

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 01

Deforestation in tropical regions can (1) the way water vapour is produced over the canopy, (2) causes reduced rainfall. A 2019 study published in the journal Ecohydrology showed that parts of the Amazon rainforest that (3) converted to agricultural land (4) higher soil and air temperatures, which could (5) drought conditions.

- 1. 1. hold 2. Attack 3. affect 4. effect
- 2. 1. whom 2. Which 3. where 4. who
- 3. 1. is 2. were 3. was 4. has
- 4. 1. had 2. did 3. was 4. has
- 5. 1. purify 2. inflame 3. provoke 4. aggravate

Cloze Test 02

Different foods in (1) food group have different nutrients. Picking an assortment within every food group (2) the week will help you get (3) nutrients. For example, choose seafood (4) of meat twice a week. The variety of foods will make (5) meals more interesting, too.

- 1. 1. various 2. everybody
- 3. each 4. other
- 2. 1. complete 2. between
- 3. throughout 4. every
- 3. 1. too 2. almost
- 3. many 4. very
- 4. 1. replace 2. instead
- 3. despite 4. away
- 5. 1. your's 2. yours
- 3. your 4. you

Cloze Test 03

A group of researchers has (1) that pleasure and positive states of mind are better for our health. This new intellectual approach to health is not only more powerful, but also has no side effects. Central to this claim are recent findings that even getting an education may add as much as 10 years to your (2). That is why National Geographic featured John de Rosen in its book The Incredible Machine, which discussed old age. De Rosen, an artist, continued to paint until the week he died at age 91. The book

notes: "Some scientists believe that retirement to a (3) lifestyle initiates or aggravates medical problems, thus shortening life. According to a study of retired people, adults over 65 can learn a (4) skill, like oil painting, as readily as younger students." So retiring from a job in a sense means retiring from life unless (5) by some other, preferably new activity.

- 1. 1. administrated 2. orchestrated
- 3. defenestrated 4. demonstrated
- 2. 1. insurance 2. charisma
- 3. planet 4. Life
- 3. 1. complimentary 2. sanitary
- 3. sedentary 4. segmentary
- 4. 1. native 2. creative
- 3. discriminative 4. exaggerative
- 5. 1. ornamented 2. pigmented
- 3. supplemented 4. experimented

Cloze Test 04

The Government is taking seriously the (1) of road safety and is committed to reducing the number of people killed in accidents. Forums are being conducted (2) to bring law-makers, law enforcement officers and road users together to discuss ways to (3) the rise in road accidents. Everyone agrees that more needs to be done on road safety in its determination to (4) the rate of road accidents in the country. The Government, with the cooperation of relevant agencies, is making serious (5) to instil proper road culture in children, young adults and the public in general.

- 1. 1. release 2. residue
- 3. issue 4. site
- 2. 1. regularly 2. habitually
- 3. terminally 4. rarely
- 3. 1. confess 2. tackle
- 3. conduct 4. deal
- 4. 1. curb 2. lure
- 3. incite 4. promote
- 5. 1. acknowledgements 2. powers
- 3. efforts 4. struggles

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Cloze Test 05

Mt. Mantap in North Korea has now been reported to have (1) from its original state after an underground nuclear test was carried out under it at the Punggye-ri nuclear test site on 3 September 2017. An international team of scientists (2) a special satellite radar imaging called synthetic aperture radar and seismic recordings to study the effects of the blast which (3) a 5.2 magnitude earthquake. The surface of the mountain was pushed (4) by almost 11 feet and then collapsed leaving the mountain about 20 inches (5).

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| 1. 1. relapsed | 2. clasped |
| 3. mapped | 4. collapsed |
| 2. 1. framed | 2. used |
| 3. urged | 4. deduced |
| 3. 1. altered | 2. neglected |
| 3. caused | 4. lost |
| 4. 1. wayward | 2. confined |
| 3. aligned | 4. outwards |
| 5. 1. different | 2. shorter |
| 3. proper | 4. greater |

Cloze Test 06

Strong mental health is not just the (1) of mental health problems. (2) mentally or emotionally healthy is (3) more than being free of depression, anxiety or other psychological issues. (4) than the absence of mental illness, mental health (5) to the presence of positive characteristics and positive outlook towards life.

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| 1. 1. adequacy | 2. absence |
| 3. attendance | 4. leave |
| 2. 1. Being | 2. Been |
| 3. As | 4. Be |
| 3. 1. many | 2. very |
| 3. much | 4. most |
| 4. 1. Sooner | 2. Neither |
| 3. Rather | 4. Whether |
| 5. 1. names | 2. means |
| 3. resembles | 4. refers |

Cloze Test 07

Can you (1) a deaf woman writing stories about a war? Well, Laura Redden Searing did this. Moreover, she went to foreign countries to write stories. She was very ill when she was 11 years old. Because of this, she lost her (2). She went to the Missouri School for the Deaf. Laura was 19 years old when she went to work for a newspaper. She wrote about people, places and art. In 1859, most women were just wives and (3). They did not work outside the home; otherwise, their husbands would be angry. Due to this feeling, Laura used a (4) name when she wrote her stories. She called herself Howard Glyndon. She thought that unless she used a masculine name, people would be (5) since they did not think that women should write for newspapers.

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| 1. 1. malign | 2. create |
| 3. conjure | 4. imagine |
| 2. 1. hearing | 2. suffering |
| 3. enduring | 4. inspiring |
| 3. 1. artists | 2. writers |
| 3. mothers | 4. teachers |
| 4. 1. woman's | 2. children's |
| 3. adult's | 4. man's |
| 5. 1. infantile | 2. versatile |
| 3. hostile | 4. infertile |

Cloze Test 08

In its 47 years of history, ISRO (1) breakthrough work in the field of technology and even (2) many vehicles into space. (3) the last 47 years, ISRO has improvised and developed technology, launching (4) indigenously created vehicles into space (5) form a part of the Indian space journey.

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| 1. 1. done | 2. do | 3. has done | 4. does |
| 2. 1. blocked | 2. stocked | 3. launched | 4. shared |
| 3. 1. Across | | 2. Over | |
| 3. Along | | 4. Among | |
| 4. 1. much | | 2. lots | |
| 3. very | | 4. several | |
| 5. 1. when | | 2. that | |
| 3. how | | 4. Who | |

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Cloze Test 09

Every evening, (1) a point midway along the arrow-straight road between Amritsar and Lahore, rival squads of (2) uniformed soldiers strut and stomp a 17th-century British military drill known as Beating Retreat. Barked commands, (3) glares and preposterously high kicks all signal violent intent. But then, lovingly and in (4), the enemies lower their national flags. Opposing guardsmen (5) shake hands, and the border gates roll shut for the night.

- 1. 1. in 2. along 3. on 4. at
- 2. 1. elatedly 2. gladly
- 3. splendidly 4. badly
- 3. 1. silly 2. witty
- 3. fierce 4. diverting
- 4. 1. unison 2. unlikeliness
- 3. discord 4. plenty
- 5. 1. brightly 2. curtly
- 3. critically 4. radically

Cloze Test 10

In Delhi, while the bigger schools transport their students in their own or hired buses; others rely on vans, autos and e-rickshaws where many reckless drivers pack in too many children and drive (1), often causing accidents. Many parents take time off their daily (2) to do school-runs. Some use vehicles while others just walk their children to school. Two months ago, it was reported how in the (3) of road-crossing facilities near schools, a bunch of parents were taking turns to play traffic marshals. Not so long ago, children could just walk or cycle to their schools, private tuition classes or sports practice. In fact, school authorities (4) to admit students living within walkable distances so that they wouldn't have to take the school bus or public transport. As Delhi grew, its children (5) not only traffic, broken infrastructure but also violence, air-pollution and overcrowded living conditions.

- 1. 1. humbly 2. decisively
- 3. rashly 4. commonly
- 2. 1. habit 2. routine

- 3. problems
- 4. task
- 3. 1. absence 2. non-compliance
- 3. defiance 4. reference
- 4. 1. rescued 2. guided
- 3. added 4. preferred
- 5. 1. faced 2. replied
- 3. called 4. relied

Cloze Test 11

Endurance was the three-masted ship in (1) Sir Ernest Shackleton and a (2) of 27 men sailed for the Antarctic on the 1914–1917 Imperial Trans-Antarctic Expedition. The ship, originally named Polaris, was built at Framnæs shipyard and (3) in 1912 from Sandefjord in Norway. After her commissioners could no longer pay the shipyard, the ship (4) bought by Shackleton in January 1914 for the expedition, which would be her first (5).

- 1. 1. which 2. who 3. that 4. where
- 2. 1. watch 2. team 3. crew 4. group
- 3. 1. released 2. launched 3. started 4. recovered
- 4. 1. were 2. was
- 3. is 4. are
- 5. 1. voyage 2. route
- 3. drive 4. hike

Cloze Test 12

With up to 50,000 species of spiders, spider habitats vary (1). Spiders are (2) to live anywhere in the world except Antarctica. They (3) not live in bodies of water or in the air, but can adapt (4) almost any type of environment: hot or cool, wet or (5), in the garden or in your house.

- 1. 1. widely 2. wide
- 3. widest 4. wider
- 2. 1. authorised 2. courageous
- 3. able 4. harboured
- 3. 1. done 2. do
- 3. does 4. did
- 4. 1. of 2. at
- 3. on 4. to
- 5. 1. damp 2. muggy
- 3. dewy 4. dry

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Cloze Test 13

More **(1)** half the States **(2)** Union Territories, including Covid-19 hotspots Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu, have not yet decided on a date **(3)** reopening schools, the Centre was told at a meeting. The remaining States are split between those **(4)** to reopen in August, **(5)** include Delhi and Bihar, and others who will not open until September, such as Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Kerala.

- 1. 1. where 2. than 3. then 4. when
- 2. 1. though 2. yet
3. or 4. and
- 3. 1. at 2. since
3. for 4. from
- 4. 1. willing 2. will
3. wills 4. willed
- 5. 1. whom 2. which
3. whose 4. what

Cloze Test 14

The Small Indian Mongoose, **(1)** its little round ears, is an **(2)** hunter and has a long snout-like face and short legs that have sharp claws. It **(3)** brown or greygrizzly fur and **(4)** in abandoned burrows or tunnels. **(5)** the rat-like appearance, mongooses are not rodents.

- 1. 1. of 2. to
3. from 4. with
- 2. 1. alive 2. alike
3. awake 4. agile
- 3. 1. has 2. had
3. have 4. having
- 4. 1. learns 2. leans
3. leaves 4. lives
- 5. 1. Instead 2. Apart
3. Often 4. Despite

Cloze Test 15

Nitrogen is essential to life **(1)** Earth. It is a component of all proteins, and it can be **(2)** in all living systems. Nitrogen compounds are **(3)** in organic materials, foods, fertilisers, explosives and poisons. Nitrogen is crucial to life, **(4)** in excess it can also be **(5)** to the environment.

- 1. 1. at 2. into 3. on 4. in
- 2. 1. founder 2. find 3. founded 4. found
- 3. 1. function 2. instant 3. immediate 4. present
- 4. 1. such 2. because 3. but 4. if
- 5. 1. harmful 2. pliable
3. optimistic 4. rational

Cloze Test 16

Coca-Cola is to become the new sponsor of the London Eye after **(1)** a deal to replace France's EDF Energy. The capital's giant Ferris Wheel has been a **(2)** tourist attraction since it was introduced in 2000, when it was **(3)** as the Millennium Wheel. It was previously **(4)** by British Airways before becoming the EDF Energy London Eye in 2011. Coca-Cola will take over in January after **(5)** a two-year deal with the wheel's owner, Merlin Entertainments, for an undisclosed sum.

- 1. 1. Assorting 2. Enclosing
3. Clearing 4. Signing
- 2. 1. Leading 2. Susceptible
3. Supportive 4. Mandatory
- 3. 1. Based 2. Inscribed
3. Published 4. Known
- 4. 1. Sponsored 2. Refused
3. kept 4. Authenticated
- 5. 1. Striking 2. Discovering
3. Forging 4. Hedging

Cloze Test 17

Ants, like most insects, have **(1)** are known as compound eyes. This means their eyes have multiple lenses, **(2)** in general, most species of ant do not have particularly great eyes for seeing **(3)** far. Ants can detect movement and see the areas around them, but **(4)** more on senses and information they get from their legs and antennae **(5)** from their eyes.

- 1. 1. whose 2. how 3. what 4. who
- 2. 1. whether 2. So 3. but 4. rather
- 3. 1. some 2. many 3. enough 4. very
- 4. 1. calculate 2. shout 3. rely 4. struggle
- 5. 1. than 2. when
3. then 4. thus

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Cloze Test 18

The Ministry of Defence has **(1)** the formal Government Sanction Letter **(2)** grant of permanent commission (PC) to women officers in the Army. "In anticipation, the Army Headquarters had **(3)** in motion a series of preparatory actions for conduct of the Permanent Commission Selection Board for affected women officers. The Selection Board will be scheduled as **(4)** as all affected Short Service Commissioned (SSC) women officers exercise their option and complete **(5)** documentation," the Army said in a statement.

- 1. 1. imbibed 2. accused
- 3. extracted 4. issued
- 2. 1. since 2. from 3. for 4. to
- 3. 1. deposited 2. set
- 3. located 4. situated
- 4. 1. soon 2. late 3. long 4. blind
- 5. 1. unnecessary 2. optional
- 3. gratuitous 4. requisite

Cloze Test 19

In Andhra Pradesh, low rainfall and increased **(1)** on borewells have led to soil aridity, while **(2)** snow and more rainfall has **(3)** the desertification crisis in Himachal Pradesh. On the other **(4)**, in Rajasthan, canals, tube-well irrigation and shelterbelts have **(5)** to an increase in the green cover.

- 1. 1. growth 2. support
- 3. addiction 4. dependence
- 2. 1. few 2. least
- 3. less 4. fewer
- 3. 1. deepen 2. deepened
- 3. deeper 4. deep
- 4. 1. half 2. hand
- 3. sides 4. case
- 5. 1. lead 2. led 3. leading 4. leads

Cloze Test 20

No matter how **(1)** time you **(2)** to improve your mental and emotional health, you will still need the company of **(3)** to feel and function at your best. Humans are social **(4)** with emotional needs for

relationships and positive connections to others. We're not meant to survive, **(5)** alone thrive, in isolation.

- 1. 1. many 2. great 3. more 4. much
- 2. 1. devote 2. promote 3. assess 4. proceed
- 3. 1. some 2. any 3. others 4. few
- 4. 1. kingdoms 2. populations
- 3. creatures 4. lives
- 5. 1. have 2. lest 3. let 4. get

Cloze Test 21

When he died on 27 November 1953, Gladstone O'Neill was **(1)** recognised as one of the major dramatists of the modern world. Four times a Pulitzer Prize-winner, he had also been **(2)** the 1936 Nobel Prize for Literature. His plays have been translated into most major languages and read by more people than those of **(3)** other playwright except W Shakespeare and maybe G Bernard Shaw. O'Neill was a puzzle to his friends – a genuinely shy, brooding, complicated man in whom **(4)** alternated with touching kindness. He was both, naive and worldly. One biographer found him "sentimental one instant, hard as nails the next." His widow, after 26 years with O'Neill, said, "To **(5)** his work you must understand the man, for the work and the man are one."

- 1. 1. manically 2. universally
- 3. specifically 4. casually
- 2. 1. rewarded 2. awarded
- 3. unaided 4. crowded
- 3. 1. none 2. few
- 3. any 4. some
- 4. 1. failure
- 2. success
- 3. benefit
- 4. cruelty
- 5. 1. prepare
- 2. produce
- 3. understand
- 4. demonstrate

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Cloze Test 22

All plants and animals need water to survive. There can be no life (1) earth without water. Why is water (2) important? It is (3) 60 percent of our body weight is made up of water. Our bodies use water in all the cells, organs, and tissues, to help (4) body temperature and (5) other bodily functions.

- 1. 1. at 2. on 3. into 4. upon
- 2. 1. so 2. as 3. few 4. much
- 3. 1. therefore 2. That 3. Because 4. so that
- 4. 1. quantify 2. collect 3. grate 4. regulate
- 5. 1. subjugate 2. obtain 3. release 4. maintain

Cloze Test 23

Words convey meaning, because they are used in human activities in different forms. Different words may (1) the same thing in different languages and this is what is referred to as 'family resemblance.' In other words, languages help us (2) reality and then communicate it to others. There are tens and thousands of languages in the world and all of them help us (3) express ourselves, which in turn, gives meaning to our life. One's mother tongue is (4) for one's literary growth, but if you want to communicate to a wider audience, then you will (5) to reach out to the target audience in a language they understand.

- 1. 1. meaningful 2. meaning
- 3. mean 4. meant
- 2. 1. commend 2. depend
- 3. comprehend 4. amend
- 3. 1. retrospectively 2. Secretly
- 3. effectively 4. lately
- 4. 1. essential 2. unimportant
- 3. auspicious 4. silent
- 5. 1. have 2. be
- 3. has 4. had

Cloze Test 24

Anthony Abraham, a 34-year-old crane driver, (1) managed to get out of the way of falling steel. Turning around, he could hardly believe the (2) scene that lay before him. Girders were (3) on top of the crane in a haphazard fashion, like gigantic pick up sticks. All he

could see of the machine was its rear wheels and a section of what had been the cab. Abraham (4) to the cab, shouting his friend George Burns' name. By then, three other iron workers had reached the (5) of the carnage. One of them yelled, 'George, can you hear me?' Over the din of the diesel engine, a strained voice responded.

- 1. 1. substantially 2. simultaneously
- 3. barely 4. rarely
- 2. 1. criminal 2. crooked
- 3. pleasant 4. horrible
- 3. 1. dived 2. piled
- 3. duped 4. riled
- 4. 1. shoved 2. raced
- 3. halted 4. assisted
- 5. 1. sign 2. trace
- 3. scene 4. sight

Cloze Test 25

Starting and (1) a positive daily morning routine is an investment and a way to do your best work every day. It also gives you structure, building forward-moving habits and creating momentum for the rest of the day. It helps you to (2) priorities, limit procrastination, keep track of your goals. Your brain is at its (3) in the morning. And you can get your best work and tasks done without struggle. But distractions can get the best of us. You get distracted and procrastinate. You make plans the previous day to get your most (4) task done first thing in the morning, but you don't follow through on them. You are able to get things (5) but not the right things.

- 1. 1. maintainable 2. Maintaining
- 3. maintain 4. maintenance
- 2. 1. established 2. establishing
- 3. establishment 4. establish
- 3. 1. pick 2. peak
- 3. pique 4. peek
- 4. 1. importantly 2. importance
- 3. important 4. Import
- 5. 1. doable 2. do
- 3. did 4. done

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Cloze Test 26

Delhi's meteorology **(1)** the quantity of chaff burnt play a greater role in **(2)** air quality than the time chosen by farmers in Punjab to start crop burning, a study argues. Crop burning, a traditional practice in Punjab and Haryana of **(3)** fields off rice chaff to prepare for winter sowing, begins around October and **(4)** in November, coinciding with the **(5)** of southwest monsoon.

- 1. 1. among 2. and 3. yet 4. but
- 2. 1. worsening 2. worsens 3. worsen 4. worse
- 3. 1. racing 2. raising 3. rising 4. razing
- 4. 1. leaks 2. creaks 3. falls 4. peaks
- 5. 1. availing 2. managing 3. running 4. Withdrawal

Cloze Test 27

Many forests are cleared to **(1)** way for palm oil plantations. Palm oil is the most **(2)** produced vegetable oil and is found in half of all supermarket products. It's cheap, versatile and can be added to **(3)** food and personal products like lipsticks and shampoo. **(4)** popularity has **(5)** people to clear tropical forests to grow more palm trees.

- 1. 1. made 2. take 3. make 4. give
- 2. 1. commonly 2. casually 3. lovingly 4. usually
- 3. 1. both 2. each 3. one 4. between
- 4. 1. Our 2. Its 3. It's 4. Their
- 5. 1. baffled 2. delighted 3. curated 4. prompted

Cloze Test 28

Speech pathologists are **(1)** in communication disabilities. They work within multidisciplinary health-care teams **(2)** a variety of hospital and community-based sites. This **(3)** working with medical, nursing, and allied health professionals such **(4)** psychologists, occupational therapists, social **(5)** and physiotherapists.

- 1. 1. quacks 2. teachers

- 3. experts 4. relatives
- 2. 1. across 2. after 3. by 4. about
- 3. 1. includes 2. included 4. including
- 3. include 4. including
- 4. 1. than 2. so 3. like 4. as
- 5. 1. migrants 2. workers 4. manuals
- 3. amateurs

Cloze Test 29

Regular check-ups are **(1)** for a car's top-notch performance, but did you know that there is a direct link **(2)** your car health and its emissions? A well-maintained car engine is **(3)** efficient and burns less gas, **(4)** reducing airborne emissions. Secondly, tyre pressure **(5)** always match the manufacturer-recommended Pounds Per Square Inch (PSI) rating.

- 1. 1. trivial 2. nominal 3. acute 4. vital
- 2. 1. along 2. among 3. between 4. across
- 3. 1. many 2. such 3. few 4. more
- 4. 1. hereby 2. yet 3. thereby 4. though
- 5. 1. have to 2. lest 3. must 4. would

Cloze Test 30

Latin may be the language that we **(1)** with the Roman Empire, but the question **(2)** the Romans spoke Latin or not **(3)** not have a simple Answer Rome grew from a tiny community in the middle of a culturally diverse peninsula into an empire that reached **(4)** Britain to Syria. As Rome's power spread, Romans also interacted with **(5)** of dozens of other languages.

- 1. 1. delink 2. remind 3. associate 4. imply
- 2. 1. whether 2. did 3. do 4. either
- 3. 1. do 2. should 3. does 4. done
- 4. 1. both 2. of 3. between 4. from
- 5. 1. capitals 2. speakers 3. principals 4. sleepers

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Scientists (1) Oxford University say their experimental coronavirus vaccine (2) been shown in an early trial to prompt a protective immune response in hundreds of people who got the shot. British researchers first began testing the vaccine in April in about 1,000 people, half of (3) got the experimental vaccine. Such early trials are usually designed only to (4) safety, but in this case, experts were also looking to see what kind of immune response was (5) .

- 1. 1. to 2. in 3. on 4. at
- 2. 1. was 2. had 3. have 4. has
- 3. 1. whose 2. what 3. whom 4. which
- 4. 1. elevate 2. criticise
3. dictate 4. evaluate
- 5. 1. reduced 2. provoked
3. sheltered 4. lessened

Cloze Test 32

Elephant Island's name is attributed to (1) its elephant head-like appearance and the sighting of elephant seals (2) Captain George Powell in 1821, one of the (3) sightings. (4), in Russia it is still known under the name (5) by its discoverers in 1821 – Mordvinova Island.

