

Inaugural drama: On the 47th President of the U.S.

Donald Trump is **living up to** his threats and promises

Republican Donald Trump has been sworn in as the 47th President of the U.S. after his **decisive** victory in the November 2024 election. He **marked** the start of his second innings with a **slew of** executive orders, actions and **directives** that set the **tenor** for his administration's policy agenda over the four years. Significant among these are the nearly 1,600 **pardons** issued to those **prosecuted** for their role in the **riot** at the U.S. Capitol in 2021, the U.S.'s exit from the Paris Climate Agreement and the World Health Organization, the ending of birthright citizenship, protected under the U.S. Constitution's 14th **Amendment**, for children of **undocumented migrants** and those on temporary visas, a **proposed** 100% **tariff** on **BRICS** nations — both of which could impact Indians **considerably** — and 25% tariff on Canada and Mexico from February 1, a declaration of national emergency on the U.S.'s southern border with Mexico, and reversing 78 executive orders and **memoranda** of his **predecessor**, Joe Biden. **Striking optics** of Mr. Trump's **swearing-in** was the positioning of tech bosses Elon Musk, Jeff Bezos, Sundar Pichai, and Mark Zuckerberg, **prompting speculation** on whether the incoming administration would have shades of a **de facto** "**oligarchy**"; and Mr. Musk, who is heading the new government's efforts to reduce waste and **inefficiencies**, giving a crowd what appeared to **resemble** a Nazi salute. **As it stands**, however, some, if not most, of these executive orders will face legal challenges — the attempted reading down of the 14th Amendment has already been challenged in court.

The **note** that the second Trump administration has **struck** in terms of its policy agenda **appears** to be **innately hostile** to the progressive agenda of the Democrats. **To a considerable extent**, that is to be expected, as the two parties **diverge** significantly on matters such as the economy, **immigration** and reproductive rights. Yet, previous Republican governments have **often sought** to build bridges with Democratic colleagues in Congress and at the State level, to find **bipartisan consensus** in key policy areas rather than risk **deadlock** and **internecine** conflicts over policy design and resource **allocation**. **In this instance**, however, the federal government **trifecta** and a **sympathetic** Supreme Court **stacked with conservatives** might mean that the Trump team needs to **rely** even less **on** support from across the **aisle** than it did during the Trump first term. Further, Mr. Trump appears to be **emboldened** by the **breadth** of his election victory to allow **unconventional**, even **bizarre**, policy priorities to enter the **proposed agenda**, including ideas such as the **takeover** of the Panama Canal, the **de-recognition** of transgender rights, **threatening** Denmark with a plan to takeover Greenland, and the **prospect** of travel bans for certain countries. **Perhaps** America is getting what it voted for. **[Practice Exercise]**

- Red/blue coloring of words in the sentence indicates subject verb relationship; where 'red' denotes 'subject' and 'blue' denotes 'verb'.

Vocabulary

1. **Inaugural** (adjective) – initial, first, opening, introductory, maiden उद्घाटन संबंधी
2. **Live up to** (phrase) – fulfill, meet, measure up to, match, satisfy उम्मीदों पर खरा उतरना
3. **Decisive** (adjective) – conclusive, definitive, determining, crucial, pivotal निर्णायक
4. **Mark** (verb) – indicate, denote, signify, symbolize, highlight चिह्नित करना
5. **A slew of** (phrase) – a large number of, numerous, an abundance of, a host of, plenty of बहुत सारी
6. **Directive** (noun) – instruction, order, mandate, command, guideline आदेश / निर्देश
7. **Tenor** (noun) – tone, drift, essence, gist, character सार / रुझान
8. **Pardon** (noun) – forgiveness, clemency, amnesty, reprieve, absolution माफी
9. **Prosecuted** (adjective) – charged, indicted, tried, arraigned, brought to court अभियुक्त
10. **Riot** (noun) – disturbance, unrest, commotion, turmoil, uprising दंगा
11. **Amendment** (noun) – revision, alteration, modification, update, adjustment संशोधन
12. **Undocumented** (adjective) – unrecorded, unregistered, unauthorized, illegal, not certified बिना दस्तावेज़ के
13. **Migrant** (noun) – traveler, immigrant, nomad, wanderer, expatriate प्रवासी
14. **Proposed** (adjective) – suggested, recommended, put forward, planned, advanced प्रस्तावित
15. **Tariff** (noun) – duty, levy, tax, toll, charge सीमा शुल्क
16. **BRICS** (noun) – An acronym for the association of five major emerging economies: Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa पाँच उभरती अर्थव्यवस्थाओं का समूह
17. **Considerably** (adverb) – significantly, substantially, noticeably, markedly, appreciably काफी हद तक
18. **Memoranda** (noun) – notes, memos, communications, records, official messages ज्ञापन
19. **Predecessor** (noun) – forerunner, antecedent, precursor, previous holder, one who came before पूर्ववर्ती
20. **Striking** (adjective) – noticeable, remarkable, impressive, eye-catching, conspicuous आकर्षक

