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English

Direction 1 - 5 : In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number.

Sugarcane is a _____ (1) _____ plant that looks something like bamboo. Sugarcane is grown in tropical climates in states like Louisiana, Texas, Florida and Hawaii. Sugar is _____ (2) _____ in the leaves of the sugarcane plant _____ (3) _____ photosynthesis and stored as a sweet juice in sugarcane stalks. Sugarcane is cut down and harvested then sent to a factory. At the factory, cane juice is _____ (4) _____, purified, filtered and crystallized into golden, raw sugar. This raw sugar is _____ (5) _____ taking to a refinery to be made into the table sugar we know and love.

Q:1 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank number (1).

1. barren
2. desert
3. tropical
4. warm

Q:2 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank number (2).

1. made
2. created
3. constructed
4. fabricated

Q:3 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank number (3).

1. by
2. through
3. with
4. along

Q:4 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank number (4).

1. freed
2. withdrawn
3. uprooted
4. extracted

Q:5 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank number (5).

1. then

2. than
3. after
4. before

Direction 6 - 10 : In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number.

Plants are a large and _____ (1) _____ group of organisms. There are close to 300,000 species of cataloged plants. Of these, about 260,000 are plants that _____ (2) _____ seeds. Mosses, ferns, conifers, and flowering plants are all _____ (3) _____ of the plant kingdom. The plant kingdom contains _____ (4) _____ photosynthetic organisms; a few parasitic forms have lost the _____ (5) _____ to photosynthesize.

Q:6 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank number (1).

1. mixed
2. jumbled
3. agreed
4. varied

Q:7 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank number (2).

1. evolve
2. incarnate
3. manufacture
4. produce

Q:8 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank number (3).

1. organ
2. section
3. member
4. division

Q:9 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank number (4).

1. mostly
2. few
3. little
4. many

Q:10 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank number (5).

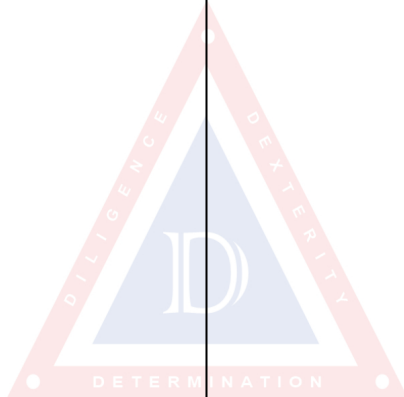


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1. measure
2. ability
3. facility
4. means



Answer Key

1. (3)	2. (1)	3. (2)	4. (4)	5. (1)
6. (4)	7. (4)	8. (3)	9. (1)	10. (2)

Answers and Solutions

Q:1 The correct answer is **Option 3 i.e. tropical.**

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given options:-

tropical- of, relating to, occurring in, or suitable for use in the tropics.

barren- (used about land or soil) not good enough for plants to grow on.

desert- a large area of land, usually covered with sand, that is hot and has very little water and very few plants.

warm- having a pleasant temperature that is fairly high, between cool and hot.

The word '**Tropical**' has already been used in the paragraph ahead of the blank. **Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

Q:2 The correct answer is **Option 1 i.e. made.**

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given options:-

made- to produce or create something.

created- to cause something new to happen or exist.

constructed- to build or make something.

fabricated- to invent something false in order to deceive people.

As the meaning of the chosen option has the term '**Produce**' in it. So, it will suit the given blank.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Q:3 The correct answer is **Option 2 i.e. through.**

Through- because of; with the help of.

As '**synthesis**' helps in the production of sugar we need to use '**through**' for the correct meaning.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

Q:4 The correct answer is **Option 4 i.e. extracted.**

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given options:-

extracted- to remove or take out something.

freed- to let somebody/something leave or escape from a place where he/she/it is held.

withdrawn- (used about a person) very quiet and not wanting to talk to other people.

uprooted- to pull up a plant by the roots.

As the sugar is being taken out from sugarcane the chosen option '**Extracted**' will suit the given option.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

Q:5 The correct answer is **Option 1 i.e. then.**

Then- next; after that.

The statement is referring to the next process hence, '**Then**' will be the correct choice.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

Q:6 The correct answer is **Option 4 i.e. varied.**

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given options:-

varied- having many different kinds of things or activities.

mixed- being both good and bad.

jumbled- to mix things together in a confused and untidy way.

agreed- to have the same opinion as somebody/something.

The paragraph is talking about the different kinds of plants hence, the chosen option '**varied**' will be the correct choice.

Q:7 The correct answer is **Option 4 i.e. produce.**

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given options:-

produce- to grow or make something by a natural process.

evolve- to develop or to make something develop gradually, from a simple to a more advanced form.

incarnate- (especially of a deity or spirit) embodied in human form.

manufacture- to make something in large quantities using machines.

The meaning of the chosen option is '**Grow**' that suits a plant hence, it will be correct for the given blank.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

Q:8 The correct answer is **Option 3 i.e. member.**

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given options:-



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member- a person, an animal or a thing that belongs to a group, club, organization, etc.

organ- one of the parts inside your body that have a particular function.

section- one of the parts into which something is divided.

division- the separation of something into different parts; the sharing of something between different people, groups, places, etc.

Mosses, ferns, conifers are the individuals of the plant kingdom hence, '**Member**' will be the correct choice.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

Q:9 The correct answer is **Option 1 i.e. mostly**.

'**Mostly**' will be the correct choice here as there is a use of '**A few**' in the statement.

'**A few**' shows that most of the plants are photosynthetic.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

Q:10 The correct answer is **Option 2 i.e. ability**.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given options:-

ability- the mental or physical power or skill that makes it possible to do something.

measure- a way of describing the size, amount, etc. of something.

facility- a service, building, piece of equipment, etc. that makes it possible to do something.

means- a method of doing something.

The statement is expressing that a few plants are not able to **photosynthesize**, which means that they lost the **ability** to do it.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.