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Answers & Solutions

Time : 45 min.

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(English)

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The duration of this test is 45 minutes.
2. The test contains 50 questions out of which 40 questions need to be attempted.
3. Marking Scheme of the test:
 - a. Correct answer or the most appropriate answer: Five marks (+5)
 - b. Any incorrect option marked will be given minus one mark (–1).
 - c. Unanswered/Marked for Review will be given no mark (0).

Choose the correct answer :

1. Read the passage given below and answer the question that follows by choosing the correct option:

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person who was least involved in the enmity and who did not have a direct motive for committing the crime. Of course there was one case where I found that a lift operator had in fact committed the crime of raping and killing a girl without doubt. In that case I affirmed the sentence.

In my view while courts are hearing the capital punishment cases they should alert the law-enforcing authorities to intelligently find out the source of sustenance of the individual who is being punished and that of his family.

This kind of analysis may lead to the real person and the motive which has led to the crime. We are all the creations of God. I am not sure a human system or a human being is competent to take away a life based on artificial and created evidence.

APJ. Abdul Kalam

The 'inherited task' that APJ Abdul Kalam was not happy about was: -

- (1) Exhausting all processes of appeals
- (2) The decision on the issue of confirming capital punishment
- (3) Getting the cases examined from normal citizen's point of view
- (4) The social and financial status of the individuals who were convicted

Answer (2)

Sol. The answer can be inferred from the first two sentences of the passage.

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The expression 'capital punishment' means: -

- (1) Punishment by the highest court of the country
- (2) Thirty years imprisonment
- (3) Punishment by death
- (4) Rigorous life imprisonment

Answer (3)

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The outcome of examining the cases from a normal citizen's point of view was, that: -

- (1) The cases had a social and economic bias.
- (2) The person did not have a direct motive for committing the crime.
- (3) The lift operator's crime was one of a kind.
- (4) The courts should alert the law-enforcing authorities to get to the root of the case.

Answer (1)

Sol. The answer can be found in the first paragraph.

4. Read the passage given below and answer the question that follows by choosing the correct option:

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The synonym for 'considerable' from the passage is:

- (1) Capital
- (2) Substantial
- (3) Financial
- (4) Artificial

Answer (2)

Sol. "Considerable" means "notably large in size, amount, or extent".

5. Read the passage given below and answer the question that follows by choosing the correct option:

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The word 'competent' is an :

- (1) Adverb (2) Abstract noun
(3) Adjective (4) Auxiliary verb

Answer (3)

Sol. The word "competent" has been used in the last sentence of the passage where it is qualifying a noun "human being". That's the nature of adjectives.

6. Read the following passage and answer the question that follows by choosing the correct option:

Later that evening, Sacha suddenly became aware that her parents had appeared in the courtyard. Her initial shock was replaced in quick succession by shame, guilt and annoyance. Mrs. Wilkie hurled her luggage to the floor, and with eyes blazing drew back her shoulders in readiness for battle. In a thunderous voice she demanded to know, 'Who's in charge?

Why is there no-one at the reception?' Her mother's laser eye soon pin-pointed Sacha, who was trying to shrink back into the shadows, and she launched herself across the space to demand, 'What on earth are you doing in a place like this? I thought you were staying somewhere decent!' She wheeled around and commanded, 'You young people should be in bed! It's late.'

The events of the next two hours were a blur to Sacha. The room in that same hostel which her parents had booked from home over the internet was dirty, her mother caught the heel of her shoe in the threadbare carpet, and a pillow was brought down to reception held aloft between thumb and forefinger for fear of disease. Mrs. Wilkie was assured that the overwhelming smell of gas was normal, and was probably from a neighbouring establishment. She insisted that Sacha and Jed clear the kitchen sinks and take out the leaking rubbish bags, not realising that there were no tea towels and nowhere outside that was free of rats.

Finally, recognising that this sorry state of affairs could not be remedied, Mrs. Wilkie made Sacha pack her things and ordered a taxi to take them all to a luxury hotel. 'End of the gap year!' Thought Sacha, miserably.