21. **Optics** (noun) – public perception, public image, how things appear, viewpoint, public interpretation जन धारणा
22. **Swearing-in** (noun) – inauguration, oath-taking, investiture, induction, installation शपथ ग्रहण
23. **Prompt** (verb) – cause, provoke, spur, trigger, initiate प्रेरित करना
24. **Speculation** (noun) – conjecture, guesswork, supposition, theory, assumption अटकल
25. **De facto** (adjective) – actual, real, in effect, in practice, existing in fact वास्तविक रूप से
26. **Oligarchy** (noun) – rule by a few, small governing group, elite control, power concentration, dominant minority अल्पतंत्र
27. **Inefficiency** (noun) – ineffectiveness, incompetence, inadequacy, unproductiveness, wastefulness अक्षमता
28. **Resemble** (verb) – look like, be similar to, mirror, echo, be akin to समान दिखना
29. **As it stands** (phrase) – in its present condition. जैसा है
30. **Strike a note** (phrase) – express, convey, set a tone, evoke, signal a feeling भाव प्रकट करना
31. **Innately** (adverb) – inherently, naturally, intrinsically, fundamentally, basically जन्मजात रूप से
32. **Hostile** (adjective) – unfriendly, antagonistic, adversarial, aggressive, inhospitable शत्रुतापूर्ण
33. **To a considerable extent** (phrase) – largely, significantly, substantially, to a large degree, notably काफी हद तक
34. **Diverge** (verb) – separate, deviate, differ, split, move apart अलग होना
35. **Immigration** (noun) – migration, resettlement, relocation, entry, arrival अप्रवासन
36. **Often** (adverb) – frequently, regularly, repeatedly, commonly, many times अक्सर
37. **Seek** (verb) – look for, search for, pursue, strive for, aim to find तलाश करना
38. **Bipartisan** (adjective) – cross-party, two-party, cooperative across parties, supported by both sides, jointly backed द्विदलीय
39. **Consensus** (noun) – agreement, accord, unity, harmony, concurrence सर्वसम्मति
40. **Deadlock** (noun) – stalemate, impasse, standstill, gridlock, halt गतिरोध
41. **Interneccine** (adjective) – mutually destructive, internal conflict, infighting,

- civil strife, harmful to both sides पारस्परिक
विनाशकारी
42. **Allocation** (noun) – distribution, allotment, apportionment, assignment, disbursement
आवंटन
43. **In this instance** (phrase) – in this case, under these circumstances, specifically here, regarding this matter, in this situation इस मामले में
44. **Trifecta** (noun) – triple success, three-fold achievement, trio of wins, triple crown, triple advantage तिहरी सफलता
45. **Sympathetic** (adjective) – compassionate, supportive, understanding, empathetic, caring सहानुभूतिपूर्ण
46. **Stacked** (with) (adjective) – filled, loaded, packed, brimming, replete भरा हुआ
47. **Conservative** (noun) – traditionalist, right-winger, right-leaning individual, conventionalist, reactionary रूढ़िवादी
48. **Rely** (on) (verb) – depend on, count on, trust in, lean on, bank on निर्भर करना
49. **Aisle** (noun) – passage, corridor, walkway, pathway, lane गलियारा
50. **Embolden** (verb) – encourage, strengthen, fortify, empower, boost प्रोत्साहित करना
51. **Breadth** (noun) – width, range, scope, extent, span चौड़ाई / व्यापकता
52. **Unconventional** (adjective) – unusual, nontraditional, atypical, unorthodox, offbeat असामान्य
53. **Bizarre** (adjective) – strange, odd, weird, peculiar, surreal अजीब
54. **Proposed** (adjective) – suggested, recommended, put forward, planned, advanced प्रस्तावित
55. **Agenda** (noun) – plan, schedule, program, list of items, outline कार्यसूची
56. **Takeover** (noun) – acquisition, seizure, buyout, usurpation, appropriation अधिग्रहण
57. **De-recognition** (noun) – withdrawal of recognition, revocation, invalidation, annulment, rescinding official acceptance मान्यता समाप्ति
58. **Threatening** (adjective) – menacing, intimidating, ominous, hostile, alarming धमकी भरा
59. **Prospect** (noun) – possibility, likelihood, potential, chance, outlook संभावना
60. **Perhaps** (adverb) – maybe, possibly, conceivably, perchance, potentially शायद