- 1. 1. either 2. also 3. both 4. neither
- 2. 1. through 2. from 3. among 4. by
- 3. 1. earlier 2. early
3. most early 4. earliest
- 4. 1. Thus 2. However
3. Thereby 4. Therefore
- 5. 1. released 2. sorted
3. given 4. looked

Cloze Test 33

The Crosses, the village (1) Vasili Andreevich lived, consisted of six houses. As soon as they had passed the blacksmith's hut, (2) last in the village, they realised that the wind was much stronger than they had thought. The road could hardly be seen. The tracks left by the sledge-runners were immediately (3) by snow and the road was only (4) by the fact that it was higher than the rest of the ground. There was a

swirl of snow over the fields and the line where sky and earth met could not be (5).

- 1. 1. when 2. we're 3. where 4. what
- 2. 1. an 2. the 3. one 4. a
- 3. 1. exposed 2. highlighted
3. covered 4. made
- 4. 1. anguished 2. Distinguished
3. crushed 4. extinguished
- 5. 1. seen 2. seeing 3. saw 4. see

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Apart from other pollutions, noise pollution – also known as environmental noise or sound pollution – is (1) issue related to human beings and the environment. It may have an (2) on general health. Compressors, generators and pipe handling are the (3) of noise. Long-term (4) to noise can (5) a variety of health hazards.

- 1. 1. other 2. another 3. once 4. one's
- 2. 1. impact 2. issue 3. problem 4. interest
- 3. 1. rise 2. effects 3. sources 4. original
- 4. 1. closure 2. exposure
3. safety 4. vicinity
- 5. 1. record 2. cause
3. mould 4. target

Cloze Test 35

When it (1) to witnessing wars, famines or disease outbreaks on the news, guilt may (2) us to volunteer or donate money. Watching the generosity of other people (3) play an active role in helping others is also guilt provoking, which can (4) turn activate us to take similar (5) thus paying forward.

- 1. 1. come 2. coming
3. comes 4. came
- 2. 1. desire 2. inspire
3. conspire 4. expire
- 3. 1. who 2. whose
3. whom 4. which
- 4. 1. with 2. for
3. in 4. off
- 5. 1. animation 2. action
3. apathy 4. commotion

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One of the most basic (1) of a human is food. Food is grown in various parts of the world according to the climatic (2) but one thing that all kinds of crops need (3) an exception is water. We all know (4) water, sunlight, and nutrition from the soil (5) key to a plant's growth.

- 1. 1. needed 2. needer 3. needful 4. needs
- 2. 1. weather 2. report 3. conditions 4. terms
- 3. 1. with 2. above 3. without 4. over
- 4. 1. then 2. that 3. what 4. when
- 5. 1. been 2. be 3. is 4. are

Cloze Test 37

Mahalia Jackson was (1) into a preacher's family in 1911, and she grew up in a riverfront shanty in New Orleans. She was motherless at five, working as a maid and laundress in her mid-teens. As a little girl, she would (2) to herself before she went to sleep, "Someday the sun is going to shine down on me in some faraway place." In pursuit of that dream, Mahalia migrated to Chicago when she was still a teenager. She never expected to support herself by singing, and by the time I joined her, the hands she used so expressively in her performances had (3) floors, (4) and helped her earn a living as a hotel maid, factory worker, beautician and florist. But her remarkable (5) brought her more and more invitations to sing at funerals, in churches, at concerts. And, through her warm friendly personality and a life based on sound spiritual values and hard work, she eventually found her place in the sun.

- 1. 1. Adorn 2. Worn 3. Born 4. Scorn
- 2. 1. Whisper 2. Glimmer 3. Crisper 4. Prosper
- 3. 1. Stubbed 2. Clubbed 3. Scrubbed 4. Grubbed
- 4. 1. Pondered 2. Laundered 3. Unsoldered 4. Considered
- 5. 1. keeping-skills 2. Voice 3. Beauty 4. Cleaning

Cloze Test 38

The role of the school and teachers (1) always been vital in the all-round personality (2) of students. In fact, a teacher is a role (3) influencing every facet of

the student's growth and developing (4) innate potential, in addition to (5) a motivator, guide and friend.

- 1. 1. were 2. has 3. having 4. have
- 2. 1. development 2. turbulence 3. occupation 4. validation
- 3. 1. replica 2. template 3. model 4. double
- 4. 1. its 2. there 3. their 4. our
- 5. 1. been 2. having 3. being 4. seeing

Cloze Test 39

Nuclear power for civil use is well (1) in India. Since building the two small boiling water reactors (2) Tarapur in the 1960s, its civil nuclear strategy (3) directed towards complete independence in the nuclear fuel cycle, necessarily (4) it is excluded (5) the 1970 Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT).

- 1. 1. implanted 2. founded 3. resurrected 4. established
- 2. 1. at 2. from 3. on 4. of
- 3. 1. have 2. have been 3. has been 4. has
- 4. 1. though 2. that 3. because 4. thus
- 5. 1. at 2. within 3. from 4. of

Cloze Test 40

Love is often thought to be the highest and most fulfilling emotion that men and women can (1). But it is also thought of in (2) to the various instincts in man. Therefore, we must (3) from the mystical point of view that love is the highest emotion of man and the one emotion that relates man to God. Love on every plane and level of life is an expression of God's will, working and expressing itself in man's consciousness. To express love on any level is good, but to express it as adoration of God is the (4) form of love and brings man into the greatest (5) with his inner self.

- 1. 1. condemn 2. express 3. attack 4. condone
- 2. 1. mention 2. inspection 3. position 4. relation
- 3. 1. realise 2. Comprehends 3. acknowledges 4. contrast
- 4. 1. smallest 2. latest 3. highest 4. largest
- 5. 1. suffering 2. harmony 3. menace 4. loathing

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 41

Tragedy has once again struck the Valachukettil family of Sooppikkada village in Kerala's Kozhikode district as one more member **(1)** to the Nipah virus infection on Thursday. District Medical Officer V Jayashree told that V Moosa, 60, who had been **(2)** treatment at Baby Memorial Hospital in the city, died on May 24 morning. This is the fourth death in the family as Moosa's sons Mohammed Sabith and Mohammed Salih, and sister-in-law Mariyam too had died of the infection **(3)** May. With this, the death **(4)** due to the virus infection has gone up to 12. Two persons, whose blood and body fluid samples were **(5)** positive for the infection, are undergoing treatment.

1. 1. died 2. succumbed
3. pioneered 4. embezzled
2. 1. working 2. managing
3. devising 4. undergoing
3. 1. through 2. on 3. in 4. for
4. 1. tole 2. toll 3. scroll 4. roll
5. 1. implemented 2. supported 3. tested 4. rested

Cloze Test 42

In order to fall asleep **(1)** night, strive to turn off all electronic devices at least 30 minutes **(2)** getting into bed. Allow your eyes to relax and take a break from the **(3)** of a lit screen. Read a book, write in a journal, or write **(4)** your to-do list for the **(5)** day.

1. 1. in 2. into
3. at 4. to
2. 1. former 2. before
3. previous 4. latter
3. 1. stimulation 2. spark
3. energy 4. illustration
4. 1. on 2. down
3. of 4. onto
5. 1. present 2. previous
3. following 4. preceding

Cloze Test 43

When it's your idea, you want to **(1)** about it all the time. I've had this problem on more than a few

occasions now. I know there shouldn't be any shame in **(2)** your work, but it's such a task to draw the line. In my case, since my work is all things related to social media, this problem gets even **(3)** convoluted. Long story short, I hate that I **(4)** have to worry about when it's okay to promote, and when it's **(5)**.

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| 1. 1. customise | 2. express |
| 3. talk | 4. meet |
| 2. 1. leaning | 2. demoting |
| 3. asking | 4. promoting |
| 3. 1. least | 2. less |
| 3. more | 4. most |
| 4. 1. occasionally | 2. constantly |
| 3. rarely | 4. never |
| 5. 1. not | 2. none |
| 3. nothing | 4. no |

Cloze Test 43

In a significant find, the Epigraphy Branch of the Archaeological Survey of India **(1)** discovered the earliest epigraphic evidence so far for the Saptamatrika cult. It is also **(2)** earliest Sanskrit inscription to have been discovered **(3)** South India as of date. Saptamatrikas are a group of seven female deities worshipped in Hinduism as personifying the energy of their respective consorts. The inscription is in Sanskrit and in Brahmi characters and was **(4)** by Satavahana King Vijaya in 207 A.D. The inscription came to light when some local villagers informed the authorities of the presence of a pillar with some engravings when they were restoring and **(5)** the local Bheemeshwara temple.

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| 1. 1. have | 2. has |
| 3. is | 4. are |
| 2. 1. an | 2. the |
| 3. a | 4. one |
| 3. 1. upon | 2. on |
| 3. In | 4. at |
| 4. 1. refused | 2. chased |
| 3. issued | 4. denied |
| 5. 1. repairing | 2. removing |
| 3. healing | 4. praying |

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 44

Every now and then there are going to be bad days, tough days, moods swings and all things nasty that may put a **(1)** on our happy days. At any given moment, however, we are the ones who can make a **(2)** between letting these things get in the way or pushing them right out by **(3)** time in things or people **(4)** make us happy. I've had this list of things that has made me happy for years now. I made it back in college to help me deal with some difficult times that I faced then. Even today, every now and then when things go **(5)** I always go back to this, and one or more things listed here always lights me up!

- 1. 1. makeup 2. smile
- 3. marker 4. damper
- 2. 1. choice 2. difference
- 3. gap 4. bridge
- 3. 1. investing 2. spending
- 3. expanding 4. spreading
- 4. 1. which 2. whom
- 3. who 4. where
- 5. 1. wrong 2. slow
- 3. right 4. fast

Cloze Test 45

Malti had to wait long to see her son, Abhik. She had worked hard to **(1)** her husband's last wish that Abhik should **(2)** his higher education at Cambridge. Abhik **(3)** to be meritorious and hardworking and had secured a seat. Making ends meet was **(4)** and a trip back home in the vacation, **(5)** for the mother and son.

- 1. a. cater b. fulfil
- c. perform d. satisfy
- 2. a. provide b. approach
- c. chase d. pursue
- 3. a. had proved b. was proving
- c. has proved d. proves
- 4. a. inspiring b. difficult
- c. severe d. worthy
- 5. a. uncouth b. unbearable
- c. unaffordable d. uncomfortable

Cloze Test 46

Communication plays a **(1)** role in the overall development of man. It can be learnt by our **(2)** efforts. Today, success in our professional life depends on our **(3)** to read, write and speak well which results in effective communication. Barriers **(4)** communication hinder the communication process. It is very important to **(5)** these barriers so that the transmission of the message can be smooth.

- 1. 1. better 2. total
- 3. vital 4. lifeless
- 2. 1. important 2. Contradictory
- 3. conscious 4. unclear
- 3. 1. facility 2. variety
- 3. ability 4. agility
- 4. 1. to 2. from
- 3. by 4. against
- 5. 1. succeed 2. overcome
- 3. create 4. strengthen

Cloze Test 47

Machines were made to be man's servants. Yet, man has grown so **(1)** on them that they are in a fair way to become his **(2)**. Already men spend most of their lives looking after and waiting **(3)** machines. Machines are very stern bosses. They must be fed with coal and **(4)** petrol to drink and oil to wash with and must be kept at an **(5)** temperature.

- 1. 1. inferior 2. Helpless
- 3. subordinate 4. dependent
- 2. 1. administrators 2. slaves
- 3. victims 4. masters
- 3. 1. from 2. under
- 3. upon 4. into
- 4. 1. gave 2. give
- 3. given 4. gives
- 5. 1. outdated 2. optimum
- 3. optimist 4. optional

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 48

'A stitch in time saves nine'. This wise saying suggests that an **(1)** action taken on time to rectify an error rules **(2)** the possibility of accumulation of such errors and future **(3)**. Wisdom, therefore lies in correcting the error as soon as it is **(4)**. There is no point-in allowing the **(5)** to grow and then take hasty actions to set things right.

- 1. 1. superficial 2. Appropriate
3. wrong 4. opposite
- 2. 1. for 2. out 3. in 4. at
- 3. 1. damages 2. Advantages
3. facilities 4. qualities
- 4. 1. managed 2. invented
3. proposed 4. discovered
- 5. 1. remedy 2. parody 3. melody 4. malady

Cloze Test 49

Discipline is doing any work with rules and regulations. It is **(1)** misunderstood as a restriction to freedom but it makes our life organized. Discipline is a **(2)** for students and people in different professions. A disciplined person always **(3)** in each and every field of life. Disciplined people **(4)** a disciplined society and a powerful nation. Discipline should not be **(5)** upon the people, rather it should come from within.

- 1. 1. proudly 2. slowly 3. usually 4. happily
- 2. 1. disadvantage 2. virtue
3. curse 4. dream
- 3. 1. succeed 2. succeeds
3. success 4. successful
- 4. 1. had made 2. makes 3. make 4. made
- 5. 1. adorned 2. imposed 3. curbed 4. reposed

Cloze Test 50

Milton Hershey returned to the village where he had been born, in the heart of dairy country. He opened his chocolate manufacturing plant **(1)** 145. With access to all the fresh milk he **(2)**, he began producing the finest milk chocolate. The plant **(3)** opened in a small Pennsylvania village is today the **(4)**

chocolate factory in the world. The confections created here are **(5)** around the world.

- 1. 1. in 2. on 3. at 4. to
- 2. 1. considered 2. needed
3. distributed 4. kneaded
- 3. 1. who 2. what 3. when 4. that
- 4. 1. most largest 2. large 3. largest 4. larger
- 5. 1. selections 2. choices
3. collections 4. favourites

Cloze Test 51

A **(1)** of trucks carrying soldiers was coming down the mountain road. The trucks **(2)** slowly as there had been heavy snowfall in that area . Suddenly, with a **(3)** a huge tree on the hill side fell bringing along with it boulders and mud. **(4)** , the driver of first truck stopped in time. The soldiers got down and started **(5)** the road.

- 1. a. flock b. convoy c. bevy d. crew
- 2. a. are moving b. was moving
c. were moving d. has moved
- 3. a. buzz b. crash c. splash d. scream
- 4. a. Logically b. Similarly c. Fortunately d. Magically
- 5. a. changing b. clearing
c. altering d. moving

Cloze Test 52

Atlas was made to hold the sky up on his shoulders as a punishment. Once, Hercules **(1)** to hold it for Atlas while the latter went looking **(2)** golden apples. When Atlas returned, he saw Hercules **(3)** hard to hold the sky. The weight of the sky **(4)** Hercules sweat and groan. Now Atlas did not want to **(5)** a job as arduous as that!

- 1. a. extended b. afforded
c. ordered d. offered
- 2. a. for b. after c. at d. on
- 3. a. tackling b. coping
c. struggling d. seeking
- 4. a. has made b. were making
c. was making d. make
- 5. a. take in b. take away
c. take back d. take out

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 53

Agra's marble-marvel has such an overwhelming presence (1) other monuments in the town have been relegated (2) oblivion. Amongst such 1 odd monuments in (3) town, the Red Taj is the most (4) and relatively well- reserved. The tomb in red sandstone was (5) by Ann Hessing, widow of a Dutch officer, after his death in 133.

- 1. a. If b. but c. that d. than
- 2. a. to b. on c. with d. by
- 3. a. an b. a c. their d. the
- 4. a. elegant b. active c. efficient d. adequate
- 5. a. built b. building c. build d. to build

Cloze Test 54

An Italian mayor has been cleaning the streets along with his councilors after their town (1) with no manual workers, it's reported. In fact, (2) was sweeping the piazza in front of the (3) church in preparation for market day, (4) the deputy mayor's father and a town councilor armed with a high-pressure hose. The town Zerfaliu's last (5) retired six months ago and nobody has been hired since then.

- "We can't do anything - we are blocked by bureaucracy," the mayor says.
- 1. 1. has left 2. leaves 3. was left 4. was leaving
 - 2. 1. he 2. she 3. they 4. it
 - 3. 1. local 2. next 3. neighbour 4. near
 - 4. 1. also 2. along 3. as well 4. alongside
 - 5. 1. worker 2. councillor
 - 3. mayor 4. member

Cloze Test 55

In 1414 a war began in Europe which engulfed the entire world. The damage (1) by this war has no precedent in history. (2) the earlier wars, the civilian populations were (3) not involved and the casualties were mostly (4) to the warring armies. The war (5) began in 1414 was a total war in which all the resources of the warring states were mobilized.

- 1. 1. generated 2. made
- 3. caused 4. began
- 2. 1. Into 2. At

- 3. In
- 4. On
- 3. 1. broadly 2. chiefly
- 3. generally 4. finally
- 4. 1. belonged 2. bound
- 3. confined 4. restrained
- 5. 1. what 2. whom
- 3. who 4. which

Cloze Test 56

Canada is three times the size of India (1) its population is only about 26 million. The average (2) of population is less than three persons per square kilometer (3) Canada. The distribution of population is highly (4). Nearly 3 per cent of the people (5) in a narrow belt less than 3 kilometer wide along the southern border. The rest of the country has a very sparse population due to excessive cold.

- 1. 1. so 2. but 3. until 4. because
- 2. 1. density 2. frequency
- 3. consistency 4. quantity
- 3. 1. into 2. on 3. in 4. at
- 4. 1. differing 2. Infrequent
- 3. uneven 4. rough
- 5. 1. live 2. remain
- 3. survive 4. subsist

Cloze Test 57

There was still a light on in Mo's room. He often stayed (1) reading late into the night. Meggie had (2) her love of books from him. When she (3) refuge with him from a bad dream, nothing could lull (4)back to sleep better than Mo's calm breathing (5) her and the sound of the pages turning.

- 1. 1. out 2. away
- 3. for 4. up
- 2. 1. extracted 2. gained
- 3. procured 4. inherited
- 3. 1. takes 2. has taken
- 3. took 4. will take
- 4. 1. his 2. it
- 3. her 4. them
- 5. 1. beside 2. behind
- 3. against 4. around

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 58

Perhaps India should listen to her (1) sages who taught the importance (2) balance. This means we should be (3) not to take anything too far (4) be too radical. The unfortunate results of (5)- too far are obvious in the environmental degradation.

- 1. 1. extinct 2. antique
- 3. initial 4. ancient
- 2. 1. for 2. by
- 3. of 4. in
- 3. 1. carefree 2. careful
- 3. caretaker 4. careless
- 4. 1. but 2. otherwise
- 3. or 4. so
- 5. 1. risking 2. climbing
- 3. pioneering 4. venturing

Cloze Test 59

Telling someone something that you admire about them can be called a random act (1) kindness. It takes almost no (2), yet it pays enormous dividends. Many people (3) their entire lives wishing that others would (4) them. Expectations are more from family and friends, (5), even compliments from strangers feel good if they are genuine.

- 1. 1. in 2. with 3. from 4. of
- 2. 1. effort 2. attempt 3. work 4. venture
- 3. 1. spend 2. spent
- 3. have been spending 4. had spent
- 4. 1. admit 2. Acknowledge
- 3. confess 4. concede
- 5. 1. so 2. unless
- 3. and 4. however

Cloze Test 60

Leaving his car with the valet, he (1) the hotel and joined the large crowd milling (2) He found a badge waiting for him (3) the receptionist's table and took his (4) in the rear of the hall. When the place was (5) the moderator welcomed the crowd.

- 1. 1. entered 2. accessed
- 3. admitted 4. invaded
- 2. 1. aside 2. about

- 3. out
- 4. into
- 3. 1. by 2. at
- 3. in 4. over
- 4. 1. stand 2. couch
- 3. seat 4. lounge
- 5. 1. empty 2. stuffed
- 3. completed 4. filled

Cloze Test 61

Ironically, the dams that were constructed to (1) floods have triggered floods due to sedimentation in the reservoir. The (2) of water from dams during heavy rains aggravated- the flood situation (3) Maharashtra and Gujarat in . The floods (4) not only life and property but also caused soil erosion. Sedimentation (5) the plains of silt, a natural fertilizer.

- 1. 1. reduce 2. control
- 3. resist 4. dominate
- 2. 1. restraint 2. collection
- 3. release 4. liberation
- 3. 1. among 2. through
- 3. along 4. in
- 4. 1. Devoured 2. Plundered
- 3. smashed 4. devastated
- 5. 1. destroyed 2. deprived
- 3. disabled 4. distributed

Cloze Test 62

The Bhopal gas tragedy has been described as the world's (1) industrial disaster. Forty two tonnes of methyl isocyanate (2) from the steel containers (3) the Union Carbide factory and released a cloud of (4) gas. It left a legacy of instant and (5) death.

- 1. 1. worse 2. bad
- 3. best 4. worst
- 2. 1. flowed 2. emitted
- 3. released 4. leaked
- 3. 1. beside 2. at
- 3. across 4. along
- 4. 1. abominable 2. incurable
- 3. deathly 4. merciless
- 5. 1. averted 2. detained
- 3. momentary 4. deferred

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 63

English is not a language that **(1)** in India. But it is used extensively in **(2)** country. India comes second on the list of countries **(3)**most English speakers, albeit not as the first language. English is more **(4)**than any single Indian language! It has managed to **(5)**the entire world.'

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| 1. 1. created | 2. developed |
| 3. originated | 4. derived |
| 2. 1. the | 2. a |
| 3. one | 4. an |
| 3. 1. among | 2. from |
| 3. with | 4. by |
| 4. 1. frequented | 2. extended |
| 3. comprehensive | 4. prevalent |
| 5. 1. saturate | 2. pervade |
| 3. invade | 4. persuade |

Cloze Test 64

Although a wild elephant, Chinna Thambi did not grow up entirely in the wild. For over the last **(1)** he has had easy **(2)** to food at Thadagam, a village surrounded by the Western Ghats near Coimbatore. Brick **(3)** tempted him with **(4)** of water and he loved the palm pith that was used as **(5)** for baking bricks.

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|--------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| 1. 1. summer | 2. annual | 3. decade | 4. festival |
| 2. 1. entry | 2. approach | 3. access | 4. way |
| 3. 1. tub | 2. kilns | 3. store | 4. jar |
| 4. 1. many | 2. much | 3. plenty | 4. load |
| 5. 1. matter | 2. logs | 3. fuel | 4. fodder |

Cloze Test 65

Marine Conservation Society is hosting the Anjarle Turtle festival 4, aiming to make more people aware about Olive Ridley turtles. The sea **(1)** get their names from their olive-coloured **(2)** They grow to about two feet in **(3)** and reportedly mate at around 1 kilometers from the Anjarle **(4)** These turtles come to the beach to lay **(5)**.

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|--------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| 1. 1. fish | 2. animal | 3. snakes | 4. turtles |
| 2. 1. shells | 2. wings | 3. beaks | 4. feathers |
| 3. 1. length | 2. depth | 3. weight | 4. growth |
| 4. 1. beach | 2. festival | 3. sea | 4. sand |

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|------------|---------------|
| 5. 1. eggs | 2. pebbles |
| 3. shells | 4. young ones |

Cloze Test 66

Democracy should **(1)** dignity of the individual. It should also aim at the **(2)** good of the greatest **(3)**. The opposition party should **(4)** the wrong plans, policies and decisions of the government in power. The government should cater to the **(5)** needs of the people to make its position solid.