Was Sacha expecting her mother's visit?

- (1) Not at all
(2) Yes, but only with her father
(3) Yes, to some extent
(4) Expected her the following month

Answer (1)

Sol. The answer can be found in the first sentence of the passage.

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During her visit, the mother found Sacha's room

- (1) Neat and clean
- (2) Without bed and chairs
- (3) Very dirty and unkempt
- (4) Well-decorated

Answer (3)

Sol. The answer can be found in the second sentence of the third paragraph.

8. Read the following passage and answer the question that follows by choosing the correct option:

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What was Sacha's reaction on seeing her parents at the hostel? She was_____.

- (1) Amused and relaxed
- (2) Ashamed, guilty, agitated
- (3) Angry and pained
- (4) Anxious and depressed

Answer (2)

Sol. The answer can be found in the second sentence of the first paragraph.

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The expressions 'eyes blazing', 'thunderous voice' 'laser eye', 'wheeled around' suggest that Sacha's mother was:

- (1) Indignant (2) Overjoyed
(3) Embarrassing (4) A scatterbrain

Answer (1)

Sol. The answer can be derived from the entirety of the passage.

Indignant: feeling or showing anger or annoyance at what is perceived as unfair treatment

10. Read the following passage and answer the question that follows by choosing the correct option:

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What did Mrs. Wilkie decide to do at last?

- (1) To return home with her daughter
(2) To shift her back to the hostel
(3) Permitted her to stay there only for a month
(4) To shift to a luxury hotel

Answer (4)

Sol. The answer can be found in the first sentence of the last paragraph.

11. Read the following lines and answer the question that follows by choosing the correct option:

The signal was given, the pistol exploded

And so did the runners on hearing the sound But the youngest among them stumbled and staggered And he fell on his knees to the ground.

He gave out a cry of frustration and anguish

His dreams and his efforts dashed in the dirt

But as sure as I'm standing here telling the story Now it's a strange one, but here's what occurred

The eight other athletes stopped in their tracks

The ones who had trained for so long to compete One by one they turned round and came back to help him and lifted the lad to his feet.

That's how the race ended, with nine gold medals They came to the finish line holding hands still

And the banner above and nine smiling faces

Said more than these words ever will

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In the sentence - 'The signal was given, the pistol exploded and so did the runners, the underlined phrase means that the runners_____.

- (1) Were stranded due to the explosion
(2) Burst out in anger
(3) Sprinted off
(4) Eased off

Answer (3)

Sol. The answer can be derived from the first stanza using common sense as the poem talks about runners and exploding pistol is a customary practice to start a race.

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The runner who fell down was the _____ athlete :

- (1) Youngest (2) Eldest
(3) Most promising (4) Weakest

Answer (1)

Sol. The answer can be found in the third line of the first stanza.

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When one of the runners fell down, the rest of them _____ :

- (1) Completed the race without him
(2) Rushed to the finish line
(3) Stopped, helped him and finished the race with him
(4) Ignored him completely

Answer (3)

Sol. The answer can be derived from the last two stanzas

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Identify the word from the lines above, that means the same as - DISTRESS.

- (1) Frustration (2) Staggered
(3) Dashed (4) Anguish

Answer (4)

Sol. Distress: extreme anxiety, sorrow, or pain

Anguish: severe mental or physical pain or suffering

15. Read the following lines and answer the question that follows by choosing the correct option :

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The message of the poem is _____:

- (1) Cooperation and empathy
- (2) Cooperation and competition
- (3) Friendship and attention
- (4) How to win

Answer (1)

Sol. Cooperation: the action or process of working together to the same end

Empathy: the ability to understand and share the feelings of another

16. Match the words in **List - I** with their Antonyms in **List - II**.

List - I	List - II
(A) lament	(I) alertness
(B) kindred	(II) rejoice
(C) melodious	(III) unrelated
(D) lethargy	(IV) discordant

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below :

- (1) (A)-(III), (B)-(I), (C)-(IV), (D)-(II)
- (2) (A)-(II), (B)-(III), (C)-(IV), (D)-(I)
- (3) (A)-(II), (B)-(IV), (C)-(I), (D)-(III)
- (4) (A)-(IV), (B)-(II), (C)-(III), (D)-(I)

Answer (2)

Sol. Let's take any word from list I and match it with those of list II. A matches with II but there are two options which say that. Let's check B. B matches with III. Hence, the answer is 2.