Summary of the Editorial

1. Donald Trump Sworn In: Donald Trump was inaugurated as the 47th President of the U.S. following his decisive victory in the November 2024 election.
2. Policy Agenda: His administration commenced with a series of executive orders and directives outlining the policy priorities for his second term.
3. Mass Pardons: Trump issued nearly 1,600 pardons to individuals prosecuted for their involvement in the January 6, 2021, Capitol riot.
4. Paris Climate Agreement Exit: The U.S. withdrew from the Paris Climate Agreement, signaling a rollback of environmental commitments.
5. WHO Withdrawal: The U.S. exited the World Health Organization, continuing Trump's critical stance on global health institutions.
6. End of Birthright Citizenship: The administration announced the end of birthright citizenship for children of undocumented migrants and temporary visa holders, targeting the 14th Amendment.
7. Tariffs on BRICS, Canada, and Mexico: Trump proposed a 100% tariff on BRICS nations and a 25% tariff on Canada and Mexico, set to take effect on February 1, 2025.
8. National Emergency on the Southern Border: A national emergency was declared on the U.S.-Mexico border to address immigration issues.
9. Reversing Biden Policies: Trump reversed 78 executive orders and memoranda issued by his predecessor, Joe Biden.
10. Oligarchy Concerns: The presence of tech leaders like Elon Musk, Jeff Bezos, Sundar Pichai, and Mark Zuckerberg at the inauguration raised concerns about a potential "oligarchy" influence in governance.
11. Controversial Optics: Elon Musk's gesture resembling a Nazi salute during the event sparked widespread criticism.
12. Legal Challenges Expected: Many of Trump's orders, including the reinterpretation of the 14th Amendment, face legal challenges.
13. Hostility to Progressive Policies: Trump's agenda is strongly opposed to the progressive policies of Democrats, reflecting deep ideological divisions.
14. Less Need for Bipartisanship: With a Republican-controlled federal government and a conservative Supreme Court, Trump is less reliant on bipartisan support.
15. Unconventional Proposals: Unusual policy ideas, such as taking over the Panama Canal, derecognizing transgender rights, and threatening Greenland acquisition, highlight Trump's bold and contentious agenda.

Practice Exercise: SSC Pattern Based

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- 1. What is the overall tone of the passage?**
 - A. Joyful and celebratory
 - B. Neutral and purely factual
 - C. Critical and apprehensive
 - D. Satirical and mocking
- 2. What is the main theme of the passage?**
 - A. The passage focuses on the personal lives of tech CEOs like Elon Musk and Jeff Bezos.
 - B. The passage discusses impeachment proceedings against Donald Trump.
 - C. The passage outlines the policy agenda and implications of Trump's second presidency.
 - D. The passage details electoral strategies that led to Trump's victory.
- 3. According to the passage, how many pardons has Donald Trump issued to those prosecuted for their role in the 2021 U.S. Capitol riot?**
 - A. Nearly 1600
 - B. Nearly 160
 - C. 800
 - D. 2,000
- 4. Based on the passage, which of the following can be inferred about the Trump administration's approach to bipartisan cooperation during his second term?**
 - A. The administration will rely heavily on support from Democrats.
 - B. The administration is likely to rely less on bipartisanship because it has a "federal government trifecta" and a conservative Supreme Court.
 - C. Mr. Trump has made a public commitment to collaborate closely with Democratic leaders.
 - D. Democrats have shown unwavering support for Mr. Trump's policy agenda.
- 5. In the context of the passage, what is the best antonym for the word "emboldened," as used in the phrase:**

"Mr. Trump appears to be emboldened by the breadth of his election victory"?