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|----------------|---------------|
| 1. 1) built | 2) ensure |
| 3) keep | 4) support |
| 2. 1) greatest | 2) smallest |
| 3) largest | 4) heaviest |
| 3. 1) people | 2) digit |
| 3) number | 4) individual |
| 4. 1) rely on | 2) against |
| 3) support | 4) oppose |
| 5. 1) genuine | 2) mere |
| 3) emotional | 4) luxurious |

Cloze Test 67

Seoul's city government is asking people for help to correct poorly translated street signs with prizes on offer for **(1)** who spot the most errors. It's running **(2)** two-week campaign calling on Koreans and foreigners **(3)** to keep their eyes peeled for **(4)** in English, Japanese and Chinese text, the Korea Times reports. There's a **(5)** focus on public transport signs, maps and information signs at historic sites, as part of a drive to improve the experience of foreign tourists in the South Korean capital.

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|-------------------|----------------|
| 1. (a) this | (b) those |
| (c) that | (d) these |
| 2. (a) one | (b) the |
| (c) an | (d) a |
| 3. (a) same | (b) similarly |
| (c) alike | (d) likely |
| 4. (a) guffaws | (b) blunder |
| (c) oversight | (d) mistakes |
| 5. (a) particular | (b) important |
| (c) signifying | (d) meticulous |

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 68

Eager to control the South Atlantic, the British Navy had tasked Admiral Byron (1) settling an island off the South American coast (2) ships could resupply and then finding an alternative (3) to the East Indies. After rounding the tip of South America, Admiral Byron confronted the world's (4) body of water: the endless Pacific Ocean. After a month of empty blue horizon, a tiny island (5). Byron joyously described the island's "beautiful appearance- surrounded by a beach of the finest white sand - and covered with tail trees."

- 1. (a) for (b) from
(c) of (d) with
- 2. (a) there (b) when
(c) where (d) wherever
- 3. (a) route (b) road
(c) path (d) means
- 4. (a) larger (b) large
(c) more larger (d) largest
- 5. (a) came out (b) appeared
(c) showed (d) stood up

Cloze Test 69

Pigeon racing has become increasingly popular in parts of China (1) the country's elite and its middle class. Sun Yan, the deputy general-secretary of Beijing Racing Pigeons Association, (2) that at least 155,555 pigeon breeders live in Beijing, and (3) 45,555 of them are registered with Racing at (4) levels, to qualify for the games held in the spring and autumn. Competitions can be lucrative for (5) owners, with some prizes amounting to tens of thousands of dollars. Liu said in recent years, pigeon racing has been surging in popularity across China.

- 1. (a) Against (b) Along
(c) Among (d) About
- 2. (a) Said (b) Clarified
(c) Told (d) Advised
- 3. (a) Utmost (b) Almost
(c) Nearby (d) exact
- 4. (a) Different (b) Differed
(c) Differential (d) differ

- 5. (a) Pigeons (b) Birds
(c) Animal (d) Bird

Cloze Test 70

The political condition of India in the Eighteenth century was one of the extreme disunities. (1) the decline of the Mughal empire, no (2) Indian power emerged to take its (3) in strength and prestige and to unite the (4) under a central authority. The Marathas who rose (35) the position of pre-eminence among the new Indian states did not prove capable of fulfilling that task.

- 1. (a) with (b) in
(c) when (d) on
- 2. (a) one (b) another
(c) other (d) more
- 3. (a) niche (b) place
(c) role (d) seat
- 4. (a) region (b) territory
(c) country (d) state
- 5. (a) to (b) at
(c) on (d) over

Cloze Test 71

During the reign of Aurangzeb, the last of the Mughals, there (1) revolts against the empire. (2) were the revolts of the Marathas, the Sikhs, the Jats and (3) others. After the death of Aurangzeb, the Mughal empire began to (4) fairly fast. The country soon (5) into smaller territories many of which became more or less independent.

- 1. (a) have been (b) was
(c) are (d) were
- 2. (a) These (b) It
(c) That (d) This
- 3. (a) more (b) many
(c) each (d) every
- 4. (a) disperse (b) disturb
(c) disrupt (d) disintegrate
- 5. (a) broke in (b) broke off
(c) broke out (d) broke up

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 72

M. Ananda Kumar, scientist, Nature Conservation Foundation says that elephants are "engineers of the ecosystem. He explains : they are seed (1) . Forests without (2) have been observed to not have young (3) at all. This is because (4) species disperse seeds only through elephants." The animals are phenomenal at (5) themselves to new ecological conditions and negotiating a problem.

- (a) Collectors (b) Makers
(c) Eater (d) Dispersers
- (a) engineers (b) elephants
(c) conservation (d) seeds
- (a) Saplings (b) Species
(c) Seeds (d) elephants
- (a) all (b) certain
(c) no (d) every
- (a) explaining (b) adapting
(c) expanding (d) structuring

Cloze Test 73

Dusk sets in at the Varagaliar elephant camp deep within the Anamalai Tiger Reserve (ATR). It's dinner time for the -year-old tusker and he's (1) balls made of steamed ragi flour mixed (2) some rice, green gram, salt and jaggery.(3) are half-a-dozen Forest Department (4) around, including V. Ganesan, the Field Director (155)ATR.

- (a) fed (b) feed
(c) feeding (d) feeds
- (a) from (b) of
(c) with (d) by
- (a) Nowhere (b) There
(c) Everywhere (d) Here
- (a) person (b) employee
(c) minister (d) officials
- (a) on (b) of
(c) among (d) between

Cloze Test 74

Advertising is the promotion of goods and services. It provides an (1) to the manufacturing companies to sell their (2) better than their competitors. Every time

we switch (3) the television we find some product or the other (4) pushed towards us. It cannot be denied that the (5) behind commercial advertising is to increase sales and earn more profit.

- (a) occasion (b) opportunity
(c) event (d) excuse
- (a) compounds (b) outcome
(c) products (d)creation
- (a) at (b) off (c) on (d) in
- (a) being (b) be (c) been (d) to be
- (a) influence (b) feeling
(c) emotion (d) motive

Cloze Test 75

There are certain spheres of one's life in which one should go by one's own (1) rather than follow another's counsel. The choice (2) one's subject of study is one such sphere. (3) one is genuinely interested in a subject, one (4) never opt for it. India is already full of (5) pegs in round holes, who are unfit for their roles and are doing more harm than good.

- (a) option (b) choice
(c) possibility (d) alternative
- (a) between (b) at (c) am (d) of
- (a) Although (b) Since (c) Even if (d) Unless
- (a) ought (b) would (c) could (d) should
- (a) square (b) small (c) circular (d) large

Cloze Test 76

The Matryoshka doll is also called the Russian nesting doll. It is a SET (1) wooden dolls decreasing in size and (2) inside one another. The first such SET (3) in 45. The figures inside may be of (4) gender. The smallest doll is the baby, made from (5) single piece of wood.

- (a) of (b) for (c) by (d) in
- (a) situated (b) placed (c) occupied (d) located
- (a) is made (b) has been made
(c) made (d) was made
- (a) neither (b) some
(c) every (d) either
- (a) a (b) an
(c) the (d) each

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 77

Tourism can cause social, cultural or environmental disruptions. The greatest concern is (1) damage to environment. In order to attract more tourists, (2) resorts are built which take neither the local architecture (3) the ecology into consideration. Natural systems get (4) as a result of indiscriminate construction to provide water (5) waste disposal facilities along with recreational arrangements to tourists.

- 1. (a) the (b) a (c) one (d) an
- 2. (a) spreading (b) sprawling (c) stretching (d) scheming
- 3. (a) no (b) or (c) nor (d) none
- 4. (a) distracted (b) destroyed (c) displayed (d) dismayed
- 5. (a) also (b) and (c) but (d) as

Cloze Test 78

In a way, adult education is an educational movement through the medium (1) village schools. In the beginning, the (2) were suspicious. It was hard to persuade (3) to realise that they were really getting something (4) the schools. They were not at all sure that they wanted their (5) to leave their homes.

- 1. (a) of (b) by (c) in (d) from
- 2. (a) children (b) officers (c) politicians (d) villagers
- 3. (a) them (b) they (c) him (d) us
- 4. (a) to (b) from (c) by (d) for
- 5. (a) parents (b) children (c) teachers (d) villagers

Cloze Test 79

When you enter a restaurant, you take your (1) and you are served a glass of water. You take your (2) to decide what you should order. When a (3) appears, you ask him the routine question, "(4) do you have?" The waiter will begin to recite (5) day's menus, generally with nothing new in it, but you like hear it all over again.

- 1. (a) seat (b) stage (c) counter (d) plate
- 2. (a) place (b) wallet (c) pen (d) time
- 3. (a) cleaner (b) waiter (c) manager (d) friend
- 4. (a) When (b) What (c) How (d) Why

- 5. (a) a (b) the (c) an (d) this

Cloze Test 80

The endurance of the crowds lining the Coronation route was most commendable. Soaked, chilled and sleepless,(1) remained wonderfully good-tempered and when the procession finally (2) they cheered whole-heartedly. The great merit of a (3) crowd is that its members remain individuals. It is (4) characteristic of the British culture that British people can collect in crowds(5) do not turn into mobs.

- 1. (a) we (b) it (c) they (d) he
- 2. (a) entered (b) appeared (c) joined (d) finished
- 3. (a) british (b) french (c) Indian (d) Asian
- 4. (a) only (b) therefore (c) perhaps (d) moreover
- 5. (a) Which (b) what (c) who (d) whom

Cloze Test 81

A raptor's day begins soon after dawn. They (1) their wings for a quick warm-up and are ready for the hunt. Nature (2) these birds so well that they do not need to hunt everyday. By (3) a good kill on a particular day, the larger raptor can go without hunting (4) two or three weeks. These predators can do without regular meals. This helps them to (5) if there is bad weather or lack of food.

- 1. (a) flee (b) flap (c) flow (d) fling
- 2. (a) have built (b) has build (c) has built (d) have build
- 3. (a) making (b) having (c) doing (d) taking
- 4. (a) in (b) from (c) for (d) since
- 5. (a) satisfy (b) saturate (c) survive (d) support

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 82

Ragi is a popular annual plant that is **(1)** with healthy nutrients. It is a good **(2)** of iron, protein, calcium and **(3)** minerals. It is also rich in fibre and **(4)** in weight loss as it contains **(5)** saturated fats.

- 1. (a) loaded (b) full
(c) complete (d) supplied
- 2. (a) cause (b) spring
(c) origin (d) source
- 3. (a) further (b) another
(c) other (d) else
- 4. (a) aids (b) services
(c) help (d) benefit
- 5. (a) negligible (b) applicable
(c) communicable (d) negotiable

Cloze Test 83

What does the word scout mean? During a war a soldier is chosen to go **(1)** of an army in order to **(2)** out where the enemy is. He then **(3)** back to the commander all the **(4)** he has gathered about the **(5)** . Such a soldier is known as a scout.

- 1. (a) behind (b) before
(c) ahead (d) after
- 2. (a) call (b) bring
(c) carry (d) find
- 3. (a) sends (b) tells
(c) carries (d) reports
- 4. (a) information (b) news
(c) messages (d) communication
- 5. (a) commanders (b) army
(c) soldiers (d) enemy

Cloze Test 84

Lord Baden Powell, the founder of Scouting was himself an army scout. During **(1)** war in South Africa, when soldiers **(2)** not easily available, he selected a few boys **(3)** worked as messengers and did a wonderful **(4)** as little scouts. Since then, the Scout Movement has **(5)** throughout the world.

- 1. (a) a (b) one (c) an (d) any
- 2. (a) were (b) have (c) had (d) are
- 3. (a) who (b) whose (c) whom (d) which

- 4. (a) post (b) job
(c) work (d) thing
- 5. (a) scattered (b) extended
(c) spread (d) stretched

Cloze Test 85

Wild monkeys are a problem for farmers in many areas in Japan. **(1)** often come out of the woods to **(2)** the tasty vegetables and fruit on farms. **(3)** year, they cause heavy damage to crops. **(4)** the farmers are fighting back. In 55, a small village in Nagano **(5)**a program to protect crops with the help of dogs. They are known as monkeys, dogs and they are trained to scare monkeys away.

- 1. (a) It (b) They
(c) Those (d) Them
- 2. (a) get (b) cut
(c) eat (d) waste
- 3. (a) All (b) Whole
(c) This (d) Every
- 4. (a) Because (b) However
(c) Moreover (d) Since
- 5. (a) continued (b) started
(c) embarked (d) instigated

Cloze Test 86

The woolly mammoth was a very large elephant-like mammal that lived on Earth several thousand years **(1)**. Some mammoths grew to be four meters **(2)** and the largest weighed almost nine tons. **(3)** male and female mammoths had very large tusks and walked **(4)** every continent except Australia **(5)** South America. Sadly, these giant creatures became extinct.

- 1. (a) before (b) past (c) ahead (d) ago
- 2. (a) low (b) lofty
(c) huge (d) high
- 3. (a) Either (b) Each
(c) Every (d) Both
- 4. (a) on (b) into
(c) under (d) in
- 5. (a) and (b) also
(c) or (d) but

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 87

Mount Agung is a volcano on the popular tourist island of Bali in Indonesia. The volcano (1) in November 12. More than 134,555 people were (2) to safe areas in advance. They (3) housed far away from the volcano. (4), some had refused to leave. These people did not (5) to leave their homes. They wanted to take care of their farms and animals.

- (a) fired (b) blasted (c) exploded (d) erupted
- (a) exited (b) left (c) abandoned (d) evacuated
- (a) were (b) have (c) is (d) had
- (a) However (b) Because (c) Whether (d) Moreover
- (a) desire (b) wish (c) long (d) fancy

Cloze Test 88

The last mammoths, who were very large elephant-like animals, lived as recently as 4,555 years ago. (1) their well-preserved bodies can be (2) frozen in the tundra of Siberia. Because (3) bodies were so well protected from decay (4) the permafrost, their genetic material remained intact. (5) at Harvard University are researching ways to bring the mammoth back to life.

- (a) But (b) And (c) Because (d) So
- (a) found (b) unearthed (c) uncovered (d) got
- (a) their (b) them (c) they (d) its
- (a) at (b) in (c) on (d) from
- (a) Doctors (b) Scientists (c) Investigators (d) Engineers

Cloze Test 89

The modern CEO is very much at the (1) of the political and media stage. It leaves them open to being identified as (2) for economic injustice. The increasingly public role taken (3) CEOs is related to a renewed corporate focus on (4) social responsibility. Firms must now balance between making profits and fulfilling corporate social (5).

- (a) margins (b) forefront (c) background (d) beginning

- (a) scapegoats (b) victims (c) accused (d) retainers
- (a) on (b) by (c) from (d) with
- (a) his (b) their (c) its (d) our
- (a) responsibility (b) target (c) outcome (d) priority

Cloze Test 90

It was a crime of passion of such disfiguring violence that Victorian London (1) scandalized. In November 1315, Felix Deacon, a young lithographer who had (2) for a married woman, Sarah Ann Peacock, was attacked (3) the street. His assailant was not her husband but another man, a dentist who was equally (4) with Mrs. Peacock and therefore saw Deacon as a (5).

- (a) is left (b) left (c) has left (d) was left
- (a) tripped (b) fallen (c) cared (d) come
- (a) into (b) in (c) through (d) at
- (a) hurt (b) bent (c) working (d) smitten
- (a) mediator (b) rival (c) opponent (d) friend

Cloze Test 91

A massive fire in Chennai destroyed 134 cars (1) to a private cab aggregator. (2) blaze is suspected to have been triggered (3) tall dried grass caught fire from a discarded (4) cigarette butt, said a rescue services (5)

- (a) Were belonging (b) Belonging (c) Belongs (d) Belonged
- (a) A (b) The (c) Some (d) One
- (a) Until (b) Of (c) After (d) By
- (a) Lighting (b) Smouldering (c) Smoking (d) Firing
- (a) Special (b) Official (c) Culprit (d) Victim

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 92

Screen time is an inescapable reality of modern childhood, with kids of every age (1) hours upon hours in front of ipads, smartphones and televisions. That's not always a bad thing: Educational apps and TV shows (2) great ways for children to sharpen their developing brains and (3) their communication skills ---not to mention the break these (4) provide to harried parents. But tread carefully : A number of troubling studies connect delayed cognitive (5) in kids with extended exposure to electronic media.

- (a) complying (b)spending
(c) earning (d)cheating
- (a) are (b) is (c) were (d) have been
- (a) improve (b) burnish
(c) dull (d) freshen
- (a) vessels (b) gadgets
(c) utensils (d) products
- (a) increment (b) improvement
(c) progress (d) change

Cloze Test 93

Eating white bread and ready meals could be killing us, according to the first major study linking "ultra-processed" food with (1) death. The study of 45,555 middle-aged people found that every 15 percent increase in (2) of "ultra-processed food" was linked to a 14 per cent (3) risk of death within the next eight years. Previous research has linked consumption (4) foods like white bread, ready meals, sausages, sugary cereals, fizzy drinks to a higher risk of high blood (5) and cancer.

- (a) quiet (b) easy (c) early (d) late
- (a) input (b) digestion (c) intake (d) making
- (a) increased (b) declined
(c) decreased (d) improved
- (a) of (b) on (c) in (d) from
- (a) pressure (b) infection
(c) clotting (d) coagulation

Cloze Test 94

China is the largest producer of pork, but it (1) a big problem at the moment. There is an epidemic (2) is killing its pigs. The virus was first (3) in August last year, but one million pigs have died by now. It is a (4) virus and when a pig catches it , it dies. China thinks that one third of (5) pigs are going to die by the end of this year.

- (a) faced (b) was facing
(c) face (d) is facing
- (a) who (b) which (c) what (d) whom
- (a) discovered (b) searched
(c) learned (d) invented
- (a) violent (b) cruel (c) bloody (d) deadly
- (a) theirs (b) hers
(c) his (d) its

Cloze Test 95

People make plastic products by mixing the plastic with additives. The additives (1) it difficult to recycle the plastic. To recycle plastic things, (2) grind them up first, but this new (3) is not easy to use again. A laboratory in California made a new type (4) plastic to deal with this problem. (5) scientists put the new plastic in a high-acid solution, the plastic and the additives break apart. People can then easily reuse plastic.

- (a) make (b) makes
(c) is making (d) was making
- (a) persons (b) personnel
(c) human beings (d) people
- (a) component (b) material
(c) thing (d) object
- (a) to (b) with
(c) in (d) of
- (a) But (b) Until
(c) When (d) Then

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 96

Every morning, 4-year old Khushi becomes guardian to her five-year old sister Ankita as (1) hold hands and cross the railway tracks to (2) the school. The sisters leave home (3) 2 am with school bags larger (4) their torsos. The 2 km route they walk on foot to reach school (5) includes walking past a railway crossing and through the lanes of an industrial area used by mini trucks and carrier vehicles.

- 1. (a) them (b) she (c) they (d) we
- 2. (a) reach (b) arrive (c) go (d) come
- 3. (a) at (b) on (c) from (d) in
- 4. (a) than (b) to (c) with (d) from
- 5. (a) hardly (b) daily (c) widely (d) evenly

Cloze Test 97

It was a matter of (1) pleasure that the Chief of Police himself came up to us and congratulated us on our successful efforts in reducing the (2) of child marriages in our area. We were also (3) by other (4) present at the event. Our dear leader, the founder of our NGO, Mr. Kumar was (5) by the mayor with a bouquet.

- 1. 1. Huge 2. Terrific 3. vast 4. immense
- 2. 1. Limit 2. Aggregate 3. number 4. quota
- 3. 1. Understood 2. Valued 3. respected 4. appreciated
- 4. 1. Notables 2. Dignitaries 3. commoners 4. hum
- 5. 1. recommended 2. Given 3. felicitated 4. Commended

Cloze Test 98

India (1) a rich cultural heritage. We are inheritors of several grand (2) in the fields of music, fine arts, dance, drama etc. Our scriptures are the storehouses of (3) wisdom. Our saints aspired to the (4) of the infinite. We have (5) great spiritual values contrasted with which materialistic progress of the West appears insignificant.

- 1. 1. Has 2. was 3. did 4. Had
- 2. 1. Values 2. Treasures 3. memories 4. Interests
- 3. 1. Proficiency 2. Spiritual 3. ethnic 4. Knowledge

- 4. 1. Activity 2. realisation 3. dimension 4. ancient
- 5. 1. inherited 2. tradition 3. numerous 4. Cultural

Cloze Test 99

Dill ate, and ate and ate. He hadn't eaten (1) last night. He used all his money for a ticket, (2) the train, as he had done many times, coolly chatted with the conductor, to (3) Dill was a familiar sight, but he had not the nerve to invoke the rule on small children travelling a distance alone; if you've lost your money the conductor will (4) you enough for dinner and your father will (5) him back at the end of the line.

- 1. 1. Since 2. about 3. for 4. because
- 2. 1. Climbed 2. boarded 3. walked 4. ran
- 3. 1. Whom 2. whose 3. whoever 4. Who
- 4. 1. Take 2. lend 3. lent 4. Borrow
- 5. 1. Charge 2. lend 3. pay 4. Take

Cloze Test 100

The Amazon rainforest is an awe-inspiring natural wonder that (1) across several South American countries, including Brazil, Peru, Colombia, and Ecuador. Covering an (2) area of 5.5 million square kilometres, it is the largest tropical rainforest on Earth. The Amazon jungle is (3) for its remarkable biodiversity, harbouring an astonishing array of plant and animal species that are still being discovered and studied. The dense vegetation of the jungle creates a (4) and complex ecosystem, supporting countless species and providing crucial ecosystem services such as carbon sequestration and climate regulation. It is also home to (5).

- 1. 1. reaches 2. amounts 3. lengths 4. spans
- 2. 1. estimated 2. evaluated 3. rated 4. gauged
- 3. 1. acclaimed 2. great 3. renowned 4. pre-eminent
- 4. 1. vibrant 2. vigour 3. spirited 4. lavish
- 5. 1. indigenous 2. ancient 3. late 4. organic

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 101

South Korea is the most cosmetically (1) country on Earth. Beauty editors estimate that it is because of the government's heavy investment (2) industry. It is ahead of its competitors, and its citizens (3) twice as much on skincare products as consumers in the United States, the UK, and France. Korean shoppers are (4) the world's most discerning. Eight out of 10 Korean women in their 20s and 30s use an app that (5) like a cosmetics-specific, to debate the merits of various common ingredients.