17. Choose the appropriate Modal to complete the given sentence :

"I am short of money today". _____ you please pay my bills this time?

- (1) should
- (2) dare
- (3) could
- (4) must

Answer (3)

Sol. "Could" can be used when a very polite request is being made.

Another example: The beggar told me, "Could you please buy me a meal?"

18. Choose the word nearest in meaning to :-

"SQUALID"

- (1) tidy
- (2) dirty
- (3) solid
- (4) superficial

Answer (2)

Sol. Squalid: (of a place) extremely dirty and unpleasant, especially as a result of poverty or neglect

19. Select the option that best expresses the meaning of the word "DE JURE"

- (1) according to law
- (2) a feeling that something has happened before
- (3) to get injured
- (4) to hurt someone

Answer (1)

Sol. De jure: according to rightful entitlement or claim; by right

20. Choose the correct conversion of Active Voice to Passive Voice for the given sentence :

The cat is chasing the mouse.

- (A) The cat chases the mouse.
(B) The mouse is chasing the cat
(C) The mouse is being chased by the cat.
(D) The mouse is chased.
(E) The mouse chases the cat.

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below :

- (1) (B) Only (2) (C) Only
(3) (D) Only (4) (A) and (E) Only

Answer (2)

21. Fill in the blank with a suitable Article if necessary :-

I don't think _____ mother is home yet.

- (1) a
(2) an
(3) the
(4) zero article

Answer (4)

Sol. Because there is no context "mother" isn't specific, hence, "the" will be wrong. From the absence of any possessive determiners in the options we can infer that the speaker is talking about their own mother here. As, one's mother is always a single person, no quantifier is used. Hence, no article will be used.

22. Fill in the blank with the most suitable Phrasal Verb :-

On hearing the news of her husband's sudden demise, she _____:

Choose the **correct** option :

- (1) broke off
(2) broke down
(3) broke out
(4) broke up

Answer (2)

Sol. The meaning of "break down" here is "a physical, mental, or nervous collapse".

23. Which part/s of the given sentence has/have an error ?

"I ordered to him to leave the class room"

A B C

Choose the **correct** option :

- (1) (A) (2) (A) and (B)
(3) (B) (4) (B) and (C)

Answer (1)

Sol. In most active voice sentences, "to" isn't used between the transitive verb and its object.

24. Identify the Adjective Clause in the following sentence :

People who eat too much die early.

Choose the **correct** option :

- (1) people who
(2) who eat too much
(3) people die early
(4) die early

Answer (2)

Sol. Adjective clause is also known as Relative clause. Relative clauses function like postmodifiers in NPs (Noun Phrase) and PPs (Prepositional Phrase). A relative clause generally begins with a relative pronoun (who, whom, which, that, whichever, whoever, whomever). See, for example

- (1) (NP^MThe ^Hteacher ^{M-RCI}[*whom I love most*], has resigned)
(2) (NP^MThe ^Hnovel ^{M-RCI}[*that won the Man Booker Prize*], did not sell much.)
(3) (I went ^{PP}(^Pto ^Mthe ^Hmarket ^{M-RCI}[*which is famous for low cost mobiles*].)

25. Choose the option that gives the correct meaning of the underlined word in both the given sentences :

- (i) still waters run deep
(ii) He still lives in that house

- (1) (i) continuing, (ii) calm
(2) (i) dead, (ii) time
(3) (i) continuing, (ii) dead
(4) (i) calm, (ii) continuing

Answer (4)

26. Select the option that best expresses the given sentence in the Indirect Speech : -

The Principal said to the student, "If you don't behave properly in the class, I will suspend you."