 - A. Weakened
 - B. Inspired
 - C. Disheartened
 - D. Strengthened
- 6. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.**

'Rapid' may be replaced by ' _____'

 - A. Gradual
 - B. Legitimate
 - C. Artistic
 - D. Speedy
- 7. Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph.**

- A. He used to commit one theft a year on average. The stolen money lasted for the year.
- B. He chose the house at Shotover Grange to commit his next burglary. He studied the design of the house carefully for a fortnight.
- C. He found that the family had gone to London and the servants to the movie. He broke into the house one afternoon.
- D. He hoped to get fifteen thousand pounds worth of jewels from the safe.
- A. BCDA
- B. DCBA
- C. BDAC
- D. ABCD
8. **Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph.**
- A. Chronic infections such as typhoid, chickenpox and others, for example, are no longer feared.
- B. A factor contributing to the rapid rise of the population in recent years has been the drop in the death rate.
- C. Because of medical breakthroughs, the death rate has decreased.
- D. In 2001, the death rate in India was approximately 8.5 per thousand people
- A. BDCA
- B. DBCA
- C. CDAB
- D. ADBC
9. **Select the word which means the same as the group of words underlined in the given sentence.**
- Manisha is a believer of fate.
- A. Minimalist
- B. Socialist
- C. Fatalist
- D. Catalyst
10. **Select the option that expresses the given sentence in passive voice.**
- Dr. Joyce is studying an experiment in his laboratory.
- A. An experiment is studied by Dr. Joyce in his laboratory.
- B. An experiment was being studied by Dr. Joyce in his laboratory.
- C. An experiment is being studied by Dr. Joyce in his laboratory.
- D. An experiment has been studied by Dr. Joyce in his laboratory.
11. **Parts of the following sentence have been given as options. One of them may contain an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options. If you don't find any error, mark 'No error' as your answer.**
- You can fool some of the people all the time, and all the people some of the time; but you cannot fool all the people all the time.
- A. No error
- B. You can fool some of the people all the time

- C. and all the people some of the time
D. but you cannot fool all the people all the time.
12. Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph.
- A. There are 1.52 billion Aadhaar cards given to the whole population as of February 2019.
B. A financial inclusion programme called the Prime Minister's Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) makes services like banking, remittance, and insurance accessible to every Indian at a reasonable price.
C. Under the acronym JAM-Jan Dhan Yojana for Financial Inclusion, Aadhaar Biometric Identification, and Mobile Telecommunications-India is on the verge of a social revolution.
D. Beneficiaries may open an account with no balance
- A. ABCD
B. BCDA
C. CABD
D. DCBA
13. Select the most appropriate **synonym** of the given word.
Diligent
- A. Spiteful
B. Awful
C. Faithful
D. Careful
14. Select the most appropriate **ANTONYM** of the underlined word.
They live in the apartment above ours.
- A. Over
B. After
C. Upward
D. Below
15. Select the most appropriate option that can substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.
Many noticeable people were present at the function.
- A. No substitution
B. noteworthy
C. celebrity
D. Notable
16. In the following sentence, four words are underlined, out of which one word is incorrectly spelt. Identify the **INCORRECTLY** spelt word.
The sovenir shops within the amusement parks do sell well because the visitors are mostly children and the shops keep a good stock of objects that children find fascinating.
- A. fascinating
B. visitors
C. amusement

- D. souvenir
17. **Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.**
Stir up a hornets' nest
- A. Provoke trouble
 - B. Resist a fight
 - C. Create doubts
 - D. Scare the birds
18. Select the most appropriate **ANTONYM** of the underlined word in the given sentence.
Aditi is meticulous by nature.
- A. accurate
 - B. precise
 - C. careless
 - D. Concise
19. **Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph.**
- A. Swarms have wreaked havoc on crops and caused famines and mass migrations.
 - B. Since prehistoric times, locusts have caused plagues.
 - C. Traditional methods of control rely on the use of pesticides from the ground or the air, although biological control approaches are also making great strides.
 - D. Changes in agricultural practices and improved observation of areas where swarms tend to form have lately allowed control measures to be implemented at an earlier stage.
- A. DCBA
 - B. BADC
 - C. BDAC
 - D. ABDC
20. **Select the INCORRECTLY spelt word**
- A. Erase
 - B. Dredge
 - C. Sieze
 - D. North

Comprehension:

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

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.