- 1. 1. early 2. advanced 3. ancient 4. primitive
- 2. 1. of the 2. in the 3. by the 4. from the
- 3. 1. cherish 2. propagate 3. comply 4. spend
- 4. 1. though 2. although 3. maybe 4. perhaps
- 5. 1. stops 2. functions
- 3. dissolves 4. malfunctions

Cloze Test 102

When another old cave is discovered in the south of France, it is not (1) in news. Rather, it is an ordinary event. Such discoveries are so (2) these days that hardly anybody pays heed to them. However, when the Lascaux cave complex was discovered in 1940, the world was (3). Painted directly on its walls were hundreds of scenes showing how people lived thousands of years ago. The scenes show people hunting animals, such as bison or wild cats. Other images (4) birds and, most noticeably, horses, which appear in more than 300 wall images, by far (5) all other animals.

- 1. 1. usually 2. nearly 3. merrily 4. suitably
- 2. 1. ghastly 2. frequent 3. delusional 4. disorderly
- 3. 1. overthrown 2. crushed 3. encouraged 4. baffled
- 4. 1. depict 2. determine 3. imprint 4. require
- 5. 1. outlasting 2. outreaching
- 3. outnumbering 4. outsourcing

Cloze Test 103

It is said that everyone lives (1) selling something. What you can (2) from this statement is that teachers live by selling knowledge, philosophers live by selling wisdom and priests earn their living by selling

spiritual comfort. Though it may be possible to measure the value of material goods in terms of money, it is extremely difficult to (3) the true value of the services which people perform for us. There are times when we would (4) give everything we possess to save our lives, yet we might grudge paying a surgeon a high fee for offering us precisely the same service. The (5) of society are such that skills have to be paid for in the same way that goods are paid for at a shop.

- 1. 1. by 2. over 3. of 4. into
- 2. 1. revive 2. separate 3. choose 4. derive
- 3. 1. conceal 2. extort 3. mock 4. estimate
- 4. 1. thoughtfully 2. perfectly 3. thoroughly 4. willingly
- 5. 1. conditions 2. interferences
- 3. obstacles 4. connections

Cloze Test 104

Among the largest species of cats in the world, tigers are powerful hunters with (1) teeth, strong jaws and agile bodies. They range across Asia from Russia all the way to Sumatra and mainland Southeast Asia. Researchers still have much to learn (2) these beautiful, endangered (3). There is currently one recognized species of tiger, Panthera tigris. Scientists have further (4) the tiger into nine subspecies: the extinct Bali, Caspian and Javan subspecies, and the living Malayan, Sumatran, South China, Indochinese, Bengal and Amur (or Siberian) subspecies. Of these six subspecies, AZA-accredited zoos currently manage three: Amur, Malayan, and Sumatran. The Smithsonian's National Zoo and Conservation Biology Institute is home to Sumatran and Amur tigers; Sumatran tigers are (5) as Critically Endangered on the International Union for Conservation of Nature's Red List, and Amur tigers have been classified as Endangered.

- 1. 1. Long 2. Small 3. Sharp 4. Blunt
- 2. 1. About 2. With 3. Into 4. Along
- 3. 1. Dogs 2. Rabbits 3. Elephants 4. Cats
- 4. 1. Declared 2. Restricted
- 3. Classified 4. Generalized
- 5. 1. Detailed 2. Recorded
- 3. Listed 4. Numerated

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 105

Discrimination refers to the inequitable or (1) treatment of individuals or collectives on the basis of attributes such as ethnicity, sex, age and sexual orientation. Studies have indicated that the perception of discrimination can (2) a series of stress-induced alterations in an individual's mental, physiological and behavioural responses. The experience of stress is known to elicit unfavourable emotional reactions, including but not limited to (3), despair and resentment. Furthermore, anxiety has been linked to a rise in health-compromising behaviours such as smoking, drinking and (4) drug use, while simultaneously causing a (5) in health-promoting activities such as quality sleep and vigorous exercise.

- 1. 1. tragic 2. biased 3. systematic 4. pathetic
- 2. 1. motivate 2. inspire 3. support 4. trigger
- 3. 1. deafness 2. impairment 3. death 4. anxiety
- 4. 1. prescribed 2. mandatory 3. legitimate 4. illicit
- 5. 1. unfruitful 2. upheaval 3. decline 4. rise

Cloze Test 106

Swans are large waterbirds that (1) to the family Anatidae, which also includes ducks and geese. They (2) for their beauty and grace and are often used as symbols of love, fidelity, and elegance. They are also famous for their (3) features, such as their long necks, large wingspans, and striking white feathers. (4), not all swan species are white; the Black Swan, (5), has black feathers with a red bill. Swans are found on every continent and are known for their strong pair bonds. They mate for life and can live up to 20 years.

- 1. 1. belonging 2. belong 3. belonged 4. belongs
- 2. 1. are known 2. have knowing
- 3. had know 4. were known
- 3. 1. popular 2. distinctive 3. similar 4. finite
- 4. 1. Consequently 2. Formerly
- 3. Because 4. However
- 5. 1. for example 2. in addition
- 3. after all 4. of course

Cloze Test 107

The concept of motivation focuses on explaining what 'moves' behaviour. In fact, the term (1) is derived from the Latin word 'movere', referring to movement of activity. Most of our everyday explanation of (2) is given in terms of motives. Motives also help in making (3) about behaviour. A person will work hard in school, in sports, in business, in music, and in many other situations, if he/she has a very strong need for (4). Hence, motives are the general states that enable us to make predictions about behaviour in many different situations. In other words, motivation is one of the (5) of behaviour. Instincts, drives, needs, goals, and incentives come under the broad cluster of motivation.

- 1. 1. human behaviour 2. instinct
- 3. motivation 4. psychology
- 2. 1. behaviour 2. motivation 3. goal 4. incentive
- 3. 1. directions 2. predictions
- 3. decisions 4. clarifications
- 4. 1. motivation 2. desire 3. grow 4. achievements
- 5. 1. meaning 2. ways 3. determinants 4. causes

Cloze Test 108

Rabindranath Tagore founded a small school at Santiniketan in 1901 and Kala Bhavan, an art school, in 1919 which (1) became a part of the Visvabharati University founded in 1921. Located in an (2) village some distance from the city of Calcutta, Kala Bhavan presented an alternative methodology of art training, in which studio based practice was (3) in favour of learning through observation and living as a part of nature. The natural surroundings with the (4) of bare red earth dotted with trees, the colours of the changing seasons, the animals and birds (5) inspiration to students.

- 1. 1. later 2. slower 3. faster 4. better
- 2. 1. idyllic 2. normal 3. reliable 4. magical
- 3. 1. investigated 2. rejected 3. accepted 4. aspired
- 4. 1. vistas 2. murk 3. haze 4. band
- 5. 1. agreed 2. provided 3. groomed 4. refused

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 109

The London Eye, formally known as Millennium Wheel, was officially called the British Airways London Eye and then the Merlin Entertainments London Eye. The London Eye, a giant Ferris Wheel, is situated **(1)** the banks of the River Thames in London, England. Since 20 January 2011, its official name is the EDP Energy London Eye following a three-year sponsorship deal. The **(2)** structure is 135 m tall and the wheel has a diameter of 120 m or 394 feet. This Ferris Wheel, which is the tallest in Europe, claims to be the most popular paid tourist **(3)** in the United Kingdom. It is visited by over 3.5 million people annually making it London's most popular tourist attraction for which an admission fee is charged and is sometimes credited with sparking a worldwide revival of Ferris wheel Construction When erected in 1999 it was the tallest Ferris wheel in the world. Until **(4)** first by the 160 m Star of Nanchang in 2006 and then the 165 m Singapore Flyer in 2008. **(5)** by an A-frame on the side only, the Eye is described as 'the world's tallest cantilevered observation wheel'. It provides the highest public viewing point and can be considered as the 20th tallest structure in London.

- 1. 1. with 2. on 3. for 4. into
- 2. 1. entire 2. remedial 3. deceptive 4. generous
- 3. 1. juncture 2. emergency
- 3. attraction 4. agreement
- 4. 1. advanced 2. negotiated
- 3. disbursed 4. surpassed
- 5. 1. Consumed 2. Credited
- 3. Supported 4. Required

Cloze Test 110

Global warming is a significant **(1)** issue that requires immediate attention. The **(2)** of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere has led to a **(3)** increase in average temperatures worldwide. This phenomenon **(4)** various adverse effects on the environment, including **(5)** weather patterns and rising sea levels.

- 1. 1. detrimental 2. controversial
- 3. environmental 4. beneficia

- 2. 1. production 2. emission
- 3. reduction 4. extraction
- 3. 1. temporary 2. ineffective 3. large 4. gradual
- 4. 1. causes 2. results 3. prevents 4. contributes
- 5. 1. erratic 2. constant 3. predictable 4. stable

Cloze Test 111

Necessity is an **(1)** force that compels a man to do things. It stirs the mind so **(2)** that it causes great unrest that continues until the necessity is **(3)** . As order comes out of **(4)** chaos so does an invention out of some **(5)** .

- 1. 1. essential 2. unpredictable
- 3. irresistible 4. inconceivable
- 2. 1. gracefully 2. slowly
- 3. violently 4. massively
- 3. 1. perturbed 2. committed
- 3. concerned 4. fulfilled
- 4. 1. utter 2. least 3. perfect 4. analytical
- 5. 1. amity 2. abstrusity
- 3. necessity 4. ability

Cloze Test 112

Fire is a significant factor in human **(1)**. The Stone Age man was the first to discover and use fire, which provided him **(2)** and a means to cook food. Initially, he produced fire by rubbing two stones, and the **(3)** between two stones generated fire. But this process was very **(4)** and he wanted to discover a less laborious way of producing fire. For this he had to first preserve the fire. He discovered a fire band and carried it everywhere. This discovery led to the invention of torches and lamps that could be used for **(5)** , and preserving flame. So, we can say that fire is an accidental invention.

- 1. 1. rotation 2. regression 3. recession 4. evolution
- 2. 1. warm 2. coldness 3. hot 4. warmth
- 3. 1. smoothness 2. friction 3. cohesion 4. retraction
- 4. 1. uncontainable 2. cumbersome
- 3. manageable 4. controllable
- 5. 1. illumination 2. confusion 3. dullness 4. darkness

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 113

A **(1)** is a type of attack in which an attacker attempts to gain access to a user's sensitive information by posing as a trustworthy entity. Phishing attacks can take many forms, including email, text message, or phone call scams. To protect against phishing attacks, it's important to be **(2)** of the warning signs, such as requests for personal information or suspicious links. Other strategies include using anti-phishing software and staying up-to-date on the latest **(3)**. If you suspect that you've fallen victim to a phishing attack, it's important to take **(4)** as soon as possible. Despite the risks associated with phishing, many people continue to fall prey to these scams, underscoring the importance of **(5)** and caution when using the internet.

- 1. 1. virus 2. spam 3. phishing 4. firewall
- 2. 1. negligent 2. indifferent 3. aware 4. doubtful
- 3. 1. bugs 2. updates 3. patches 4. vulnerabilities
- 4. 1. risks 2. disadvantages
- 3. measures 4. advantages
- 5. 1. complacency 2. curiosity
- 3. vigilance 4. scepticism

Cloze Test 114

A man is not bad **(1)** birth but circumstances make him bad. He was a kind man and wanted to join a **(2)** circus. His ambition was not fulfilled **(3)** his parents did not agree. He held his family and society **(4)** for the frustration of his dreams. Therefore, he became **(5)** with everyone.

- 1. 1. by 2. from 3. at 4. for
- 2. 1. rescuing 2. tour 3. furnishing 4. travelling
- 3. 1. any 2. thus 3. as 4. while
- 4. 1. responsible 2. abiding
- 3. noteworthy 4. righteous
- 5. 1. amiable 2. inimical 3. aloof 4. sociable

Cloze Test 115

The expansive **(1)** stretched as far as the eye could see, its vastness seeming endless. Majestic mountains towered in the distance, their peaks **(2)** by a thin layer of snow. A gentle breeze whispered

through the **(3)** trees, rustling their vibrant leaves. The air **(4)** the sweet fragrance of the flowers, filling the surroundings with a delightful aroma. As the sun began to set, the sky transformed into a radiant canvas, painted with **(5)** of orange, pink, and gold.

- 1. 1. sea 2. park 3. landscape 4. desert
- 2. 1. filled 2. piled 3. covered 4. spread
- 3. 1. shrivelled 2. withered 3. shrinking 4. lustrous
- 4. 1. pushed 2. flung 3. threw 4. carried
- 5. 1. brushes 2. tins 3. sheets 4. hues

Cloze Test 116

The **(1)** traveller embarked on an exciting **(2)** through uncharted lands, seeking adventure and discovery. Armed **(3)** a tattered map and a curious spirit, he ventured into the dense forest, where the air was thick with the **(4)** of wildlife that echoed through the trees. The path ahead was obscured by overgrown vegetation and tangled roots, challenging his every step. With unwavering **(5)**, he pushed forward, drawn by the allure of the unknown.

- 1. 1. adventurous 2. lazy 3. worried 4. sleepy
- 2. 1. journey 2. swim 3. walk 4. visit
- 3. 1. with 2. along 3. in 4. for
- 4. 1. touch 2. visuals 3. sounds 4. smell
- 5. 1. realisation 2. imagination
- 3. protection 4. determination

Cloze Test 117

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- 1. 1. has 2. had 3. and 4. have
- 2. 1. that 2. here 3. there 4. this
- 3. 1. do not 2. have not 3. does not 4. did not
- 4. 1. obstructing 2. regarding
- 3. concerned 4. related
- 5. 1. information 2. material 3. opinions 4. illustration

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 118

(1), there are numerous products available for customers to select from, whether they are using a physical store or (2) online shopping platform. Almost every product or brand has (3) own USP, packaging, colour combinations and more as marketing tactics, which it uses to market itself to the customers in a (4) manner. Brands find it (5) challenging to engage consumers as their attention spans are dwindling at an accelerated rate.

- 1. 1. Long ago 2. In future
- 3. Today 4. Yesterday
- 2. 1. an 2. in
- 3. a 4. the
- 3. 1. its 2. their
- 3. there 4. it's
- 4. 1. minute 2. silent
- 3. unique 4. strangely
- 5. 1. increase 2. increasing
- 3. increasingly 4. increased

Cloze Test 119

Many years ago, when the art of stunting plants was quite unheard of (1) in remote areas of India, Buddhist monks in isolated monasteries in Tibet stunted trees like the oak, orange tree, peepal tree, etc, watching with (2) the tree still flowering and (3) fruit regardless of this 'deformity'. Since the trees looked so artistically (4), the art was learnt by some Chinese monks who taught 'Bonsai' making, an art that became most sought (5) in China.

- 1. 1. except 2. always
- 3. expect 4. excerpt
- 2. 1. entertainment 2. embarrassment
- 3. excitement 4. encouragement
- 3. 1. losing 2. rising
- 3. bearing 4. ending
- 4. 1. beautiful 2. cheerful
- 3. harmful 4. fruitful
- 5. 1. about 2. with
- 3. for 4. after

Cloze Test 120

Trees are one of the gifts of the nature which are of great (1) for all living beings and environment. They have (2) benefits to living beings providing natural herbs, vegetables, fruits, wood, timber, etc. Trees are the (3) of many birds and insects. They are also considered as the (4) part of the atmosphere which help in reducing pollution. Conserving trees and spreading awareness to plant trees will save the atmosphere from depletion and (5) survival of all forms on earth.

- 1. 1. revolution 2. transformation
- 3. renovation 4. importance
- 2. 1. minor 2. ample
- 3. acute 4. less
- 3. 1. refuge 2. terrain
- 3. abode 4. asylum
- 4. 1. trivial 2. superficial
- 3. integral 4. petty
- 5. 1. refuse 2. pretend
- 3. ensure 4. rebuke

Cloze Test 121

The concept of (1) refers to the ability of an organism to change in response to its environment. Adaptation can occur through (2), which involves genetic changes passed down from one generation to the next, or (3) ontogeny, which involves changes in an individual's lifetime. Adaptation is a fundamental concept in biology, and it plays a crucial role in the (4) of species over time. Organisms that are well-adapted (5) their environment are more likely to survive and pass on their genes to future generations.

- 1. 1. genetics 2. ecology 3. evolution 4. adaptation
- 2. 1. modification 2. learning
- 3. mutation 4. conditioning
- 3. 1. since 2. through 3. from 4. by
- 4. 1. extinction 2. classification
- 3. diversification 4. management
- 5. 1. of 2. towards 3. to 4. in

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 122

The newspapers are the **(1)** of day-to-day happenings in the world. They add to our **(2)** not only about our own country but also about world affairs. The newspapers also express their opinions about social and political problems through their **(3)**. They, mould the readers into their own way of thinking. That is why the newspaper is considered a source of **(4)**. In a democracy, the press is a link between the government and the people. It gives news as to what the government is doing. It reflects public opinion as well. It teaches the citizens their rights and **(5)**.

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| 1. 1. habitat | 2. location |
| 3. storehouse | 4. warehouse |
| 2. 1. knowledge | 2. enjoyment |
| 3. senses | 4. declaration |
| 3. 1. editorials | 2. research |
| 3. thoughts | 4. design |
| 4. 1. enchantment | 2. power |
| 3. entertainment | 4. refinement |
| 5. 1. range | 2. remedies |
| 3. regulations | 4. responsibilities |

Cloze Test 123

(1) need for school education reform is impossible to deny on countless fronts in India, from the rule of rote that's suboptimal for **(2)**, to pedagogies that instil fear of math **(3)** students, especially girls. But while ideating reforms, education policymakers should remember what past experiments **(4)** them. Remember CCE, continuous and comprehensive evaluation, which was ushered in with hosannas in 2009 but unceremoniously kicked out in 2017. All the turmoil and toil it **(5)** amounted to zilch in the end. Good idea, poor execution, its epitaph reads.

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| 1. 1. The | 2. A | 3. In | 4. An |
| 2. 1. be learnt | 2. learned | 3. learning | 4. learn |
| 3. 1. of | 2. among | | |
| 3. on | 4. between | | |
| 4. 1. teaching | 2. teaches | | |
| 3. will teach | 4. taught | | |

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| 5. 1. generating | 2. are generate |
| 3. is generate | 4. generated |

Cloze Test 124

Let others know **(1)** you are trying to routinely hold crucial conversations. **(2)** what you are doing and why. Here it is worth to mention that over half a century ago, Dr. Kurt Lewin, the father of social psychology, **(3)** that when subjects made a public **(4)** to do something, they were more likely to stay the course than if they **(5)** their wishes to themselves. Tell people what your goals are.

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| 1. 1. which | 2. who |
| 3. that | 4. what |
| 2. 1. Conceal | 2. Explain |
| 3. Dream | 4. Dramatize |
| 3. 1. spoke | 2. knew |
| 3. exclaimed | 4. learned |
| 4. 1. display | 2. scene |
| 3. commitment | 4. apology |
| 5. 1. conceal | 2. kept |
| 3. flanked | 4. continue |

Cloze Test 125

The left handed pages **(1)** for the student to use individually, but they may of course be used by the **(2)** as a source of ideas and information on which to base a lesson. The student then has the left-hand page as a/an **(3)** of what has been taught and can refer to it in the **(4)**. The exercises can be done **(5)**, in class or as homework.

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| 1. 1. written | 2. write |
| 3. wrote | 4. are written |
| 2. 1. musician | 2. artist |
| 3. student | 4. teacher |
| 3. 1. anecdote | 2. record |
| 3. allusion | 4. illustration |
| 4. 1. past | 2. progression |
| 3. future | 4. lecture |
| 5. 1. individually | 2. collaboratively |
| 3. publicly | 4. ideally |

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 126

The French (1) was a period of great social and political upheaval in France that lasted from 1789 to 1799. It (2) with the storming of the Bastille, a symbol of royal tyranny, and culminated in the rise of Napoleon Bonaparte as the dominant figure in French politics. The Revolution brought about sweeping changes to French society, including the (3) of the monarchy, the establishment of a democratic republic, and the (4) of many feudal privileges. Despite its many achievements, however, the Revolution was also characterised by violence, terror, and political (5).

- 1. 1. Uprising 2. Recuperation
- 3. Mutiny 4. Revolution
- 2. 1. commenced 2. concluded
- 3. intervened 4. hesitated
- 3. 1. abolition 2. restoration
- 3. continuation 4. preservation
- 4. 1. maintenance 2. exaggeration
- 3. amplification 4. elimination
- 5. 1. harmony 2. stability
- 3. upheaval 4. reconciliation

Cloze Test 127

The service industry in India is growing (1). Increasing customer expectations have forced organisations in the industry to (2). service innovations and explore ways to improve revenues and profitability. The hotel industry is a good example of the service business (3). organisations are modifying their service delivery (4). to attract greater number of customers. The newly emerging micro-stay segment is (5). space for itself in the hotel industry.

- 1. 1. marginally 2. rapid
- 3. rapidly 4. slow
- 2. 1. marvel 2. criticise
- 3. introduce 4. degenerate
- 3. 1. whom 2. which
- 3. when 4. where
- 4. 1. approaches 2. tastes
- 3. subjects 4. issues

- 5. 1. generating 2. ricocheting
- 3. deteriorating 4. counterfeiting

Cloze Test 128

Everyone (1) that paper is made from trees. But when one looks at trees, one cannot imagine that something as soft and (2) as paper is made from a tree that is so hard and strong. Plant materials such as wood are made of fibres known as cellulose. Cellulose is the primary (3) in papermaking. Raw wood is first (4) into pulp, which consists of a mixture of cellulose, lignin, water and some chemicals. The pulp can be made mechanically through grinders or through chemical processes. The paper (5) in this way is weak and is used to make newspapers, magazines and phonebooks.

- 1. 1. admits 2. assures
- 3. knows 4. feels
- 2. 1. fragile 2. healthy
- 3. dashing 4. awful
- 3. 1. choice 2. force
- 3. ingredient 4. advantage
- 4. 1. invested 2. implied
- 3. converted 4. managed
- 5. 1. considered 2. involved
- 3. produced 4. emphasised

Cloze Test 129

KIPS, with its vast (1) in School Computer Education, (2) the computer Series- Cyber Beans. This is the (3) comprehensive computer series, (4) is free from rote learning. While designing this series, a lot of effort has been put in to give each (5) a practical shape.

- 1. 1. share 2. experience
- 3. belief 4. membership
- 2. 1. has designed 2. is designing
- 3. designed 4. will design
- 3. 1. more 2. least
- 3. great 4. most
- 4. 1. which 2. whose 3. who 4. that
- 5. 1. views 2. process 3. concept 4. aspect

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 130

Climate change is a pressing global issue that demands immediate **(1)**. The Earth's climate is undergoing **(2)** changes primarily due to human activities, such as burning fossil fuels and deforestation. The consequences of climate change are **(3)** and include rising global temperatures, extreme weather events, and biodiversity loss. To mitigate these effects, it is crucial to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote renewable energy sources, and adopt sustainable **(4)**.

Additionally, raising awareness and educating the public about the importance of conservation and environmentally friendly practices are essential. Cooperation and international **(5)** are needed to address climate change collectively.

