actor's in his acting, a painter's in his paintings and soon. It is immaterial whether your effort is an immaculate artwork or just a clumsy attempt by a layperson. The idea is to try, be inspired and to create giving free rein to the mind. As Michelangelo remarked: "I saw the angel in the marble and carved until I set him free"!

1. According to the passage, what makes us really happy?
 - a) A soulful music.
 - b) A soulful sculptures art.
 - c) Freeing our mind.
 - d) Embracing what feeds our soul.
2. According to the passage, why even our amateurish attempts motivate us?
 - a) Because even unknown forces of the universe are assisting us in them.
 - b) Because we never knew that this part ever existed inside us.
 - c) Because these amateur attempts of ours are insincere ones.
 - d) Because they still are clumsy and need improvement.
3. What activities can nourish soul?
 - a) Creative activities that needs your involvement.
 - b) Any activity that doesn't touch the soul.



- c) Peaceful and calming activities.
- d) Immaculate artwork.
- 4. What can you infer from Michelangelo's statement - "I saw the angel in the marble and carved until I set him free"?

 - a) Michelangelo's soul probably wanted to free the angel and hence his artwork portrayed the same.
 - b) Michelangelo didn't like the angel and hence wanted to do away with it
 - c) Michelangelo wanted his artwork to look as close to real as possible.
 - d) Michelangelo's mind felt free after setting the angel free in his artwork

- 5. Why do creative pursuits appeal us?

 - a) They nutrify our souls.
 - b) Inside each one of us, is an artist craving to come out.
 - c) They identify beauty of our body.
 - d) They are not simple activities.

Sentence Improvement

1. Please hear to what I am saying.

- 1. listen me when
- 2. listen to what
- 3. be hearing which
- 4. No substitution

2. The river overflow it's banks in the monsoon.

- 1. overflowed its banks

- 2. No substitution
- 3. overflows it's banks
- 4. overflowed its bank
- 3. He **went to foreign** for higher education.

 - 1. No substitution
 - 2. has gone to foreign
 - 3. went to abroad
 - 4. went abroad

- 4. I enjoy **to watch** a good detective movie.

 - A. watching
 - B. watched
 - C. No substitution
 - D. watch

- 5. I **couldn't got some sleep** because the people in the next room were talking very loudly.

 - A. couldn't get some sleep
 - B. couldn't get any sleep
 - C. couldn't got any sleep
 - D. No substitution

- 6. The authorities **are looked on the matter**.

 - A. No substitution
 - B. are looked into the matter
 - C. are looking into the matter
 - D. are looking on the matter

- 7. The tree was uprooted by the storm last evening, **isn't it?**



- A. didn't it B. wasn't it
- C. was it D. No substitution
- 8. **This is place** where Krishna was born.
- A. No substitution required
- B. This is the place
- C. This is a place
- D. This be the place
- 9. No sooner did it begin to rain **that all the guests** ran inside.
- A. No substitution required
- B. so that all the guests
- C. than all the guests
- D. when all the guests
- 10. **Tomatoes sown around July** in the southern states are harvested in October.
- A. Tomatoes sow around July
- B. Tomatoes sowing around July
- C. Tomatoes sown under July
- D. No substitution required

PQRS

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

PASSAGE

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

SENTENCE IMPROVEMENT

- 1. 2
- 2. 1
- 3. 4
- 4. A
- 5. B
- 6. C
- 7. B
- 8. B
- 9. C
- 10. D

Ans.

CLOZE TEST -1

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