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UNIT II: SENTENCE COMPLETION

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Sentence completions test the skill to use the information observed in complex and incomplete sentences in order to correctly complete them. It tests a candidate's vocabulary power and skill to follow the logic of sentences. These sentences are often quite complex. There are possibly **four** types of sentence completions

Restatement

Restatement contains words such as namely, in other words, in fact, that is, etc.

Example: The pickpocket was a trickster, in other words, a _____. Here answer will be knave or scoundrel, which restates "trickster,"

Comparison

Comparison contains the words such as likewise, similarly, and just as, as like as, etc.

Example: Jack was cleared of all charges; similarly, Jill was _____.

Here we have to compare 'cleared of all charges' with the suitable word, and hence vindicated is the answer.

Contrast

Contrast contains the words such as though, although, however, despite, but, yet, on the other hand, but, however, despite, or, on the contrary, etc.

Example: Although the tiger is a solitary beast, its cousin the lion is a _____ wild animal.

Here answer should be in contrast with "solitary". Therefore, gregarious or sociable are possible answers.

CAUSE AND EFFECT

Cause and effect contains words such as this, therefore, consequently, because of, etc. Also contains phrases such as due to, as a result, leads to, etc.

Example: A truck stole her parking spot; consequently, Rocky's _____ look showed her displeasure.

Here answer should be to find the cause for someone to steal.

Therefore answer may be scowling or sullen.

Read the Sentence

Use the sentence clues by reading thoroughly. The question may be difficult due to difficult words and the structure of the sentence. One has to dissect the sentence to figure out what fits best, otherwise one cannot crack the question though knowing the word meanings.

Hints

The hints given may indicate what should go into the blank for the meaningful sentence. Here's a test to locate the right hint. If we change the hint, then the choice in the blank must change. We can check the hint by putting that word or phrase into the blank itself.

Pluses and Minuses

Once we find the word clues, indicate the kind of word we are now looking for with positive meaning or negative meaning. Also, to indicate synonyms or antonyms, we can use these symbols.

Visualize

Before going for the choices, think of the possible words for the blanks.

It will save us from wrong choices. If we know roughly the type of words required, the process of elimination becomes much easier. The word we see doesn't have to be fancy and a general idea is fine.

Elimination

Ruling out the wrong choices is now easy. But remember that words have to fit in the given order for the correct answer. If one word is a perfect choice without making sense, then the answer is incorrect. Don't rule out choices if don't know their meanings. If doubts are there, leave it and return to other choices.

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Why Sentence Completion?

Sentence completion questions under the English language, are an important part of Competitive exams for various categories like Bank PO, MBA, CA, RRB, TOFEL, etc. These questions test the candidate's vocabulary and knowledge of the finer distinctions among words.