- 1. 1. difference 2. delay 3. action 4. apathy
- 2. 1. simple 2. honest 3. profound 4. hard
- 3. 1. short-sighted 2. clean
- 3. far-reaching 4. inadequate
- 4. 1. solutions 2. results
- 3. effects 4. consequences
- 5. 1. instances 2. efforts 3. direction 4. cases

Cloze Test 131

Exploitation in the marketplace happens in various **(1)**. For example, sometimes traders indulge in **(2)** trade practices such as when shopkeepers weigh less than what they should or when traders add charges that were not mentioned before, or when **(3)** goods are sold. Markets do not work in a fair manner when producers are few and powerful whereas consumers purchase in small amounts and are **(4)**. This happens especially when large companies are producing these goods. These companies with huge wealth, power and reach can **(5)** the market in various ways.

- 1. 1. ways 2. means 3. status 4. paths
- 2. 1. ethical 2. partial 3. unfair 4. decent
- 3. 1. adulterated 2. diseased 3. liquid 4. purified
- 4. 1. organised 2. disorderly
- 3. scattered 4. concentrated

- 5. 1. employ 2. manipulate 3. exercise 4. surrender

Cloze Test 132

A stone that is constantly rolling cannot gather moss, while a stone that remains lying in one **(1)** will gather it after a time. In the same way, a man who is a rolling stone, who is constantly **(2)** his occupations and pursuits, and does not settle **(3)** long for any particular work, achieves little or no **(4)** in life. One who is constantly chopping and changing will never become wealthy and get success in life. He will merely be dissipating his energies, and will get nowhere. As the proverb says, 'He who hunts two hares, loses **(5)**'.

- 1. 1. locality 2. place 3. size 4. society
- 2. 1. agile 2. active 3. moving 4. changing
- 3. 1. upon 2. below 3. after 4. down
- 4. 1. seniority 2. success 3. majority 4. priority
- 5. 1. nothing 2. everything 3. both 4. equal

Cloze Test 133

Human life is **(1)** a unique blessing, which in turn depends on the **(2)** of the Self. He who is not aware of the Self can neither have peace nor can he foster peaceful coexistence. We have to link our soul with God and body with the physical world for substance. **(3)** the formless God is invisible to the naked eye, our mind often wanders wherever it goes. **(4)**, we are unable to develop any love for the Divine. And religion like the white light of heavens **(5)** multi-coloured fragmentations by the prisms of men and loses its gravity. Instead of uniting, it becomes a major dividing force. French philosopher Tail hard de Chardin, thinking deeply on meaning of our existence and relationship with the Divine, expounds, "we are not human beings having a spiritual experience, we are spiritual beings having a human experience".

- 1. 1. consider 2. to consider
- 3. considered 4. considering
- 2. 1. aware 2. known 3. awareness 4. witness
- 3. 1. For 2. As per 3. Since 4. From
- 4. 1. As a result 2. Causing
- 3. As a reaction 4. As a reason
- 5. 1. break into 2. breaks to
- 3. breaks into 4. break from

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 134

The Sun is the star at the center of **(1)** Solar System. It is a nearly perfect ball of hot plasma. The Sun has inspired us since ancient times. It's central to mythology and religion in **(2)** around the world. It keeps our planet warm enough for living things to grow. It gives us light so we can see. It is by far the most important **(3)** of energy for life on Earth. It is about a hundred times as wide **(4)** the Earth. If there were no sun, many things wouldn't occur like photosynthesis or the presence of oxygen, which would have caused no **(5)** of life.

- 1. 1. a 2. huge 3. typical 4. the
- 2. 1. processes 2. types 3. cultures 4. scenes
- 3. 1. control 2. symbol 3. source 4. gesture
- 4. 1. than 2. about 3. as 4. like
- 5. 1. end 2. existence 3. enhancement 4. skill

Cloze Test 135

Global warming is one of the biggest environmental **(1)** facing the world today. The primary cause of global warming is the **(2)** of greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide and methane into the atmosphere. These gases trap heat from the sun, causing the Earth's temperature to rise. The **(3)** effects of global warming are widespread and include more frequent and severe weather events, rising sea levels and the loss of biodiversity. Many governments and organisations have implemented **(4)** to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. However, individuals can also play a role in **(5)** global warming by making small changes to their daily habits, such as reducing their energy consumption and driving less.

- 1. 1. consequences 2. challenges
- 3. benefits 4. opportunities
- 2. 1. conduction 2. absorption
- 3. reflection 4. emission
- 3. 1. neutral 2. negative 3. positive 4. negligible
- 4. 1. restrictions 2. subsidies 3. policies 4. sanctions
- 5. 1. expanding 2. exacerbating
- 3. mitigating 4. sustaining

Cloze Test 136

Learning a new language can be challenging, but it's also **(1)**. It can open up new opportunities for communication and cultural exchange. When learning a new language, it's important to be patient and **(2)** yourself time to progress. One way to make language learning easier is to **(3)** to it every day, even if it's just for a few minutes. This helps in building consistency and reinforces what you're learning. Practising speaking and listening is also important, not just reading and writing. By immersing yourself in the language and culture, you can accelerate your **(4)** and gain a deeper understanding of the language. Learning a new language is not only practical, but it's also **(5)** and can be a fun experience.

- 1. 1. pointless 2. rewarding
- 3. insignificant 4. customising
- 2. 1. rush 2. neglect 3. force 4. give
- 3. 1. procrastinate 2. commit 3. hesitate 4. forget
- 4. 1. progress 2. stamina 3. pitch 4. complacency
- 5. 1. daunting 2. enjoyable 3. intimidating 4. arduous

Cloze Test 137

We must understand that people can process very little information presented orally. So, it is **(1)**, particularly for a teacher, to realise that the students have sometimes listened to three or four teachers **(2)** you. So, the teacher must have props like notes, handouts and slides that will make the learning material **(3)** alive for the students and stay that way with them. A visual aid, a little movement or colour will get the students' attention. Another important thing to **(4)** is that long, complicated sentences spoken fast are simply too difficult for students to understand. It is, therefore, **(5)** to use short sentences that make sense to them instantly.

- 1. 1. important 2. immaterial
- 3. unnecessary 4. urgent
- 2. 1. beside 2. before 3. behind 4. after
- 3. 1. depart 2. come 3. stay 4. go
- 4. 1. realise 2. decide 3. guess 4. detect
- 5. 1. prohibited 2. mandatory
- 3. advisable 4. compulsory

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 138

Ambition is a vital ingredient for success. Without ambition to push us, we will not be **(1)** of great achievements. We all need that special something **(2)** ourselves to give us the willpower to reach a higher goal **(3)** we imagine ourselves capable **(4)**. Yet, ambition, **(5)** money and fire, is a good servant, but a bad master.

- 1. 1. able 2. curable 3. durable 4. capable
- 2. 1. with 2. in 3. within 4. without
- 3. 1. than 2. that 3. what 4. then
- 4. 1. off 2. about 3. of 4. on
- 5. 1. such 2. like 3. as 4. similarly

Cloze Test 139

This book **(1)** writing practice to pre-schoolers to help them learn to write **(2)** of the English alphabet. Directional arrows, **(3)** with the letters and numbers, guide children in writing. **(4)** and copying activities encourage children to read and write letters and numbers **(5)** to count.

- 1. 1. is providing 2. provides
- 3. had provided 4. provide
- 2. 1. phrases 2. letter 3. letters 4. words
- 3. 1. given 2. giving 3. give 4. gave
- 4. 1. Traced 2. Being traced 3. Tracing 4. Trace
- 5. 1. but 2. for 3. yet 4. as well as

Cloze Test 140

The **(1)** of birds is one of the most fascinating aspects of the natural world. From the soaring flight of eagles to the colourful plumage of parrots, birds have evolved a wide range of **(2)** to survive and thrive in their environments. One of the most remarkable adaptations is the ability of some birds to migrate over vast distances, often crossing oceans and continents to reach their breeding or wintering grounds. However, many species of birds are facing threats to their survival, such as habitat loss, climate change and **(3)** by humans. In response, conservation efforts have been put in place to protect these birds and their habitats. This might involve creating protected areas, restoring degraded

habitats or reducing the use of pesticides and other harmful chemicals. Another important aspect of bird conservation is **(4)** populations to track changes over time and identify emerging threats. This can be done through citizen science programmes or through more intensive efforts led by conservation organisations. Ultimately, protecting birds and their habitats is not only important for the birds themselves but also for the broader ecosystems they are a part of, and the many benefits these ecosystems provide to humans, such as clean air and water, and **(5)** opportunities.

- 1. 1. variability 2. diversity
- 3. assortment 4. multitude
- 2. 1. shortcomings 2. strategies
- 3. failures 4. weakness
- 3. 1. preservation 2. safeguarding
- 3. migration 4. exploitation
- 4. 1. overlooking 2. forgetting
- 3. monitoring 4. neglecting
- 5. 1. strenuous 2. work-related
- 3. recreational 4. arduous

Cloze Test 141

Redwing had read **(1)** that one of his favourite writers, Ernest Hemingway, had been asked what was the best **(2)** for a novelist. He had said "an unhappy childhood". Redwing had enjoyed a fine time growing up, but he **(3)** if this whole **(4)** was unfolding more like a novel, and would be **(5)** on one person, one character, the guy in charge: him. Maybe you got a happy childhood and then an unhappy adulthood, and that's how novels worked.

- 1. 1. careless 2. wholesome
- 3. negligently 4. somewhere
- 2. 1. training 2. medication 3. nature 4. maintenance
- 3. 1. wandered 2. welded 3. wasted 4. wondered
- 4. 1. expectation 2. exasperation
- 3. expiation 4. expedition
- 5. 1. blessed 2. blamed 3. bloomed 4. based

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 142

War is mostly glorified and **(1)** by society. The real picture of warfare is as horrific and **(2)** as one can imagine. Often, soldiers who witness death-like experiences suffer from psychological disorders and are **(3)** for the rest of their lives. Many war poems contrast all the sentimental myths about warfare by **(4)** the harsh realities that soldiers face. The real trauma is seen in people who are left to **(5)** for their loved ones after they are gone.

- 1. 1. cemented 2. sharpened
- 3. sacrificed 4. eulogised
- 2. 1. harkening 2. inspiring
- 3. lengthening 4. devastating
- 3. 1. shelled 2. numbed 3. crept 4. hardened
- 4. 1. being 2. hardening 3. exposing 4. giving
- 5. 1. mourn 2. memorise 3. resist 4. think

Cloze Test 143

All state universities and colleges in Uttar Pradesh, one of the **(1)** in India, will now **(2)** a “save water” ritual named ‘Jal Bharo’ in place of ‘lamp lighting’ to inaugurate their annual convocations. The governor of the state, who is also chancellor of state universities, instructed that every university and college in the state should install rainwater harvesting plants on its campus. ‘Jal Bharo’ signifies **(3)** the vision of ‘Jal Shakti’. This ceremony symbolises the **(4)** importance of water conservation, whereas the lamp lighting ceremony symbolised removing darkness through education and spreading the light of learning. It is really a **(5)** initiative. Every educational institute in India should ensure to save and recharge groundwater by installing rainwater harvesting plants. These kinds of initiatives provide awareness of using and saving water, the elixir of life.

- 1. 1. bigger state 2. biggest states
- 3. more big states 4. big state
- 2. 1. managing 2. organise
- 3. have managed 4. organising
- 3. 1. strengthening 2. moving
- 3. holding 4. proceeding

- 4. 1. total 2. immense 3. sheer 4. complete
- 5. 1. lower 2. louder 3. laudable 4. labelled

Cloze Test 144

The Maasais live in **(1)** very beautiful part of Africa. They live on the wide plains in southern and northern Kenya and northern Tanzania. The area **(2)** of miles of rolling grass land, on which you can find thorny bushes and rocky hills. The people move from one place to another according to the seasons, looking for grasses and other plants **(3)** which their cattle can graze. They have no permanent home. When they want to settle in a place for some time, they build a kind of camp called a ‘Manyatta’, where a few families live for a **(4)** weeks or months. Then they move on again, taking their few **(5)** with them, and burning the old ‘Manyatta’ to the ground.

- 1. 1. a 2. some 3. their 4. that
- 2. 1. surrounds 2. measures
- 3. consists 4. considers
- 3. 1. by 2. with 3. on 4. at
- 4. 1. least 2. little 3. few 4. significant
- 5. 1. antiques 2. belongings
- 3. inhibitions 4. experiences

Cloze Test 145

Socrates is flying. No, he is **(1)**. The wings behind him beat in a calming rhythm **(2)** the cool air rushes past. His wings are all that matter, **(3)** at the rushing wind like the sails of some great sea vessel, the feathery appendages all he is and all he will ever want to be. His back muscles flex with the **(4)** that takes him high above the ground. He feels the effort, of course, but sweeping into the sky does not require much of one. The **(5)** is pleasurable, even exhilarating. With flight there is freedom beyond description, an ecstasy bordering on emotional.

- 1. 1. soaring 2. sluggish 3. pertinent 4. redundant
- 2. 1. unless 2. while 3. much 4. since
- 3. 1. cleaning 2. limiting 3. losing 4. snapping
- 4. 1. manipulation 2. affection 3. litigation 4. effort
- 5. 1. indignation 2. perversion
- 3. sensation 4. lamination

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 146

We need the energy to move and we (1) on oil for it. Without it, our jobs, our free time and our mobility (2) all be very different. Every day we (3) 70 million barrels of oil. Every year we consume 2,200 million tonnes of coal and 2,500 billion cubic metres of gas. It's a long story! Total (4) in 1924, and for many years it was a French state oil company. In 1999, Total joined Petrofina, the Belgian oil and gas company, and in 2000, Total (5) with its main French competitor, Elf Aquitaine, and the name became Total Fina Elf. Now it's called Total again, and it's France's biggest company.

- 1. 1. turn 2. hang 3. settle 4. depend
- 2. 1. shall 2. could 3. will 4. can
- 3. 1. absorb 2. take 3. consume 4. devour
- 4. 1. had founded 2. founded
- 3. was founded 4. were founded
- 5. 1. incorporate 2. join 3. merged 4. combine

Cloze Test 147

When he was in college, a famous poet made a useful distinction for him. He had drunk (1) in the poet's company to be compelled to describe to him a poem he was (2) of. It would be a monologue of sorts, the self-contemplation of a student on a summer afternoon who is reading Euphuise. The poem itself would be a subtle (3) of euphuisms, translating the heat, the day, the student's concerns, into symmetrical posies; translating even his (4) and boredom with that famously foolish book into a euphuism. The poet nodded his big head in a sympathetic, rhythmic way as this was (5) to him, then told him that there are two kinds of poems. There is the kind you write; there is the kind you talk about in bars. Both kinds have value and both are poems; but it's fatal to confuse them.

- 1. 1. since 2. far 3. enough 4. many
- 2. 1. straying 2. marking 3. drying 4. thinking
- 3. 1. races 2. series 3. plains 4. credits
- 4. 1. stay 2. weightage 3. contempt 4. haven
- 5. 1. theorised 2. sprang 3. explained 4. raised

Cloze Test 148

The world is going through a deep recession. At such a time, one thing we need in abundance is jobs for the semi-skilled and unskilled. This is the only way in which equal (1) of wealth can take place. The healthcare industry is ideally poised to occupy this position. The IT industry hires people from the upper-middle strata and rich families, usually engineers, (2) the health care industry hires nurses, to the tune of eighty per cent of the jobs created, from the lower economic strata. Global health care is a 4.5-trillion rupee industry, second only to the agro industry. Even then, health care (3) only eight per cent of the world's population. Policymakers should look at the health care industry as not only an industry which addresses pain but also as one which can (4) the economy. The last century was driven by machines that addressed human toil and it is strongly believed that this century will be driven by health care. This, however, will only happen if policy makers make a conscious effort to (5) the right policies in place soon.

- 1. 1. earning 2. spending 3. distribution 4. partition
- 2. 1. unlike 2. unless 3. despite 4. whereas
- 3. 1. visits 2. cures 3. reaches 4. calls
- 4. 1. persuade 2. ascertain 3. influence 4. impede
- 5. 1. cut 2. design 3. desire 4. put

Cloze Test 149

The Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (DISHA) or National Digital Literacy Mission (NDLM) Scheme has been formulated to (1) IT training to 52.5 lakh persons, including Anganwadi and ASHA workers and authorised ration dealers in all the States/UTs (2) the country so that the non-IT literate citizens are (3) to become IT literate so as to (4) them to actively and effectively participate in the democratic and developmental process and also (5) their livelihood.

- 1. 1. impart 2. attain 3. attribute 4. affirm
- 2. 1. across 2. among 3. within 4. between
- 3. 1. included 2. trained 3. made 4. ordered
- 4. 1. regard 2. able 3. enable 4. enact
- 5. 1. enhance 2. train 3. present 4. engage

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 150

The **(1)** of climate change is one of the most pressing issues facing the world today. Rising temperatures, extreme weather events and melting ice caps are just a few of the **(2)** of a changing climate. To combat this, many countries have pledged to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions, but progress has been slow. In addition, some people are still sceptical of the **(3)** of climate change or believe that it's a natural occurrence that humans can't do much about. However, scientists agree that urgent action is needed to prevent the worst impacts of climate change. This includes not only reducing emissions but also adapting to the changes that have already **(4)**. This might involve building sea walls to protect against rising sea levels, planting drought-resistant crops or developing new technologies to remove carbon from the atmosphere. Ultimately, addressing climate change will require a **(5)** effort from individuals, governments and businesses around the world.

- 1. 1. solution 2. advantage 3. aspect 4. challenge
- 2. 1. improvements 2. consequences
- 3. benefits 4. advancements
- 3. 1. myth 2. deception 3. fiction 4. reality
- 4. 1. ceasing 2. reversing 3. occurred 4. stabilising
- 5. 1. individual 2. solitary 3. joint 4. separate

Cloze Test 151

Fountains are used today to decorate city parks and squares; to honour individuals or events; for recreation **(1)** for entertainment. A splash pad or spray pool allows city residents to enter, get wet and cool off in summer. The musical fountain **(2)** moving jets of water, coloured lights and recorded music, controlled by a computer, for dramatic effects. Fountains can **(3)** also be musical instruments played **(4)** obstruction of one or more of their water jets. Drinking fountains provide fresh **(5)** in public buildings, parks and public spaces.

- 1. 1. because 2. nor 3. yet 4. and
- 2. 1. combine 2. be combined
- 3. combines 4. combined

- 3. 1. themselves 2. herself 3. himself 4. itself
- 4. 1. off 2. on 3. by 4. with
- 5. 1. flow of money 2. positive thought
- 3. drinking water 4. melodious music

Cloze Test 152

In today's world, handling money and making purchases and sales come naturally to us. However, prior to the development of any kind of currency, people **(1)** in a variety of ways. The barter trade was the simplest of them all. People would trade the things they owned for the things they wanted in this kind of **(2)**. For example, if someone wanted a set of clothes and had a cow left over, he would have to find someone who would want a cow and be willing to give away a set of clothes. However, it wasn't as straightforward as 'give-and-take', and people would be cheated. The **(3)** of money finally took root in people's minds after many years. The usually erratic barter trade eventually gave way to the monetary method of exchange as such. At first, anything could be used such as hooks, money beads, shells or trinkets. The first gold coins were used as currency near Turkey, and each coin had a different denomination. In the kingdom of Lydia, the value of each coin was first standardised around 700 BC. However, as time passed, the idea of carrying a bulky coin pouch became less **(4)** because it attracted robbers. Checks were first created at that time by Greek and Roman traders who purchased goods from distant cities. Because they could only be used by the person whose name was on them, these were not only lightweight but also deterred robberies. In accordance with this concept, banks later issued notes in exchange for **(5)** gold that could be used as cash.

- 1. 1. traded 2. marketed 3. operated 4. advertised
- 2. 1. transaction 2. agreement
- 3. contraction 4. mutation
- 3. 1. opinion 2. belief 3. concept 4. notion
- 4. 1. appealing 2. alluring
- 3. enchanting 4. bewitching
- 5. 1. contained 2. settled 3. collected 4. deposited

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 153

Since the 17th century, manure has been utilised in agriculture. In those days, they didn't know how plants got the **(1)** they needed. They would toss wood debris, fish remains and other side-effects in an unfilled land to dispose of them. However, it wasn't long before people began to notice that the grass, bushes and shrubs there were beginning to **(2)**. They came to the conclusion that the soil supplied the plants with the nutrients they needed, and that organic remains could aid in this process. Because manure is **(3)** from animals and plants, it not only provides a wide range of plant nutrients but also improves the structure of the soil. Farmers gradually began using fertilisers as well because they understood that if their farmlands were treated in a similar manner, the growth of their crops would also improve. It bonds the soil particles together to form soil crumbs, which are necessary for cultivating soil. Additionally, the addition of manure to the soil aids in the prevention of soil erosion and the loss of plant nutrients during precipitation. Commercial fertilisers, in contrast to manure, are inorganic **(4)** that do not alter the structure of the soil. Their function is to provide the sprouting plants with additional nutrients. A farmer ought to know when and how to apply a particular kind of fertiliser. When the plants require a particular nutrient the most, use it. If fertilisers haven't been added correctly to the soil, their roots won't be able to take in a lot. Rainwater could wash away these fertilisers, or they could end up **(5)** the plants instead, costing the farmer money.

1. maintenance 2. items 3. nutrients 4. ingredients
1. tend 2. raise 3. cherish 4. flourish
1. build 2. constructed 3. extracted 4. derived
1. essences 2. substances
3. contents 4. compositions
1. wounding 2. hurting 3. harming 4. replicating

Cloze Test 154

The massive ransomware attack that has crippled e-hospital services of AIIMS, Delhi, highlights the **(1)** vulnerability of the country's healthcare infrastructure, and possibly other critical IT systems, to cybercriminals. The premier public healthcare

institute **(2)** to around 15 lakh outpatients and 80,000 inpatients every year. Consequently, there are fears that the attackers could sell the now force-encrypted AIIMS databases that contain **(3)** information of patients-including political leaders, senior administrators, and judges, and their healthcare records on the Dark Web. Of course, what has happened to AIIMS is hardly a local phenomenon. A **(4)** increase in cyberattacks on healthcare institutes worldwide **(5)** during the Covid pandemic. The Indian healthcare sector was the second-most targeted globally. It is clear that Indian hospitals are vulnerable to cybersecurity. Government and hospitals need to use best practices to ward off future crises.

1. increasing 2. developing
3. strengthening 4. shining
1. catered 2. catering 3. caters 4. has catered
1. personal 2. personnel 3. political 4. public
1. weighty 2. massive 3. bulk 4. grand
1. is witnessed 2. has witnessed
3. was witness 4. has been witnessed

Cloze Test 155

Exploring new places is an exciting way to **(1)** your horizons and experience different cultures. Whether you prefer to travel by different modes of transportation like boat or aeroplane, there are many ways to get around and see the world. One of the benefits of exploring new places is the **(2)** to try new foods and cuisines. You can also visit famous landmarks, attend cultural events and meet people from all walks of life. When travelling, it's important to **(3)** calm and flexible. Unexpected delays and changes can happen, so it's helpful to have a backup plan and be willing to adapt. Another important **(4)** of travel is sustainability. By being mindful of your impact on the environment and local communities, you can travel in a responsible and sustainable way. With so many **(5)**, the world is yours to explore.