- (1) The Principal requested the student to behave properly in the class or else he will be suspended.
- (2) The Principal warned the student that he would suspend him if he didn't behave properly in the class.
- (3) The Principal told the student that he will suspend him because of his misbehaviour.
- (4) The Principal advised the student to behave properly in the class.

Answer (2)

Sol. From the direct speech it is clear that it is a warning. Hence, the answer is 2.

Note: We usually avoid changing the tense of conditionals in narration as all the conditional sentences have fixed structures and narration-change breaks those structures. For example, the reported clause of the given direct speech is an example of first conditional. But when we change it into indirect, it doesn't remain a first conditional.

27. Fill in the blank with the correct alternative out of the given options :

The new edition of the book has been a complete sell _____:

- (1) about
- (2) out
- (3) in
- (4) off

Answer (2)

Sol. Sell out : To sell all of the supply that you have of something.

28. Identify the kind of adverb used in the following sentence :-

He doesn't like to stay at the guest house where his uncle is staying :

Choose the **correct** option:

- (1) Relative Adverb
- (2) Adverb of Manner
- (3) Adverb of Frequency
- (4) Interrogating Adverb

Answer (Erroneous Question)

Sol. There is no adverb (a word qualifying a verb / adverb / adjective) word in the sentence.

"Where his uncle is staying" could have been an adverb clause, had the sentence been like this: "He doesn't like to stay where his uncle is staying".

In the given sentence "Where his uncle is staying" is an adjective clause starting with a relative pronoun. It is a post modifier of the noun phrase "the guest house" inside the prepositional phrase "at the guest house where his uncle is staying".

29. The body of a letter comprises of _____ :

- (A) the communication
- (B) the salutation
- (C) an email
- (D) a subscription

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below

- (1) (A) and (B) Only
- (2) (A) Only
- (3) (B) and (C) Only
- (4) (D) Only

Answer (2)

30. Which of the following is the correct meaning of the word - **MAÑANA**

- (1) at some time in the future
- (2) a variety of banana
- (3) a ritual
- (4) a catastrophe

Answer (1)

Sol. Example sentence: The exhibition will be ready mañana .

31. Complete the main body of the letter by filling in the blanks with correct option :-

12, Civil Lines

Mumbai

4 October, 2022

Dear Sir,

I shall be much __ (i) __ if you could send me the books that I __ (ii) __ a week ago, as soon as __ (iii) __. I look forward to a __ (iv) __ delivery.

Yours truly

Raman Shourie

Choose the **correct** option:

- (1) (i) happy, (ii) you can, (iii) sent, (iv) safe
- (2) (i) obliged, (ii) possible, (iii) sent, (iv) prompt
- (3) (i) obliged, (ii) ordered, (iii) possible, (iv) prompt
- (4) (i) happy, (ii) you can, (iii) ordered, (iv) safe

Answer (3)

32. Fill in the blank with a suitable alternative :-

I will come tomorrow _____ the contrary.

Choose the **correct** option:

- (1) without hearing
- (2) but I hear
- (3) unless hearing
- (4) unless I hear

Answer (Erroneous Questions)

Sol. Except option 3 all the options will make grammatically correct sentences with different meanings.

Option 3 is wrong because “unless” is always attached to a subordinate finite clause, but option 3 doesn't provide one.

33. Rearrange the following words in order to make a meaningful sentence :-

- (A) at least a start on
- (B) by beginning to focus on planting trees
- (C) it is rewarding that Man has made
- (D) recognizing the significance of saving the environment

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below

- (1) (D), (B), (A), (C)
- (2) (C), (A), (D), (B)
- (3) (D), (C), (B), (A)
- (4) (A), (B), (C), (D)

Answer (2)

Sol. Step 1 : Let's read the fragments and remember the cohesion markers.

Step 2 : Let's eliminate the wrong options.

All the fragments are suitable to start a sentence. Let's look at the options. Option 4 is wrong as fragments A and B can't be connected. Option 1 is wrong as B and A cannot be connected. Option 3 is wrong too as D and C cannot be connected. Hence, the answer is 2.