21. **Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.1.**
- A. attribute

- B. attain
 - C. impart
 - D. Affirm
22. **Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.2.**
- A. among
 - B. within
 - C. between
 - D. Across
23. **Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.3.**
- A. included
 - B. made
 - C. ordered
 - D. Trained
24. **Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.4.**
- A. enact
 - B. able
 - C. enable
 - D. Regard
25. **Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.5.**
- A. present
 - B. enhance
 - C. engage
 - D. train

Answers

1. C 2. C 3. A 4. B 5. C 6. D 7. D 8. A 9. C 10. C 11.A
12. C 13.D 14.D 15.D 16.D 17.A 18.C 19.B 20.C 21.C 22.D
23. D 24.C 25. B

[Practice Exercise]

Explanations

1. **C) Critical and apprehensive**

The passage scrutinizes and questions the new administration's sweeping policy changes, expressing concern about their legal and social ramifications. This indicates a critical stance, combined with an air of apprehension over how these policies might unfold.

A: The passage does not express any celebration or positive enthusiasm; instead, it raises concerns about the policies.

B: Although it states facts, the language and content suggest caution and criticism, indicating it is not purely neutral.

D: There is no clear use of humor or satire to mock the situation; the passage maintains a serious, concerned tone.

2. **C) The passage outlines the policy agenda and implications of Trump's second presidency.**

The core discussion centers on the sweeping executive orders, policy shifts, potential legal challenges, and how these reflect the broader direction of the new Trump administration.

A: While it mentions tech leaders, it does not dwell on their personal lives; their mention is incidental and related to the administration's optics.

B: The passage does not reference any impeachment process; it focuses on his policy actions after being sworn in.

D: The passage briefly notes his victory but does not analyze the campaign's strategies or how he won; it is more about his governing agenda after the win.

3. **A) Nearly 1,600**

The passage explicitly states that "Significant among these are the nearly 1,600 pardons issued to those prosecuted for their role in the riot at the U.S. Capitol in 2021."

B (160): This drastically underestimates the number of pardons mentioned in the passage.

C (800): This figure is not supported by the passage and is roughly half of the actual number stated.

D (2,000): This number exceeds the figure mentioned, which is specifically "nearly 1,600."

4. **B) The administration is likely to rely less on bipartisanship because it has a "federal government trifecta" and a conservative Supreme Court.**

The passage highlights that Republicans control the Presidency, Congress, and have a sympathetic, conservative-leaning Supreme Court. This scenario reduces the administration's need to seek bipartisan support. Additionally, the passage notes that previous Republican governments attempted more bipartisan bridge-building, but this administration appears less inclined to do so.

A: The passage indicates the administration's agenda is "innately hostile" to the Democrats' progressive priorities, making reliance on Democratic support unlikely.

C: No such public commitment is mentioned in the passage; instead, the passage implies an even greater partisan divide.

D: The passage emphasizes policy divergence, suggesting Democrats are not in agreement with Mr. Trump's agenda and that legal challenges are already underway.

5. C) **Disheartened**

The word "emboldened" means to be made confident or courageous. Its antonym is "disheartened," which means to lose confidence or courage, making it the correct answer.

6. D) **'Speedy'** का use होगा क्योंकि यह 'Rapid' का synonym है। 'Rapid' और 'Speedy' दोनों ही तेजी को दर्शाने वाले शब्द हैं। बाकी options में से किसी का भी 'Rapid' के साथ synonymous नहीं है। इसलिए, "Speedy" सबसे उपयुक्त विकल्प होगा

- **'Speedy'** should be used because it is synonymous with 'Rapid'. Both 'Rapid' and 'Speedy' indicate quickness. None of the other options have a synonymous relationship with 'Rapid'. Thus, "Speedy" would be the most appropriate choice.

7. D) **ABCD**

A: This sentence introduces the burglar's pattern of committing one theft annually, providing context for his actions.

B: Following his established pattern, this sentence details his selection of the next target and his meticulous planning.

C: This sentence describes the opportunity he seized to execute his plan, aligning with his prior preparations.

D: Finally, this sentence reveals his specific objective during the burglary, culminating the narrative.

8. A) **BDCA**

B: This sentence introduces the main idea that a declining death rate has contributed to population growth.

D: This sentence provides a specific statistic supporting the decline in the death rate.