1. broaden 2. contract 3. constrict 4. localise
1. disadvantage 2. obstacle
3. hinderance 4. opportunity
1. contract 2. localise 3. stay 4. lose
1. entirely 2. detail 3. constant 4. aspect
1. possibilities 2. limitations
3. barriers 4. contaminants

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 156

I went on **(1)** trying to 'find out how to'; but I wrote two or three novels without feeling that I had made **(2)** progress. It was not until I wrote 'Ethan Frome' that I suddenly felt the artisan's full **(3)** of his implements. When 'Ethan Frome' first appeared, I was **(4)** criticised by the reviewers for what was considered the clumsy structure of the tale. I had pondered long on this structure, had felt its peculiar difficulties, and possible awkwardness, but could think of no **(5)** which would serve as well in the given case: and though I am far from thinking 'Ethan Frome' is my best novel, and am bored and even exasperated when I am told that it is, I am still sure that its structure is not its weak point.

- 1. 1. ambiguously 2. plausibly 3. playfully 4. steadily
- 2. 1. so 2. barely 3. much 4. no sooner
- 3. 1. control 2. stability 3. dissent 4. rigidity
- 4. 1. legibly 2. selectively 3. intelligibly 4. severely
- 5. 1. alternate 2. adulteration
- 3. alternative 4. adjudication

Cloze Test 157

Posters are **(1)** to promote a brand or pass **(2)** important information. They can be used for **(3)** purposes ranging from telling people to be cautious as the floor is wet, to informing them about an upcoming sale or event. They usually include a picture **(4)** very few words. A suitable **(5)** makes a poster effective and memorable.

- 1. 1. uses 2. used 3. being use 4. use
- 2. 1. to 2. for 3. on 4. away
- 3. 1. much 2. little 3. similar 4. varied
- 4. 1. nor 2. yet 3. and 4. also
- 5. 1. caution 2. quotation 3. caption 4. anticipation

Answer :-

Cloze Test 158

The basic elements of computers that **(1)** our world are explained in an interactive manner. The book has a **(2)** approach of colourful and creative picture-based activities. The puzzles, activities and mazes **(3)** the students to develop critical thinking, logical and

motor skills. After every lesson, **(4)** exercises are incorporated to **(5)** the conceptual understanding of the students.

- 1. 1. negates 2. negate 3. empowers 4. empower
- 2. 1. unique 2. difficult 3. trivial 4. complex
- 3. 1. helps 2. help 3. helped 4. had helped
- 4. 1. baffling 2. superficial
- 3. irrational 4. brainstorming
- 5. 1. evolved 2. evolution 3. evolving 4. evolve

Cloze Test 159

Social media can have **(1)** effects on mental health, with studies suggesting that excessive use can lead to feelings of anxiety, depression, and loneliness. To combat these negative effects, experts recommend setting **(2)** for social media use. Other strategies include **(3)** with friends and family in person, engaging in hobbies or physical activity, and seeking professional **(4)** if necessary. As such, it's important to be **(5)** of its potential drawbacks and take steps to use it in a healthy and balanced way.

- 1. 1. positive 2. delirious 3. desirous 4. detrimental
- 2. 1. rules 2. standards 3. goals 4. principles
- 3. 1. involving 2. entrusting
- 3. interacting 4. cooperating
- 4. 1. concern 2. guidance 3. information 4. advise
- 5. 1. sceptical 2. cognizant 3. indifferent 4. ignorant

Cloze Test 160

The structure of human psyche, as postulated by Sigmund Freud, **(1)** of the ego, the super ego, and the id. The ego forms the part of our conscious mind which we work with and are most **(2)** of. The super ego forms our conscience in the form of the unconscious and works on the **(3)** of social and cultural influences. The id represents our subconscious which contains all **(4)** thoughts, desires, and dreams. Dreams work as a free pathway into the subconscious, which is an inaccessible zone in general. It can also contain **(5)** scenes or images that apparently have no relation to anything related to the person.

- 1. 1. lacks 2. consists 3. grapples 4. desires
- 2. 1. dependent 2. resistant 3. aware 4. afraid
- 3. 1. understanding 2. love 3. counter 4. basis
- 4. 1. sanctioned 2. heavy 3. repressed 4. legal
- 5. 1. constricted 2. bizarre
- 3. parallel 4. concurrent

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 161

Changes to the earth's climate, driven by increased **(1)** of heat-trapping greenhouse gases, are already having widespread effects on the environment. Shrinking of glaciers and ice sheets, occurrence of shifts in flower/plant blooming times, etc., are creating an overall **(2)** in the natural ecosystem. Conditions like the rise in sea-levels and saltwater intrusion have advanced to the point where whole **(3)** have had to relocate, while protracted droughts are putting people at risk of **(4)**. The effects of human-caused global warming are **(5)** for people alive today and will worsen as long as humans keep feeding greenhouse gases into the atmosphere.

- 1. 1. feeding 2. fertilisation 3. emission 4. creation
- 2. 1. despondence 2. creativity
- 3. imbalance 4. hunger
- 3. 1. mobs 2. conditions 3. people 4. communities
- 4. 1. famine 2. overpopulation
- 3. surgery 4. pregnancy
- 5. 1. conditional 2. irreversible
- 3. heart breaking 4. contradictory

Cloze Test 162

We know infinitely **(1)** about the wealthy people of Egypt than we do about the ordinary people, as most monuments were made for the rich. Houses in which ordinary Egyptian lived have not been preserved, and when most people died they were **(2)** in simple graves. Most of our traditional sources of information **(3)** the Old Kingdom are monuments of the rich **(4)** pyramids and tombs. Even papyri come mainly from pyramid temples. **(5)** this does not mean that death was the Egyptians' only preoccupation.

- 1. 1. most 2. more 3. much 4. many
- 2. 1. buries 2. burying 3. buried 4. bury
- 3. 1. on 2. at 3. about 4. off
- 4. 1. like 2. such 3. thus 4. as
- 5. 1. Then 2. Yet 3. Moreover 4. But

Cloze Test 163

In the 19th century, there was an industrial revolution in Europe. As a result, millions of people left the **(1)**

and went to work in big factories in cities. Today, it is the reverse. In several major cities, people have started moving out. Why? They want a cleaner, **(2)** environment. There are fewer jobs in 'heavy' industries like steel and power generation. **(3)**, there are more jobs in service industries like banking, tourism and food delivery. Beside, modern transport and communications have made it easier for people to **(4)** to work or even work from home. The result of this revolution in the 21st century will be 'spread cities' – cities are growing fast, but **(5)**, away from city centres and people are choosing to live 40, 50 or 60 kilometres away.

- 1. 1. villages 2. countries 3. cities 4. colonies
- 2. 1. worse 2. higher 3. dark 4. greener
- 3. 1. Nevertheless 2. Clearly
- 3. Instead 4. Of course
- 4. 1. commute 2. calculate
- 3. communicate 4. compute
- 5. 1. inward 2. outwards 3. upward 4. downward

Cloze Test 164

Can we see **(1)** the earth is a globe? Yes, we can, when we watch a ship that sails out to sea, if we watch closely, we see that the ship begins to **(2)**. The bottom of the ship disappears first, and then the ship seems to sink lower and lower, **(3)** we can only see the top of the ship, and then we see nothing at all. What is hiding the ship from us? It is the earth. Stick a pin most of the way into an orange, and **(4)** turn the orange away from you. You will see the pin disappear, **(5)** a ship does on the earth.

- 1. 1. clearly 2. how
- 3. that 4. where
- 2. 1. disappear 2. having disappeared
- 3. being disappeared 4. have disappeared
- 3. 1. up to 2. since
- 3. after 4. until
- 4. 1. accordingly 2. slowly
- 3. reluctantly 4. accidentally
- 5. 1. alike 2. just as
- 3. unlike 4. the same

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 165

The civil service is an integral part of the government and plays a crucial role in implementing policies and programmes that benefit the public. The **(1)** of civil services is to ensure that the government is able to provide services to citizens in a timely and effective manner. Civil servants are responsible for a wide range of tasks, including **(2)** the implementation of policies and programmes, managing budgets and providing advice to government officials. In order to perform their duties effectively, civil servants must have a deep understanding of government processes, as well as strong **(3)** and analytical skills. They must also be able to communicate effectively with a wide range of stakeholders, including government officials, citizens and other organisations. To become a civil servant, individuals typically need to pass a rigorous exam and undergo extensive training. Once they are appointed, civil servants are expected to abide by a code of conduct that emphasises impartiality, integrity and **(4)** in carrying out their duties. Despite the challenges and demands of civil service work, it can be a highly rewarding career path, providing opportunities to make a positive impact on society and improve the lives of citizens. Whether working in a local, state or federal government agency, civil servants play a vital role in **(5)** democratic values and promoting the public good.

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| 1. 1. defunct | 2. mandate |
| 3. recommendation | 4. function |
| 2. 1. developing | 2. managing |
| 3. promoting | 4. escalating |
| 3. 1. interpersonal | 2. problem-solving |
| 3. accounting | 4. technical |
| 4. 1. efficiency | 2. popularity |
| 3. severity | 4. activism |
| 5. 1. mimicking | 2. lacking |
| 3. upholding | 4. contextualising |

Cloze Test 166

The challenge in Madras high court to the Emergency-era shifting of education from state list to concurrent list **(1)** a futile exercise in turning back the clock. Forty-six years have passed **(2)** the 42 Constitution Amendment Act. In this period, the education sector has seen far too many changes,

and most can't be **(3)**. For instance, a common national medical test now allows students the ease of appearing for just one examination instead of multiple ones conducted by each state. States still enjoy **(4)** to operate their own universities, schools and education syllabus. Private sector is also flourishing in education. And the policy tinkering at all levels goes on. UGC is restructuring UG, PG and doctoral programmes. States are trying out clustering of schools, closing down smaller schools. Instruction in English seems to have lost favour at the Centre, even though society is **(5)** headed in the opposite direction. But the moot point is no one entity can claim complete control. It is a diverse ecosystem. Far more important issues than locating education in the Constitution are at stake.

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| 1. 1. have | 2. were | 3. had | 4. is |
| 2. 1. since | 2. for | 3. as | 4. from |
| 3. 1. returned | 2. reversed | 3. backed | 4. turned |
| 4. 1. flexible | 2. flexibility | 3. suitable | 4. suitability |
| 5. 1. irrevocable | 2. suddenly | 3. irrelevant | 4. irrevocably |

Cloze Test 167

Colonialism had a great impact on the lives of the aboriginal Australians who were eventually **(1)** by the whites with all power and privilege. The colonisers turned their land into rubbish pits and **(2)** sites for their own betterment. The aborigines were often **(3)** as sub-humans with low status and dirty habits. The whites not only displaced the tribes off their homeland but also **(4)** the beauty and balance of the natural world. An increase in deforestation and destruction of traditional land led **(5)** like emu, eagle, and kangaroo, among many others to dwindle over time.

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| 1. 1. understood | 2. caught | 3. subjugated | 4. raised |
| 2. 1. dating | 2. construction | 3. recreation | 4. halting |
| 3. 1. led | 2. received | 3. created | 4. perceived |
| 4. 1. destroyed | 2. climbed | 3. utilised | 4. fed |
| 5. 1. homies | 2. pets | 3. thugs | 4. fauna |

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 168

The Maasais live in **(1)** very beautiful part of Africa. They live on the wide plains in southern and northern Kenya and northern Tanzania. The area **(2)** of miles of rolling grass land, on which you can find thorny bushes and rocky hills. The people move from one place to another according to the seasons, looking for grasses and other plants **(3)** which their cattle can graze. They have no permanent home. When they want to settle in a place for some time, they build a kind of camp called a 'Manyatta', where a few families live for a **(4)** weeks or months. Then they move on again, taking their few belongings with them, and burning the old 'Manyatta' to the ground.

- 1. 1. their 2. some 3. a 4. that
- 2. 1. measures 2. considers 3. surrounds 4. consists
- 3. 1. on 2. by 3. at 4. with
- 4. 1. few 2. little 3. least 4. significant

Cloze Test 169

The effects of plastic bags on the environment are really **(1)** devastating because there is no disposal method that will really help eliminate the problem. The biggest problem with them is that once they have been **(2)**, they end up In the trash, which then ends up in the landfill or is burned. The indefinite period of time that it takes for the average plastic bag to break **(3)** can be literally hundreds of years. Throughout the world, plastic bags are responsible for suffocation and deaths of woodland animals as well as **(4)** soil nutrients. The land litter that is made up of plastic bags has the potential to kill over and over again. It has been estimated that one bag has the potential to inadvertently kill one animal per every three months due to unintentional digestion or inhalation. There are always alternatives to plastic bags and the search for more alternatives continues.

- 1. 1. vaguely 2. randomly 3. quite 4. seldom
- 2. 1. moulded 2. soiled 3. disinfected 4. recycled
- 3. 1. out 2. even 3. down 4. through
- 4. 1. converting 2. demanding
- 3. inhibiting 4. accumulating

Cloze Test 170

The phrase non-governmental or non-profit is commonly used to refer to the various organisations that **(1)** civil society. In general, such organisations are distinguished by the **(2)** that they operate for reasons other than financial gain. Surveys indicate that NGOs have a high degree of public **(3)**, which can make them a useful proxy for the concerns of society and stakeholders. NGOs range from small pressure groups on specific environmental concerns or human rights **(4)**, to educational charities, women's refuges, cultural associations, religious organisations, legal foundations, humanitarian assistance programmes – and the list could go on – to large international organisations with hundreds or even thousands of branches or members around the world.

- 1. 1. comprise 2. comprised
- 3. comprising 4. comprises
- 2. 1. clue 2. value 3. lie 4. fact
- 3. 1. thought 2. belief 3. idea 4. trust
- 4. 1. evaluation 2. prohibitions
- 3. discrimination 4. violations

Cloze Test 171

The Sun is the star at the center of **(1)** Solar System. It is a nearly perfect ball of hot plasma. The Sun has inspired us since ancient times. It's central to mythology and religion in **(2)** around the world. It keeps our planet warm enough for living things to grow. It gives us light so we can see. It is by far the most important **(3)** of energy for life on Earth. It is about a hundred times as wide **(4)** the Earth. If there were no sun, many things wouldn't occur like photosynthesis or the presence of oxygen, which would have caused no existence of life.

- 1. 1. huge 2. the 3. a 4. typical
- 2. 1. processes 2. types 3. cultures 4. scenes
- 3. 1. source 2. control 3. gesture 4. symbol
- 4. 1. like 2. than 3. about 4. as

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 172

Unemployment arises from a variety of (1). One which is always recurring and the effects of which we have had a recent example, is the disorganisation of industry resulting from a long war; this is a serious (2) admitting of no easy (3) at the best of times. Again there is the unemployment which followed a marked diminution in the (4) of any raw product, such as cotton; fewer hands are required in the mills and the factories. We may call this cause of bad harvests. Similar, but more serious is the effect of changes in industry due to the invention of machinery which does more work and require (5) hands. Yet another cause is strike or lockout and this is more to be deplored because such a stoppage is due to a very trivial matter, perhaps the men are working half an hour longer than what their Union permits.

- 1. 1. causes 2. types 3. things 4. thoughts
- 2. 1. nature 2. difference 3. problem 4. discussion
- 3. 1. key 2. Answer 3. clue 4. solution
- 4. 1. material 2. quality 3. quantity 4. cloth
- 5. 1. a lot of 2. more 3. many 4. fewer

Cloze Test 173

Many fruits and vegetables change (1) as they ripen. For example, tomatoes, strawberries, and red bell peppers all change from green to red. Colour is just one way along with size, texture, and smell that you can tell if a fruit or vegetable is (2) to be harvested or eaten. Imagine a factory that (3) strawberries into plastic containers to be (4) to grocery stores across the country. It might be useful to have a machine that automatically (5) any green strawberries that were picked before they were ripe. Or, you might want a machine on the farm that automatically recognizes strawberries by colour and only picks the red ones to begin with.

- 1. 1. clothes 2. shape 3. colour 4. size
- 2. 1. sober 2. ready 3. trepid 4. steady
- 3. 1. breaks 2. packs 3. tapes 4. halts
- 4. 1. shipped off 2. suited to

- 3. managed of 4. accounted to
- 5. 1. sustains 2. rejects 3. proceeds 4. detains

Cloze Test 174

In a new study (1) in Nature Human Behaviour, we have now shown that, in 2021, (2) expectancy rebounded somewhat in most western European countries (3) eastern Europe and the US witnessed additional losses. However, only Norway (4) its pre-pandemic life expectancy in 2021, and everywhere is worse off than it would (5) have been without the pandemic.

- 1. 1. published 2. established
- 3. surrounded 4. registered
- 2. 1. hunger 2. animal
- 3. life 4. game
- 3. 1. behind 2. as
- 3. so 4. while
- 4. 1. beats 2. clubs
- 3. lifts 4. probes
- 5. 1. nicely 2. bluntly
- 3. shortly 4. likely

Cloze Test 175

First, the e-commerce industry has historically struggled with (1) issues. The Internet has made it possible for customers to place (2) from any location, but that convenience comes with a cost in (3) of shipping costs and order fulfillment times. But by hosting their e-commerce sites on cloud computing platforms, merchants can offload (4) of the server processing work. These third-party systems still (5) full control over the look and feel of their online stores.

- 1. 1. placing 2. flipping 3. delivery 4. storing
- 2. 1. systems 2. series 3. orders 4. locals
- 3. 1. tags 2. shifts 3. firms 4. terms
- 4. 1. more 2. much 3. must 4. many
- 5. 1. discard 2. retain 3. fumigate 4. placate

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 176

I have always been bad at journaling. All my childhood diaries include major gaps: In one (1), I am 8, visiting my aunt. In the very (2), I have experienced puberty and have a crush on Mohit, the kid (3) sits behind me in biology. Today, my journal and I are something like estranged acquaintances, who check in every now and then just to keep in (4), without really understanding why. Yep, we say to each other in passing, everything's good. Hope all is (5) with you!

- 1. 1. entry 2. section 3. passing 4. terms
- 2. 1. over 2. earlier 3. next 4. former
- 3. 1. who 2. whom 3. which 4. whose
- 4. 1. touch 2. vision 3. taste 4. glory
- 5. 1. mild 2. virtuous 3. bling 4. well

Cloze Test 177

The difference between the solar radiation absorbed and the thermal radiation emitted to space (1) radiation budget of the earth. Since there is no appreciable long-term trend in planetary temperature, it may be (2) that this budget is essentially zero on a global long term average. The rate of temperature change in any region is directly (3) to energy budget of the region and inversely proportional to its heat capacity. While the radiation (4) may dominate the average energy budget of many surfaces, nonradiative energy transfer and storage also are (5) important when local changes are considered.

- 1. 1. placates 2. determines
- 3. duplicates 4. examines
- 2. 1. concluded 2. faded 3. exercised 4. pleaded
- 3. 1. hospitable 2. twisted
- 3. symmetrical 4. proportional
- 4. 1. heat 2. crescent 3. balance 4. budget
- 5. 1. cynically 2. generally 3. modestly 4. manually

Cloze Test 178

Through the (1), lonely years of my childhood, when my father's palace (2) to tighten its grip (3) me until I couldn't (4), I would go to my nurse and ask for a story. And though she knew many wondrous and edifying tales, the one I made her tell me over and over was the (5) of my birth.

- 1. 1. beautiful 2. timid 3. menial 4. long
- 2. 1. seemed 2. thought 3. perhaps 4. besides
- 3. 1. surround 2. around

- 3. revolving 4. encompassing
- 4. 1. breathing 2. breath 3. breathe 4. breathed
- 5. 1. story 2. ode 3. poem 4. news

Cloze Test 179

People may seek fashion as part of (1) they are and may want to be a fashion lover, which may lead them to spend more time (2) out the latest fashion trends and more money than others on fashion products. We all know the good feeling that goes (3) walking out of a store with a new shade of lipstick or after ordering a killer pair of boots online. They call it retail therapy for a reason, and more than one scientific study has (4) its effectiveness. Shopping takes time and concentration, whether it is being done online (5) in your favourite store.

- 1. 1. whom 2. who 3. whose 4. which
- 2. 1. making 2. doing 3. freaking 4. seeking
- 3. 1. up in 2. along with 3. within 4. off in
- 4. 1. summed up 2. sold on
- 3. held back 4. backed up
- 5. 1. if 2. so 3. and 4. or

Cloze Test 180

Tons of fruits and vegetables are produced, processed, and (1) on a daily basis so that we can buy them fresh. Many of these pieces of produce, however, never make it into stores. This is because many fruits and vegetables such as apricots, mushrooms, lettuce, and pears (2) brown or spoil over time. This reaction is also (3) enzymatic browning and is one of the largest causes of (4) in fruits and vegetables - even though it does not make the food harmful to eat. The name enzymatic browning comes from the (5) that an enzyme within the fruit turns the fruit brown.

- 1. 1. shipped 2. Slipped 3. dusted 4. clipped
- 2. 1. turn 2. bend 3. serve 4. abide
- 3. 1. become 2. saying 3. called 4. passed
- 4. 1. corruption 2. ablaze 3. spoilage 4. kindle
- 5. 1. craze 2. fact 3. facade 4. shape

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 181

Fresh pineapple, chilled watermelon, and an icy cold soft drink on a hot summer's day. What do these things have in **(1)** ? They all taste so good because of the sweetness the sugar in them provides. When you think of sugar, you probably picture the white **(2)** you put in cookies, that your parents put in their coffee, or that you **(3)** on your cereal. Actually, this is just one kind of sugar, called sucrose, which is **(4)** from sugar cane or sugar beets. Technically, sugar is a carbohydrate that occurs **(5)** in every fruit and vegetable.

- 1. 1. common 2. collision 3. balance 4. tandem
- 2. 1. granules 2. rubbles 3. stones 4. capsules
- 3. 1. raise 2. sprinkle 3. send 4. place
- 4. 1. shelved 2. extracted 3. excavated 4. rugged
- 5. 1. mentally 2. naturally 3. fortunately 4. happily

Cloze Test 182

There were other stories **(1)** Krishna. How **(2)** been born in a dungeon where his uncle Kamsa had imprisoned his parents with the intention of killing him at birth. How, in spite of the many prison guards, he had been miraculously spirited **(3)** to safety in Gokul. How, in infancy, he killed a **(4)** who tried to poison him with her breast milk. How he lifted up Mount Govardhan to shelter his people from a **(5)** that would have drowned them.

- 1. 1. about 2. belonging to 3. with respect 4. upon
- 2. 1. he had 2. he have 3. he was 4. he has
- 3. 1. gone 2. around 3. away 4. together
- 4. 1. god 2. satan 3. demones 4. demon
- 5. 1. earthquake 2. drought 3. deluge 4. snowfall

Cloze Test 183

Anders couldn't get to the bank until just before it closed, so of course the **(1)** was endless and he got **(2)** behind two women whose loud, stupid conversation put him in a murderous **(3)** . He was never in the best of tempers **(4)** . Anders - a book critic known for the weary, elegant savagery with which he **(5)** almost everything he reviewed.