It is rewarding that Man has made at least a start on recognizing the significance of saving the environment by beginning to focus on planting trees.

34. Choose the sentence where 'high' is used as an adverb :-

- (1) We must have high ambition.
- (2) Some birds fly high in the sky.
- (3) She had high hopes from his son.
- (4) Here confidence is high.

Answer (2)

Sol. Adverbs can qualify verbs, adjectives and other adverbs. In option 2 “high” is qualifying “fly” which is a verb.

35. Choose the correct determiner that must be inserted in the blank space :-

“To what extent do you think stereotypes affect _____ way people see things”?

- (1) a
- (2) the
- (3) an
- (4) No article

Answer (2)

Sol. The clause “(how) people see things” makes “way” specific. Hence, the definite article “the” should be used here.

36. Identify the Modal in the following sentence :-

They needn't always make a complaint.

- (1) always
- (2) they
- (3) complaint
- (4) needn't

Answer (4)

Sol. Modals do not express hard facts. They express possibilities probabilities, suggestions, advices, proposals, orders, requests etc. Here, in the given sentence it is a suggestion which is expressed by the verb “need”.

37. Identify and choose the correct Passive Voice form of the following sentence.

They asked me my name:

- (1) They never asked her any name.
- (2) I was asked my name.
- (3) They were asked my name.
- (4) I never ask his name.

Answer (2)

Sol. As there are two objects in the active sentence: "my name" (direct object) and "me" (indirect object) it can be passivised in two way: (1) "My name was asked (by them)" and (2) "I was asked my name".

38. Change the following sentence from an Exclamatory to an Assertive sentence by choosing the correct option.

What a piece of work is Man !

- (A) Man is a wonderful piece of work.
- (B) Men are wonderful piece of work.
- (C) Can man be so wonderful ?
- (D) Man is the noblest creation of God.

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below

- (1) (A)
- (2) (B)
- (3) (C)
- (4) (D)

Answer (1)

Sol. B is wrong as it should be "pieces". C and D are wrong as they change the sense.

39. Choose the **correct** meaning of the underlined word in the given sentence:

"We have a lot to reproach ourselves about if we do not serve our parents."

- (1) repudiate
- (2) adore
- (3) criticize
- (4) lament

Answer (3)

40. Pick out the part of the sentence which has an error. If there is no error, mark '4'.

The construction of a / new bridge requiring /

A B

a major investment

C

Choose the **correct** option:

- (1) A
- (2) B
- (3) C
- (4) No error

Answer (2)

Sol. "The construction of a new bridge" is the subject of which "requires" should be the verb.

41. Choose the correct Preposition that should be inserted in the blank:

"The school was not far from my home and I used to walk, but _____ the start of last year I had been going with the other girls in a rickshaw and coming home by bus".

- (1) for
- (2) before
- (3) from
- (4) since

Answer (Erroneous Questions)

Sol. Past perfect is used to refer a past event happening before another past event.

"For" is wrong as it is used for a duration of time but "start of last year" is a point of time. To use "since" or "from" we need to use present perfect not past perfect here. Using "before" will cause a clash with the information provided in the previous clauses.

42. Match the sentences in List-I with the correct question tags in List-II.

List-I

List-II

- | | |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| A. She is a nice lady. | (I) is she? |
| B. She isn't hard working. | (II) didn't you? |
| C. Let's go to the gym. | (III) isn't she? |
| D. You enjoyed the movie. | (IV) shall we? |

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below:

- (1) A-(III), B-(I), C-(IV), D-(II)
- (2) A-(I), B-(III), C-(IV), D-(II)
- (3) A-(III), B-(I), C-(II), D-(IV)
- (4) A-(I), B-(II), C-(III), D-(IV)

Answer (1)

Sol. From the lists it is clear that we are looking at a special kind of interrogative sentences which is called a question tag. In a question tag we state something and then after a comma we ask for confirmation of what we just said. The part after the comma generally starts with an auxiliary verb and carries negative if the part before the comma is positive and vice versa. The form of the auxiliary verb is governed by the subject and clause coming before the comma. When the part before the comma is an imperative, the part after the comma starts with a modal verb because imperatives talk about order/request/advice/suggestion, hence, the confirmation is always a matter of uncertainty or modality