- 1. 1. progression 2. queue 3. chain 4. passage

- 2. 1. stamped 2. stuck 3. fastened 4. struck
- 3. 1. temper 2. quality
- 3. temperament 4. wrath
- 4. 1. anyway 2. somewhat
- 3. whenever 4. always
- 5. 1. conditioned 2. incorporated
- 3. transferred 4. dispatched

Cloze Test 184

Snakes are elongated, legless, carnivorous **(1)** that can be distinguished from legless lizards by **(2)** lack of eyelids and external ears. **(3)** species of snakes have skulls with several more joints than their lizard ancestors, **(4)** them to swallow prey much larger than their heads with their highly mobile jaws. To accommodate their narrowbodies, snakes' paired organs (such as kidneys) appear one in front of the other instead of side **(5)** side, and most have only one functional lung.

- 1. 1. amphibians 2. mammals 3. reptiles 4. birds
- 2. 1. their 2. them 3. those 4. there
- 3. 1. Lots 2. Many 3. Few 4. Much
- 4. 1. compelling 2. prevailing
- 3. enabling 4. disabling
- 5. 1. over 2. by 3. and 4. of

Cloze Test 185

It is easy to think that the daily life of a plant is a simple **(1)** . They seem to just stand there and sunbathe. However, plants are very busy all the time doing **(2)** things. This activity is aimed at surviving the day and **(3)** for the future. They are continuously working for it. Plants need food to survive. Being **(4)** in the ground means that they cannot move around to find food so they must make their own. They do this by taking water from the soil in **(5)** their roots and a molecule in the air carbon dioxide into their leaves.

- 1. 1. ones 2. one 3. one's 4. once
- 2. 1. much 2. very 3. any 4. many
- 3. 1. sensing 2. reviving 3. planning 4. caressing
- 4. 1. smudged 2. rooted 3. cluttered 4. sullied
- 5. 1. with 2. by 3. of 4. through

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 186

Deserts probably existed much (1), during former periods of global arid climate in the lee of mountain ranges that sheltered them from (2) or in the centre of extensive continental regions. However, this would have been primarily before the evolution of angiosperms which are (3) as seed producing plants. Only a few primitive plants, which may have been (4) of the ancient desert vegetation, occur in present day deserts. One (5) is the bizarre conifer relative tumboa, in the Namib Desert of southwestern Africa.

- 1. 1. earnest 2. earlier 3. early 4. earliest
- 2. 1. birds 2. rain 3. brash 4. animals
- 3. 1. characterised 2. summarized
- 3. presented 4. mandated
- 4. 1. part 2. bit 3. slot 4. task
- 5. 1. example 2. sign 3. instance 4. signal

Cloze Test 187

There are so many myths about the (1) impacts of milk on health. Changing how much milk you drink because of (2) myths may mean you are unnecessarily restricting this (3) nutritious drink. Australians often restrict dairy foods when they try to (4) weight believing them to be fattening. While dairy products naturally contain fat there are many reduced fat products (5).

- 1. 1. negative 2. kind 3. welcoming 4. impolite
- 2. 1. those 2. this 3. these 4. thus
- 3. 1. invisibly 2. highly 3. suddenly 4. nominally
- 4. 1. leverage 2. lose 3. meditate 4. subjugate
- 5. 1. deficient 2. inoperable 3. available 4. durable

Cloze Test 188

Each year, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Environmental Protection Agency (1) federal pollinator experts to share the latest scientific findings on bee and pollinator health, and assess the status of (2) important insects, birds, bats and other species. One clear (3) from this year's meeting was that climate change (4) a new and formidable stressor for bees, potentially amplifying previously

known issues in ways that scientists can't yet (5) but need to prepare for.

- 1. 1. roast 2. mandates 3. accost 4. host
- 2. 1. thus 2. this 3. these 4. those
- 3. 1. thesis 2. standard 3. takeaway 4. diffidence
- 4. 1. has become 2. became
- 3. was became 4. becoming
- 5. 1. predict 2. notify 3. shrimp 4. shun

Cloze Test 189

The modern pizza was originally (1) in Naples, Italy but the word pizza is Greek in (2), derived from the Greek word pēktos meaning solid or clotted. The ancient (3) covered their bread with oils, herbs and cheese. The first major (4) that led to flat bread pizza was the use of tomato as a topping. It was common for the poor of the area around Naples to add (5) to their yeast-based flat bread, and so the pizza began.

- 1. 1. pervaded 2. invented 3. assumed 4. arcaded
- 2. 1. bulletin 2. origin 3. villain 4. align
- 3. 1. Greeks 2. Romans 3. Indians 4. Spaniards
- 4. 1. cultivation 2. observation
- 3. aggravation 4. innovation
- 5. 1. tomato 2. onion 3. potato 4. herb

Cloze Test 190

A recent study that (1) people's brains at different points in their work day (2) high-demand tasks which require intense, constant concentration can lead to build-up of a (3) toxic chemical called glutamate. Normally used to (4) signals from nerve cells, in large quantities glutamate alters the (5) of a brain region involved in planning and decision making, the lateral prefrontal cortex (LPFC).

- 1. 1. scanned 2. Answered 3. buzzed 4. illuminated
- 2. 1. found 2. founded 3. find 4. had founded
- 3. 1. grandly 2. perpetually 3. utterly 4. potentially
- 4. 1. donate 2. send 3. travel 4. swipe
- 5. 1. radiation 2. performance
- 3. ensemble 4. synergy

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 191

The Games were held every four years from 1924 until 1936, after which they were **(1)** by World War II. The Olympics **(2)** in 1948 and was **(3)** held every four years. Until 1992, the Winter and Summer Olympic Games were held in the same years, but in accordance with a 1986 **(4)** by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) to place the Summer and Winter Games on **(5)** four-year cycles in alternating even-numbered years, the next Winter Olympics after 1992 was in 1994.

- 1. 1. interrupted 2. solicited
- 3. corrupted 4. complicated
- 2. 1. transformed 2. resumed
- 3. confirmed 4. accustomed
- 3. 1. never 2. again 3. bargained 4. regain
- 4. 1. incision 2. decision 3. indecision 4. precision
- 5. 1. customary 2. together 3. separate 4. matching

Cloze Test 192

Swollen joints **(1)** when there is fluid in the tissues around the joints. It can be very **(2)** and can make it difficult to move the affected joints. In some cases, swelling may cause affected joints to increase in size or appear to be an odd **(3)**. Joint pain and swelling can affect more than one **(4)** at a time. The most common joints to be **(5)** by pain and swelling are elbows, wrists, shoulders, the base of the spine, knuckles, hips, knees or ankles.

- 1. 1. suppress 2. happen 3. prompt 4. produce
- 2. 1. snug 2. convenient
- 3. uncomfortable 4. pleasant
- 3. 1. shape 2. colour 3. odour 4. audio
- 4. 1. muscle 2. tissue 3. vein 4. joint
- 5. 1. affected 2. blended 3. reacted 4. balmed

Cloze Test 193

Social media platforms and many people on them have their own **(1)** and they are often trying to sell you things. So, be **(2)** of how much time and energy you give to sellers and users and think about **(3)** they want from you when engaging. To gauge which uses are positive and **(4)** and which are detrimental, ask yourself simply, when does using social media make me feel good or bad, and why? Do I **(5)** use it all of the time?

- 1. 1. considerations 2. excuses 3. agendas 4. steam

- 2. 1. aware 2. valiant 3. aroused 4. calm
- 3. 1. what 2. that 3. which 4. whilst
- 4. 1. punitive 2. productive
- 3. possessive 4. pliable
- 5. 1. need to 2. could
- 3. ought to 4. must

Cloze Test 194

Children learn to walk and talk naturally, **(1)** that is not the case with reading. Reading strategies are designed to help your child develop a strong reading **(2)** one built with confidence engagement and joy. As a parent, you are most likely always looking for **(3)** that make your child want to learn. We are here to help you and your child on their journey as a **(4)** reader. Try some reading strategy suggestions below for kids **(5)** are beginning to read all the way to those reading advanced chapter books.

- 1. 1. when 2. but 3. rather 4. because
- 2. 1. fluctuation 2. corporation
- 3. foundation 4. presumption
- 3. 1. blueprints 2. techniques 3. fashions 4. lines
- 4. 1. budding 2. sulking 3. ripened 4. dying
- 5. 1. which 2. whom 3. who 4. that

Cloze Test 195

Today I have a college admission interview with a Yale alum. Yale is Second-Best School, but for once, I put my foot down and **(1)** to apply to Best School (Harvard). The idea of **(2)** Charlie's younger brother at another school is a bridge entirely too far. Besides, **(3)** knows if Harvard would even take me now that Charlie's been suspended. My mom and **(4)** are in the kitchen. Because of my interview, she's steaming frozen mandu (dumplings) for me as a treat. I am having a pre-mandu appetizer of Cap'n Crunch (the best cereal known to mankind) and **(5)** in my Moleskine notebook.

- 1. 1. dwelled 2. refused 3. levelled 4. rejoiced
- 2. 1. being 2. having been 3. been 4. be
- 3. 1. who 2. whom 3. whose 4. which
- 4. 1. I 2. myself 3. me 4. am
- 5. 1. writing 2. reading 3. visualising 4. sieving

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 196

Generally, dolphins sleep **(1)** only one brain hemisphere in slow-wave sleep at a time, thus **(2)** enough consciousness to breathe and to watch for possible **(3)** and other threats. Early **(4)** stages can occur simultaneously in both hemispheres. In captivity, dolphins seemingly enter a fully asleep state where both eyes are closed and there is no response to mild external **(5)** .

- 1. 1. over 2. with 3. through 4. on
- 2. 1. facilitating 2. tormenting
- 3. maintaining 4. generating
- 3. 1. predators 2. carnivorous 3. preys 4. orators
- 4. 1. brain 2. sleep 3. woke 4. conscious
- 5. 1. moduli 2. deterrent 3. stimuli 4. spur

Cloze Test 197

With his slight build and his simple white clothes, Narad **(1)** harmless, but he had quite a **(2)** . He had powerful family connections and was a **(3)** devotee of Lord Vishnu. His favourite **(4)** was to travel from court to court and world to world, collecting gossip and **(5)** mayhem.

- 1. 1. saw 2. watched 3. observed 4. looked
- 2. 1. censure 2. reputation
- 3. disapproval 4. dismay
- 3. 1. pleasant 2. brooding 3. peasant 4. formidable
- 4. 1. bustle 2. movement 3. action 4. activity
- 5. 1. advancing 2. scattering
- 3. spreading 4. diffusing

Cloze Test 198

The ocean floor is famously less **(1)** than the surface of Mars. And when our team of scientists recently mapped the seabed, and ancient sediments beneath, we **(2)** what looks like an asteroid impact crater. Intriguingly, the crater, **(3)** "Nadir" after the nearby volcano Nadir Seamount, is of the same age as the Chicxulub impact caused by a huge asteroid at the end of the Cretaceous **(4)**, around 66 million years ago, which **(5)** the dinosaurs and many other species.

- 1. 1. reconstructed 2. explored 3. imposed 4. stocked

- 2. 1. screened 2. discovered
- 3. shaped 4. founded
- 3. 1. squeaked 2. named 3. murmured 4. dropped
- 4. 1. period 2. generation 3. vase 4. spell
- 5. 1. wiped out 2. turned off
- 3. absolved in 4. counted in

Cloze Test 199

Such a greenhouse **(3)** is created when energy in the form of sunlight easily passes through a planet's atmosphere, warms its **(4)** and is converted to heat radiation that is then held in by the atmosphere from top to bottom. Venus has a relatively thin atmosphere like the Earth's, but Venus' atmosphere consists of more than ninety percent carbon dioxide, compared to less than four percent in that of the **(5)** .

- 1. 1. from 2. through 3. across 4. on
- 2. 1. due 2. understood 3. because 4. cause
- 3. 1. effect 2. contour 3. displacement 4. affect
- 4. 1. atmosphere 2. core 3. surface 4. walls
- 5. 1. Mercury 2. Mars 3. Earth 4. Pluto

Answer :-

- 1. 1. from 2. 1. due 3. 1. effect
- 4. 3. surface 5. 3. Earth

Cloze Test 200

Improving your well-being is considered to be the fundamental **(1)** of travelling. Travelling helps to decrease the risks of heart disease and anxiety **(2)** developing our brain health. There have been studies proving that travel can have a positive impact on our heart **(3)** . The health benefit of travelling is that when you travel to new surroundings you **(4)** a restart button to your body and mind. This brings in fresh energy when you get back to your normal **(5)** activities.

- 1. 1. benefit 2. sanity 3. rancidity 4. sanctity
- 2. 1. so 2. because 3. while 4. as
- 3. 1. being 2. bloom 3. health 4. pace
- 4. 1. press 2. usurp 3. heap 4. snatch
- 5. 1. sedentary 2. regular 3. arbitrate 4. moderate

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 201

The man with the shotgun **(1)** the guard to his knees. He handed up the shotgun to his partner and yanked the guard's wrists up behind his back and locked **(2)** together with a pair of handcuffs. He **(3)** him onto the floor with a kick between the shoulder blades. Then he took his shotgun back and **(4)** to the security gate at the end of the counter. He was short and heavy and moved with peculiar slowness. "Buzz him **(5)** ," his partner said.

- 1. 1. motivated 2. pushed 3. swayed 4. steered
- 2. 1. them 2. it 3. these 4. that
- 3. 1. placed 2. ascended
- 3. toppled 4. straightened
- 4. 1. went over 2. went under
- 3. went along 4. went besides
- 5. 1. to 2. in 3. with 4. on

Cloze Test 202

Sudden changes in the gilts market are **(1)**, but when they do happen it can cause **(2)** problems for certain types of pension scheme, as UK pension savers **(3)** recently. In addition to raising borrowing costs for the government, the market mayhem following September's mini-budget **(4)** many pension providers to quickly cash in some of their holdings to try to weather the **(5)**.

- 1. 1. easy 2. severe 3. rare 4. high
- 2. 1. major 2. untidy 3. scanty 4. bulky
- 3. 1. seen 2. did saw 3. has seen 4. have seen
- 4. 1. forced 2. slated 3. seized 4. uncontrived
- 5. 1. storm 2. pond 3. cup 4. soil

Cloze Test 203

Cristiano Ronaldo dos Santos Aveiro, born on February 5th, 1985 and commonly known **(1)** Cristiano Ronaldo, is a Portuguese footballer who **(2)** as a forward for Spanish club Real Madrid and serves as captain **(3)** the Portuguese national team. Ronaldo currently holds the distinction of being the most expensive player in football history after **(4)** transferred to Real Madrid from Manchester United in a deal worth £80 million (€94m, US\$132m). His

contract with Real Madrid is believed to have made him the highest-paid **(5)** player in the world.

- 1. 1. as 2. at 3. in 4. for
- 2. 1. played 2. will play 3. plays 4. has played
- 3. 1. of 2. with 3. at 4. in
- 4. 1. be 2. having 3. is 4. been
- 5. 1. cricket 2. football 3. tennis 4. rugby

Cloze Test 204

Krishna helped my husbands create a strategy. They **(1)** by killing Jarasandha, the most feared **(2)** of the time—and incidentally, a long time enemy of Krishna. **(3)** released the many kings Jarasandha had imprisoned in his labyrinths and gave them back **(4)** kingdoms. This made my husband so popular that **(5)** they went after that, they were greeted with friendship.

- 1. 1. initiate 2. begun 3. commence 4. began
- 2. 1. rule 2. sovereignty 3. dominion 4. ruler
- 3. 1. They then 2. Then after they
- 3. Their after they 4. They kept
- 4. 1. their 2. whose 3. there 4. that
- 5. 1. when if 2. whichever
- 3. wherever 4. if at all

Cloze Test 205

I would uncover the story that lay **(1)** between the lines of the men's exploits. Better still, I **(2)** one of them tell it herself, with all her joys and doubts, her struggles and her triumphs, her heartbreaks, her achievements, the unique female way **(3)** which she sees her world and her place in it. And who could be **(4)** for this than Panchaali? It is her life, her voice, her questions, and her vision that I invite you **(5)** 'The Palace of Illusions'.

- 1. 1. visible 2. detectable 3. invisible 4. obvious
- 2. 1. could 2. will 3. will have 4. would have
- 3. 1. by 2. through 3. though 4. in
- 4. 1. better performed 2. best matched
- 3. better suited 4. better meant
- 5. 1. upon 2. of 3. on to 4. into

Cloze Test



Cloze Test 206

Yes, there's definitely something to be said about **(1)** the perfect cup of coffee. I'm staring **(2)** the machine again, but today I'm smiling. I've done it – the correct amount of foam, the **(3)** like silk and the little dusting of chocolate, **(4)** a perfect heart on the top. It's just a shame that it's me who is drinking it, not a/an **(5)** customer.

- 1. 1. sobbing 2. breaking 3. making 4. loading
- 2. 1. on 2. at 3. to 4. of
- 3. 1. cruelty 2. irrationality 3. rigidity 4. smoothness
- 4. 1. forming 2. formation 3. formerly 4. forcing
- 5. 1. satiated 2. calculative
- 3. famished 4. appreciative

Cloze Test 207

Rock candy is actually a collection of large sugar crystals that are "grown" from a sugar-water **(1)**. Crystals form when the smallest particles of a substance, the molecules, arrange themselves in a/an **(2)** and repetitive pattern. Molecules are too small for us to see moving around and **(3)** themselves, but you can get a rough idea of what this would look like by taking a small shallow tray and filling it with marbles, ball bearings, or other spheres. As you **(4)** more spheres, the bottom of the tray becomes covered, then the spheres must form layers on top of **(5)**, and a structure or pattern emerges.

- 1. 1. solution 2. ramification
- 3. convergence 4. disposition
- 2. 1. wholly 2. vastly
- 3. orderly 4. adeptly
- 3. 1. arranging 2. shielding
- 3. summarizing 4. dividing
- 4. 1. add 2. toil
- 3. please 4. curse
- 5. 1. every other 2. others
- 3. one 4. one another

Cloze Test 208

According to the Integrated Taxonomic Information System (ITIS) there are more than 60 **(1)** of rat, which means they come in all sizes. They are **(2)** 5 inches (12 centimeters), or longer, according to Encyclopedia Britannica. The largest species is the Bosavi woolly rat, which was **(3)** in 2009 in the rainforest of Papua New Guinea (and doesn't have a scientific name yet). It is **(4)** the size of a cat 32.2 inches (82 cm) from nose to tail and **(5)** around 3.3 lbs. (1.5 kilograms), according to CNN.

- 1. 1. species 2. objects
- 3. entities 4. sections
- 2. 1. manually 2. modestly
- 3. surgically 4. typically
- 3. 1. discovered 2. denuded
- 3. invented 4. screened
- 4. 1. some 2. of
- 3. a lot 4. about
- 5. 1. weighs 2. measures
- 3. counts 4. evaluates



Cloze Test

Answers

Cloze Test 1:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. affect 2. 2. which
- 3. 2. were
- 4. 1. had 5. 4. Aggravate

Cloze test 2:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. each 2. 3. throughout
- 3. 3. Many
- 4. 2. Instead 5. 3. your

Cloze test 3:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. Demonstrated 2. 4. life
- 3. 3. sedentary 4. 2. Creative
- 5. 3. Supplemented

Cloze test 4 :

Answer:-

- 1. 3. issue 2. 1. Regularly
- 3. 2. Tackle 4. 1. curb
- 5. 3. Efforts

Cloze test 5:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. collapsed 2. 2. Used
- 3. 3. Caused 4. 4. outwards
- 5. 2. Shorter

Cloze test 6:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. absence 2. 1. being
- 3. 3. Much 4. 3. rather
- 5. 4. Refers

Cloze test 7:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. Imagine 2. 1. Hearing
- 3. 3. Mothers 4. 4. Man's
- 5. 3. Hostile

Cloze test 8:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. Has done 2. 3. Launched
- 3. 2. Over 4. 4. several
- 5. 2. That

Cloze test 9:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. at 2. 3. splendidly
- 3. 3. Fierce 4. 1. unison
- 5. 2. Curtly

Cloze test 10:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. rashly 2. 2. Routines
- 3. 1. Absence
- 4. 4. preferred 5. 1. Faced

Cloze test 11:

Answer:-

- 1. 1. which 2. 3. crew
- 3. 2. Launched
- 4. 2. was 5. 1. Voyage

Cloze test 12:

Answer:-

- 1. 1. widely 2. 3. able
- 3. 2. Do
- 4. 4. To
- 5. 4. Dry

Cloze test 13:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. than 2. 4. and
- 3. 3. for
- 4. 1. willing 5. 2. Which

Cloze test14:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. with 2. 4. agile
- 3. 1. has
- 4. 4. lives 5. 4. Despite

Cloze test 15:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. on 2. 4. found
- 3. 4. present
- 4. c. but 5. 1. Harmful

Cloze test 16:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. signing 2. 1. Leading
- 3. 4. Known
- 4. 1. sponsored 5. 1. Striking

Cloze test 17:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. what 2. 3. but
- 3. 4. Very
- 4. 3. rely 5. 1. Than

Cloze test 18:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. issued 2. 3. for
- 3. 2. Set
- 4. 1. soon 5. 4. requisite



Cloze Test

Cloze test 19:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. dependence 2. 3. Less
- 3. 2. deepened 4. 2. hand
- 5. 2. Led

Cloze test 20:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. much 2. 1. devote
- 3. 3. others
- 4. 3. creatures 5. 3. Let

Cloze test 21:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. Universally 2. 2. Awarded
- 3. 3. any
- 4. 4. Cruelty 5.3. understand

Cloze test 22:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. on 2. 1. So
- 3. 3. Because
- 4. 4. regulate 5. 4. Maintain

Cloze test 23:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. mean
- 2. 3. comprehend
- 3. 3. effectively
- 4. 1. Essential
- 5. 1. Have

Cloze test 24:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. barely 2. 4. Horrible
- 3. 2. Piled
- 4. 2. raced 5. 3. Scene

Cloze test 25:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. maintaining 2. 4. Establish
- 3. 2. peak 4. 3. important
- 5. 4. Done

Cloze test 26:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. and
- 2. 1. Worsening
- 3. 4. Razing
- 4. 4. peaks
- 5. 4. Withdrawal

Cloze test 27:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. make 2. 1. commonly
- 3. 1. both
- 4. 2. its 5. 4. Prompted

Cloze test 28:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. Experts 2. 1. across
- 3. 1. includes
- 4. 4. as 5. 2. Workers

Cloze test 29:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. Vital 2. 3. between
- 3. 4. More
- 4. 3. thereby 5. 3. Must

Cloze test 30:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. associate 2. 1. whether
- 3. 3. Does 4. 4. from
- 5. 2. Speakers

Cloze test 31:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. at 2. 4. has
- 3. 3. whom
- 4. 4. evaluate 5. 2.