43. Match the expressions in List-I with their meanings in List-II.

List-I	List-II
A. heads will roll	(I) expect to be rewarded
B. took to their heels	(II) dismissals expected
C. bear in mind	(III) ran away
D. brownie points	(IV) remember

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below:

- (1) A-(II), B-(III), C-(IV), D-(I)
- (2) A-(II), B-(I), C-(III), D-(IV)
- (3) A-(I), B-(IV), C-(III), D-(II)
- (4) A-(III), B-(I), C-(IV), D-(II)

Answer (1)

Sol. The words in the list I are idiomatic expressions.

44. Pick out the incorrect Exclamatory sentence for the given Assertion :

"It is strange that we should meet here"

- (1) To think of our meeting here!
- (2) Strange that we meet here!
- (3) Oh! Strange that we met here!
- (4) How strange that we meet here!

Answer (1)

Sol. Option 1 is an incomplete sentence.

45. Rearrange the following jumbled words to form a meaningful sentence by choosing the correct option:

people/ is/ sacred/ some/ considered/ by/ an/ elephant/ a/ with/ tusk :

- (1) By some people an elephant is considered sacred with a tusk
- (2) An elephant is considered by some people with a tusk sacred
- (3) Some people considered an elephant with a tusk sacred
- (4) An elephant with a tusk is considered sacred by some people

Answer (4)

46. Rearrange the following parts of the sentence: Labelled as PQRS to make a meaningful sentence.

- (P) and picturesque building
- (Q) the quiet and seeming
- (R) made him pause to appreciate it
- (S) emptiness of the old

Choose the **correct** option.

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

Answer (2)

Sol. Step 1: Let's read all the fragments and remember the cohesion markers.

Step 2: Let's eliminate the wrong options.

Fragments Q and S are capable to start a sentence. Option 1 is eliminated. 3 is wrong as P and Q cannot be connected. 4 is wrong as S and R cannot be connected. Hence, the answer is 2.

The quiet and seeming emptiness of the old and picturesque building made him pause to appreciate it.

47. Choose the correct Antonym of the underlined word:

Due to the hijack, the staff was in a state of calm.

- (1) restraint
- (2) panic
- (3) dismay
- (4) dread

Answer (2)

Sol. Calm: not showing or feeling nervousness, anger, or other strong emotions

Panic: sudden uncontrollable fear or anxiety, often causing wildly unthinking behaviour

48. Change the following sentence into the Indirect Speech by choosing the correct option.

"Don't put sharp things in your purse." said his brother.

- (1) His brother told him not to put sharp things in his purse.
- (2) His brother requested her not to put sharp things in the purse.
- (3) His brother did not ask him to put sharp things in his purse.
- (4) His brother refused to keep sharp things in his purse.

Answer (1)

Sol. 3 and 4 are wrong as they change the fact altogether. 2 is wrong as in the direct speech there is no indication that the speaker made a request.

49. Select the option that best expresses the meaning of the idiom. "Take something with a pinch of salt"

- (1) to exaggerate
- (2) to insult the other person
- (3) to accept with some doubt
- (4) to give small contribution

Answer (3)

Sol. Example sentence: You have to take everything she says with a pinch of salt, because she tends to exaggerate.

50. Identify the sentences showing the correct use of Preposition:

- (A) Suresh went there with my bike.
- (B) She was ruled out of the match due to a foot injury.
- (C) We travelled into my friend's car.
- (D) The country he grew up in, didn't make it easy for its people to live in luxury.

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below:

- (1) (A) & (B) Only (2) (B) & (D) Only
- (3) (A) & (D) Only (4) (A) & (C) Only

Answer (Erroneous Questions)

Sol. Only C is wrong as there should be "by" instead of "into".

Option 4 has C but it has A too. But A can make perfect sense in a situation if Suresh travels by a truck which is carrying a bike too to the repair shop.