Provoked

Cloze test 32:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. both 2. 4. by
- 3. 4. earliest
- 4. 2. however 5. 3. Given

Cloze test 33:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. where 2. 2. the
- 3. 3. covered
- 4. 2. distinguish 5. 1. Seen

Cloze test 34:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. Another 2. 1. impact
- 3. 3. sources
- 4. 2. exposure 5. 2. cause

Cloze test 35:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. comes 2. 2. inspire
- 3. 1. who
- 4. 3. in 5. 2. Action

Cloze test 36:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. needs 2. 3. conditions
- 3. 3. Without 4. 2. that
- 5. 4. Are



Cloze Test

Cloze test 37:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. born 2. 1. whisper
- 3. 3. Scrubbed 4. 2. laundered
- 5. 2. Voice

Cloze test 38:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. has 2. 1. development
- 3. 3. model 4. 3. their
- 5. 3. Being

Cloze test 39:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. established 2. 1. At
- 3. 3. Has been
- 4. 3. because 5. 3. From

Cloze test 40:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. express 2. 4. Relation
- 3. 1. Realise
- 4. 3. Highest 5. 2. Harmony

Cloze test 41:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. succumbed 2. 4. undergoing
- 3. 3. In 4. 2. toll
- 5. 3. Tested

Cloze test 42:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. at 2. 2. before
- 3. 2. spark 4. 2. down
- 5. 3. Following

Cloze test 43:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. talk 2. 4. promoting
- 3. 3. more 4. 2. constantly
- 5. 1. Not

Cloze test 44:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. has 2. 2. the
- 3. 3. in 4. 3. Issued
- 5. 1. Repairing

Cloze test 45:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. damper 2. 1. choice
- 3. 1. Investing 4. 3. who
- 5. 1. Wrong

Cloze test 46:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. fulfil 2. 4. pursue
- 3. 1. Had proved 4. 2. difficult
- 5. 3. Unaffordable

Cloze test 47:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. vital 2. 3. conscious
- 3. 3. ability 4. 1. To
- 5. 2. Overcome

Cloze test 48:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. dependent 2. 4. Masters
- 3. 3. Upon 4. 3. given
- 5. 2. Optimum

Cloze test 49:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. appropriate 2. 2. out
- 3. 1. Damages 4. 4. discovered
- 5. 4. Malady

Cloze test 50:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. usually 2. 2. virtue
- 3. 2. succeeds 4. 3. make
- 5. 2. Imposed

Cloze test 51:

Answer:-

- 1. 1. in 2. 2. Needed
- 3. 4. that
- 4. 3. largest 5. 4. favourites

Cloze test 52:

Answer:-

- 1. b. convoy 2. c. were moving
- 3. b. crash
- 4. c. fortunately 5. b. clearing

Cloze test 53:

Answer:-

- 1. d. offered 2. a. for
- 3. c. struggling
- 4. c. was making 5. c. take back

Cloze test 54:

Answer:-

- 1. c. that 2. a. to
- 3. d. the
- 4. a. elegant 5. a. built



Cloze Test

Cloze test 55:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. Was left
- 2. 1. he
- 3. 1. local
- 4. 4. alongside
- 5. 1. worker

Cloze test 56:

Answer:-

- 1. 3. caused
- 2. 3. In
- 3. 3. generally
- 4. 3. confined
- 5. 4. Which

Cloze test 57:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. but
- 2. 1. Density
- 3. 3. in
- 4. 3. uneven
- 5. 1. Live

Cloze test 58:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. up 2. 4. inherited
- 3. 3. took
- 4. 3. Her 5. 1. Beside

Cloze test 59:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. Ancient 2. 3. Of
- 3. 2. Careful
- 4. 3. or 5. 4. Venturing

Cloze test 60:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. of 2. 1. effort
- 3. 1. spend
- 4. 2. acknowledge
- 5. 4. However

Cloze test 61:

Answer:-

- 1. 1. entered 2. 2. about
- 3. 2. at
- 4. 3. seat 5. 4. Filled

Cloze test 62:

Answer:-

- 1. 2. control 2. 3. release
- 3. 4. in
- 4. 4. devastated 5. 2.

Deprived

Cloze test 63:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. worst 2. 4. leaked
- 3. 2. at
- 4. 3. Deathly 5. 4.

Deferred

Cloze test 64:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. originated 2. 1. the
- 3. 3. with
- 4. 4. prevalent 5. 2. Pervade

Cloze test 65:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. decade 2. 3. access
- 3. 2. kilns

- 4. 3. plenty

Cloze test 66:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. turtles
- 2. 1. shells
- 3. 1. length
- 4. 1. beach
- 5. 1. eggs

Cloze test 67:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. ensure
- 2. 1. Greatest
- 3. 3. number
- 4. 4. oppose
- 5. 1. Genuine

Cloze test 68:

Answer :-

- 1. b. those
- 2. d. a
- 3. c. alike
- 4. d. Mistakes
- 5. a. particular

Cloze test 69:

Answer :-

- 1. d. with 2. c. where
- 3. a. route 4. d. largest
- 5. b. appeared

Cloze test 70:

Answer :-

- 1. c. among 2. a. said
- 3. b. almost
- 4. a. different 5. d. bird



Cloze Test

Cloze test 71:

Answer :-

1. a. with
2. c. other
3. b. place
4. c. country
5. a. to

Cloze test 72:

Answer :-

1. d. were
2. a. these
3. b. many
4. d. disintegrate
5. d. broke up

Cloze test 73:

Answer :-

1. d. dispersers
2. b. elephants
3. a. saplings
4. b. certain
5. b. adapting

Cloze test 74:

Answer :-

1. a. fed
2. c. with
3. b. there
4. d. officials
5. b. of

Cloze test 75:

Answer :-

1. b. opportunity
2. c. product

3. c. on

4. a. being

5. d. motive

Cloze test 76:

Answer :-

1. b. choice
2. d. of
3. d. unless

4. d. should

5. a. square

Cloze test 77:

Answer :-

1. a. of
2. b. placed
3. d. was made
4. d. either
5. a. a

Cloze test 78:

Answer :-

1. a. the
2. b. sprawling
3. c. nor

4. b. destroyed

5. b. and

Cloze test 79:

Answer :-

1. a. of
2. d. villagers
3. a. them
4. b. from
5. b. children

Cloze test 80:

Answer :-

1. a. seat
2. d. time
3. b. waiter
4. b. what
5. b. the

Cloze test 81:

Answer :-

1. c. they
2. b. appeared
3. a. british
4. c. perhaps
5. a. which

Cloze test 82:

Answer :-

1. b. flap
2. c. has built
3. a. making
4. c. for
5. c. survive

Cloze test 83:

Answer :-

1. a. loaded
2. d. source
3. c. other
4. a. aids
5. a. negligible

Cloze test 84:

Answer :-

1. c. ahead
2. d. find
3. d. reports
4. a. information
5. d. enemy



Cloze Test

Cloze test 85:

Answer :-

- 1. a. a 2. a. were
- 3. a. who
- 4. b. job 5. c. spread

Cloze test 86:

Answer :-

- 1. b. they 2. c. eat
- 3. d. every
- 4. b. however 5. b. started

Cloze test 87:

Answer :-

- 1. d. ago 2. d. high
- 3. d. both
- 4. a. on 5. a. and

Cloze test 88:

Answer :-

- 1. d. erupted 2. d. evacuated
- 3. a. were
- 4. a. however 5. a. desire

Cloze test 89:

Answer :-

- 1. b. and 2. a. found
- 3. a. their
- 4. b. in 5. b. scientists

Cloze test 90:

Answer :-

- 1. b. forefront 2. a. scapegoats
- 3. b. by 4. b. their
- 5. a. responsibility

Cloze test 91:

Answer :-

- 1. d. was left 2. b. fallen
- 3. b. in
- 4. d. smitten 5. b. rival

Cloze test 92:

Answer :-

- 1. belonging 2. b. the
- 3. c. after
- 4. b. Smouldering 5. b. Official

Cloze test 93:

Answer :-

- 1. b. spending 2. a. are
- 3. a. improve
- 4. b. gadgets 5. c. progress

Cloze test 94:

Answer :-

- 1. c. early 2. c. intake
- 3. a. increased
- 4. a. of 5. a. pressure

Cloze test 95:

Answer :-

- 1. d. is facing 2. b. which
- 3. a. discovered 4. d. deadly
- 5. d. its

Cloze test 96:

Answer :-

- 1. a. make
- 2. d. people
- 3. b. material
- 4. d. of
- 5. c. when

Cloze test 97:

Answer:-

- 1. c. they
- 2. a. reach
- 3. a. at
- 4. a. than
- 5. b. daily

Cloze test 98:

Answer:-

- 1. 4. immense
- 2. 3. number
- 3. 4. Appreciated
- 4. 2. dignitaries
- 5. 3. Felicitated

Cloze test 99:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. Has 2. 2. Treasures
- 3. 2. Spiritual 4. 2. Realization
- 5. 1. Inherited

Cloze test 100:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. since 2. 2. boarded
- 3. 1. whom
- 4. 2. lend 5. 3. Pay

Cloze test 101:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. spans 2. 1. estimated
- 3. 3. renowned
- 4. 1. vibrant 5. 1. Indigenous



Cloze Test

Cloze test 102:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. advanced 2. 2. in the
- 3. 4. spend
- 4. 4. perhaps 5. 2. Functions

Cloze test 103:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. usually
- 2. 2. frequent
- 3. 4. baffled
- 4. 1. depict
- 5. 3. outnumbering

Cloze test 104:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. by 2. 4. derive
- 3. 4. estimate
- 4. 4. willingly 5. 1. Conditions

Cloze test 105:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. biased
- 2. 4. trigger 3. 4. anxiety
- 4. 4. illicit 5. 3. decline

Cloze Test 106.

Answer

- 1. 2. belong 2. 1. are known
- 3. 2. distinctive 4. 4. However
- 5. 1. for example

Cloze test 107:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. motivation 2. 1. behaviour
- 3. 2. predictions

- 4. 4. achievements
- 5. 3. determinants

Cloze test 108:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. later 2. 1. idyllic
- 3. 2. rejected

- 4. 1. vistas 5. 2. Provided

Cloze test 109:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. on 2. 1. entire
- 3. 3. attraction
- 4. 4. surpassed
- 5. 3. Supported

Cloze test 110:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. environmental
- 2. 2. emission
- 3. 4. gradual

- 4. 1. causes 5. 1. Erratic

Cloze test 111:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. irresistible 2. 3. violently
- 3. 4. fulfilled
- 4. 1. utter 5. 3. Necessity

Cloze test 112:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. evolution
- 2. 4. warmth
- 3. 2. friction
- 4. 2. cumbersome
- 5. 1. Illumination

Cloze test 113:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. phishing 2. 3. aware
- 3. 2. updates
- 4. 3. measures 5. 3. Vigilance

Cloze test 114:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. by 2. 4. travelling
- 3. 3. as
- 4. 1. responsible
- 5. 3. Aloof

Cloze test 115:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. landscape 2. 3. covered
- 3. 4. lustrous
- 4. 4. carried 5. 4. hues

Cloze test 116:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. adventurous 2. 1. journey
- 3. 1. with
- 4. 3. sounds 5. 4. determination

Cloze test 117

Answer :-

- 1. 1. has
- 2. 4. this
- 3. 3. does not
- 4. 2. regarding
- 5. 1. Information

cloze test 118:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. Today 2. 1. an 3. 1. its
- 4. 3. unique 5. 3. Increasingly



Cloze Test

Cloze test 119:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. except 2. 3. excitement
- 3. 3. bearing
- 4. 1. beautiful 5. 4. After

Cloze test 120:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. importance 2. 2. ample
- 3. 3. abode
- 4. 3. integral 5. 3. Ensure

Cloze test 121:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. adaptation
- 2. 3. mutation
- 3. 2. through
- 4. 3. diversification
- 5. 3. To

Cloze test 122:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. storehouse 2. 1. knowledge
- 3. 1. editorials 4. 2. power
- 5. 4. Responsibilities

Cloze test 123:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. The 2. 3. learning
- 3. 2. among 4. 4. taught
- 5. 4. Generated

Cloze test 124:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. that 2. 2. Explain
- 3. 4. learned
- 4. 3. commitment 5. 2. Kept

Cloze test 125:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. are written 2. 4. teacher
- 3. 2. record
- 4. 3. future 5. 1. Individually

Cloze test 126:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. Revolution
- 2. 1. commenced
- 3. 1. abolition
- 4. 4. elimination 5. 3. Upheaval

Cloze test 127:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. rapidly 2. 3. introduce
- 3. 4. where
- 4. 1. approaches 5. 1. Generating

Cloze test 128:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. knows 2. 1. fragile
- 3. 3. ingredient
- 4. 3. converted
- 5. 3. Produced

Cloze test 129:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. experience
- 2. 1. has designed 3. 4. most
- 4. 1. which 5. 3. Concept

Cloze test 130:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. action 2. 3. profound
- 3. 3. far-reaching
- 4. 1. solutions

5. 2. Efforts

Cloze test 131:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. ways
- 2. 3. unfair
- 3. 1. adulterated
- 4. 3. scattered
- 5. 2. Manipulate

Cloze test 132:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. place
- 2. 4. changing
- 3. 4. down
- 4. 2. success
- 5. 3. both

Cloze test 133:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. considered 2. 3. awareness
- 3. 3. Since 4. 1. As a result
- 5. 3. breaks into

Cloze test 134:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. the 2. 3. cultures
- 3. 3. source
- 4. 3. as 5. 2. Existence

Cloze test 135:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. challenges 2. 4. emission
- 3. 2. negative 4. 3. policies
- 5. 3. Mitigating



Cloze Test

Cloze test 136:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. rewarding 2. 4. give
- 3. 2. commit
- 4. 1. progress 5. 2. Enjoyable

Cloze test 137:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. important 2. 2. before
- 3. 2. come
- 4. 1. realise 5. 3. Advisable

Cloze test 138:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. capable 2. 3. within
- 3. 1. than
- 4. 3. of 5. 2. Like

Cloze test 139:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. provides 2. 3. letters
- 3. 1. given
- 4. 3. Tracing 5. 4. as well

Cloze test 140:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. diversity 2. 2. strategies
- 3. 4. exploitation
- 4. 3. monitoring
- 5. 3. Recreational

Cloze test 141:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. somewhere 2. 1. training
- 3. 4. wondered
- 4. 4. expedition 5. 4. Based

Cloze test 142:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. eulogised 2. 4. devastating
- 3. 2. numbed 4. 3. exposing
- 5. 1. Mourn

Cloze test 143:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. biggest states 2. 2. organise
- 3. 1. strengthening
- 4. 2. immense
- 5. 3. Laudable

Cloze test 144:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. a 2. 3. consists
- 3. 3. on
- 4. 3. few 5. 2. belongings

Cloze test 145:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. soaring 2. 2. while
- 3. 4. snapping 4. 4. effort
- 5. 3. Sensation

Cloze test 146:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. depend 2. 1. shall
- 3. 3. consume
- 4. 3. was founded 5. 3. Merged

Cloze test 147:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. enough 2. 4. thinking
- 3. 2. series 4. 3. contempt
- 5. 3. Explained

Cloze test 148:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. distribution 2. 4. whereas
- 3. 3. reaches 4. 3. influence
- 5. 4. Put

Cloze test 149:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. impart 2. 1. across
- 3. 2. trained
- 4. 3. enable 5. 1. Enhance

Cloze test 150:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. challenge
- 2. 2. consequences
- 3. 4. reality
- 4. 3. occurred 5. 3. Joint

Cloze test 151:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. and 2. 3. combines
- 3. 1. themselves 4. 3. by
- 5. 3. drinking water

Cloze test 152:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. traded 2. 1. transaction
- 3. 3. concept
- 4. 1. appealing 5. 4. Deposited

Cloze test 153:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. nutrients 2. 4. flourish
- 3. 4. derived
- 4. 2. substances 5. 3. Harming



Cloze Test

Cloze test 154:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. increasing 2. 3. caters
- 3. 1. personal
- 4. 2. massive
- 5. 4. has been witnessed

Cloze test 155:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. broaden
- 2. 4. opportunity
- 3. 3. stay
- 4. 4. aspect
- 5. 1. Possibilities

Cloze test 156:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. steadily 2. 3. much
- 3. 1. control 4. 4. severely
- 5. 3. Alternative

Cloze test 157:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. used 2. 3. on
- 3. 4. varied
- 4. 3. and 5. 3. Caption

Cloze test 158:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. empower 2. 1. unique
- 3. 2. help
- 4. 4. brainstorming 5. 4. Evolve

Cloze test 159:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. detrimental 2. 1. rules
- 3. 3. interacting

- 4. 2. guidance 5. 2. cognizant

Cloze test 160:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. consists 2. 3. aware
- 3. 4. basis 4. 3. repressed
- 5. 2. Bizarre

Cloze test 161:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. emission 2. 3. imbalance
- 3. 4. communities
- 4. 1. famine
- 5. 2. Irreversible

Cloze test 162:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. more 2. 3. buried
- 3. 3. about 4. 1. like
- 5. 4. But

Cloze test 163:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. villages 2. 4. greener
- 3. 3. Instead 4. 1. commute
- 5. 2. Outwards

Cloze test 164:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. that 2. 1. disappear
- 3. 4. until 4. 2. slowly
- 5. 2. just as

Cloze test 165:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. function
- 2. 2. managing
- 3. 2. problem-solving

- 4. 1. efficiency

- 5. 3. Upholding

Cloze test 166:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. is 2. 1. since
- 3. 2. reversed 4. 2. flexibility
- 5. 4. Irrevocably

Cloze test 167:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. subjugated
- 2. 2. construction
- 3. 4. perceived
- 4. 1. destroyed
- 5. 4. Fauna

Cloze test 168:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. a 2. 4. consists
- 3. 1. on 4. 1. Few

Cloze test 169:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. quite 2. 2. soiled
- 3. 3. down 4. 3. Inhibiting

Cloze test 170:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. comprise 2. 4. fact
- 3. 4. trust 4. 4. Violations

Cloze test 171 :

Answer :-

- 1. 2. the
- 2. 3. cultures
- 3. 1. source
- 4. 4. As



Cloze Test

Cloze test 172:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. causes 2. 3. problem
- 3. 4. solution 4. 3. quantity
- 5. 4. Fewer

Cloze test 173:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. colour 2. 2. ready
- 3. 2. packs 4. 1. shipped off
- 5. 2. Rejects

Cloze test 174:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. published 2. 3. life
- 3. 4. while 4. 1. beats
- 5. 4. Likely

Cloze test 175:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. delivery 2. 3. orders
- 3. 4. terms
- 4. 2. much 5. 2. Retain

Cloze test 176:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. entry 2. 3. next
- 3. 1. who
- 4. 1. touch 5. 4. Well

Cloze test 177:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. determines 2. 1. concluded
- 3. 4. proportional
- 4. 4. budget 5. 2. Generally

Cloze test 178:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. long 2. 1. seemed
- 3. 2. around
- 4. 3. breathe 5. 1. Story

Cloze test 179:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. who 2. 4. seeking
- 3. 2. along with
- 4. 4. backed up 5. 4. Or

Cloze test 180:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. shipped 2. 1. turn
- 3. 3. called 4. 3. spoilage
- 5. 2. Fact

Cloze test 181:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. common 2. 1. granules
- 3. 2. sprinkle
- 4. 2. extracted 5. 2. Naturally

Cloze test 182:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. about 2. 1. he had
- 3. 3. away
- 4. 3. demoness 5. 3. Deluge

Cloze test 183:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. queue 2. 2. stuck
- 3. 1. temper
- 4. 1. anyway 5. 4. Dispatched

Cloze test 184:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. reptiles 2. 1. their
- 3. 2. Many
- 4. 3. enabling 5. 2. by

Cloze test 185:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. one 2. 4. many
- 3. 3. planning
- 4. 2. rooted 5. 4. through

Cloze test 186:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. earlier 2. 2. rain
- 3. 1. characterised 4. 1. part
- 5. 1. Example

Cloze test 187:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. negative 2. 3. these
- 3. 2. highly
- 4. 2. lose 5. 3. Available

Cloze test 188:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. host 2. 3. these
- 3. 3. takeaway
- 4. 1. has become 5. 1. predict

Cloze test 189:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. invented 2. 2. origin
- 3. 1. Greeks
- 4. 4. innovation 5. 1. Tomato



Cloze Test

Cloze test 190:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. scanned 2. 1. found
- 3. 4. potentially 4. 2. send
- 5. 2. Performance

Cloze test 191:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. interrupted
- 2. 2. resumed 3. 2. again
- 4. 2. decision 5. 3. Separate

Cloze test 192:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. happen 2. 3. uncomfortable
- 3. 1. shape 4. 4. joint
- 5. 1. Affected

Cloze test 193:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. agendas 2. 1. aware
- 3. 1. what
- 4. 2. productive 5. 1. need to

Cloze test 194:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. but 2. 3. foundation
- 3. 2. techniques
- 4. 1. budding 5. 3. Who

Cloze test 195:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. refused 2. 1. being 3. 1. who
- 4. 1. I 5. 1. writing

Cloze test 196:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. with 2. 3. maintaining

- 3. 1. predators 4. 2. sleep

- 5. 3. Stimuli

Cloze test 197:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. looked 2. 2. reputation
- 3. 4. formidable 4. 4. activity
- 5. 3. Spreading

Cloze test 198:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. explored 2. 2. discovered
- 3. 2. named 4. 1. period
- 5. 1. wiped out

Cloze test 199:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. from 2. 1. due 3. 1. effect
- 4. 3. surface 5. 3. Earth

Cloze test 200:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. benefit 2. 3. while
- 3. 3. health 4. 1. press
- 5. 2. Regular

Cloze test 201:

Answer :-

- 1. 2. pushed 2. 1. them
- 3. 3. toppled 4. 1. went over
- 5. 2. In

Cloze test 202:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. rare 2. 1. major
- 3. 4. have seen
- 4. 1. forced 5. 1. Storm

Cloze test 203:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. as 2. 3. plays 3. 1. of
- 4. 2. having 5. 2. Football

Cloze test 204:

Answer :-

- 1. 4. began 2. 4. ruler
- 3. 1. They then 4. 1. their
- 5. 3. Wherever

Cloze test 205:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. invisible 2. 4. would have
- 3. 4. in 4. 3. better suited
- 5. 4. Into

Cloze test 206:

Answer :-

- 1. 3. making 2. 2. at
- 3. 4. smoothness 4. 1. forming
- 5. 4. Appreciative

Cloze test 207:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. solution 2. 3. orderly
- 3. 1. arranging 4. 1. add
- 5. 4. one another

Cloze test 208:

Answer :-

- 1. 1. species 2. 4. typically
- 3. 1. discovered 4. 4. about
- 5. 1. weighs