C: This sentence explains the reason behind the declining death rate.

A: This sentence illustrates the impact of medical advancements on reducing the prevalence of certain diseases.

9. C) **Fatalist** (noun) – a believer of fate **दैववादी**

- **Minimalist** (noun) – A person who holds or follows a philosophy that values simplicity and rejects unnecessary possessions. **अल्पवादी**
- **Socialist** (noun) – A person who advocates for the means of production, distribution, and exchange should be owned or regulated by the community as a whole. **समाजवादी**

- **Catalyst** (noun) – A substance that increases the rate of a chemical reaction without itself undergoing any permanent chemical change. उत्प्रेरक
10. C) An experiment is being studied by Dr. Joyce in his laboratory.
11. A) No error
12. C) **CABD**
 C: This sentence introduces the JAM trinity, highlighting India's initiative to integrate financial inclusion, biometric identification, and mobile telecommunications.
 A: This sentence provides a specific statistic about the widespread issuance of Aadhaar cards, supporting the Aadhaar component of the JAM trinity.
 B: This sentence explains the Jan Dhan Yojana, detailing its role in promoting financial inclusion, which is a key aspect of the JAM trinity.
 D: This sentence adds a specific feature of the PMJDY, emphasizing the ease of access for beneficiaries.
13. D) **Diligent** (adjective) – Careful, attentive, सावधान
Synonym: **Careful** (adjective) – Cautious, prudent, meticulous, thorough. सतर्क
- **Spiteful** (adjective) – Malicious, malevolent, hostile, nasty. द्वेषपूर्ण
 - **Awful** (adjective) – Very bad, terrible, dreadful, unpleasant. भयानक
 - **Faithful** (adjective) – Loyal, devoted, true, steadfast. विश्वासयोग्य
14. D) **Above** (preposition) – In extended space over and not touching. ऊपर
 Antonym: **Below** (preposition) – At a lower level or layer than. नीचे
- **Over** (preposition) – Extending directly upward from; above. ऊपर
 - **After** (preposition) – In the time following (an event or another period of time). बाद में
 - **Upward** (adverb) – Towards a higher place or position. ऊपर की ओर
15. D) '**noticeable**' के बदले '**Notable**' का प्रयोग होगा क्योंकि यहाँ पर लोगों की पहचान या महत्व को दर्शाने के लिए '**Notable**' शब्द सही है।
- **Notable** will be used instead of 'noticeable' because here the word is used to denote the recognition or importance of people.
16. D) The word 'sovenir' is incorrectly spelled. The correct spelling is 'souvenir'.
 The word 'souvenir' will be used instead of 'sovenir'. The correct spelling is 'souvenir'.
 निशानी
17. A) **Stir up a hornets' nest** (idiom) – Provoke trouble परेशानी पैदा करना
18. C) **Meticulous** (adjective) – Showing great attention to detail; very careful and precise.
 अतिसावधान

Antonym: Careless (adjective) – Not giving sufficient attention or thought to details; negligent.
लापरवाह

- **Accurate** (adjective) – Correct in all details; exact. सटीक
- **Precise** (adjective) – Marked by exactness and accuracy of expression or detail. सटीक
- **Concise** (adjective) – Giving a lot of information clearly and in a few words; brief but comprehensive. संक्षिप्त

19. B) **BADC**

B: This sentence introduces the historical context of locusts causing plagues, setting the stage for the discussion.

A: This sentence elaborates on the impact of locust plagues, highlighting the destruction they cause to agriculture and human societies.

D: This sentence discusses recent advancements in monitoring and agricultural practices that enable early implementation of control measures against locust swarms

C: This sentence describes traditional and emerging methods of controlling locust populations, emphasizing the role of pesticides and the progress in biological control approaches.

20. C) The incorrectly spelt word is 'Sieze'. The correct spelling is 'Seize' which means "to take hold of suddenly and forcibly" अचानक पकड़ लेना.

21. C) '**Impart**' का प्रयोग होगा क्योंकि "impart" का अर्थ होता है जानकारी या शिक्षा देना। जबकि

'Attribute' का अर्थ है किसी गुण या विशेषता को किसी के साथ जोड़ना, 'Attain' का अर्थ है प्राप्त करना, और 'Affirm' का अर्थ है पुष्टि करना, जो इस संदर्भ में सही नहीं है।

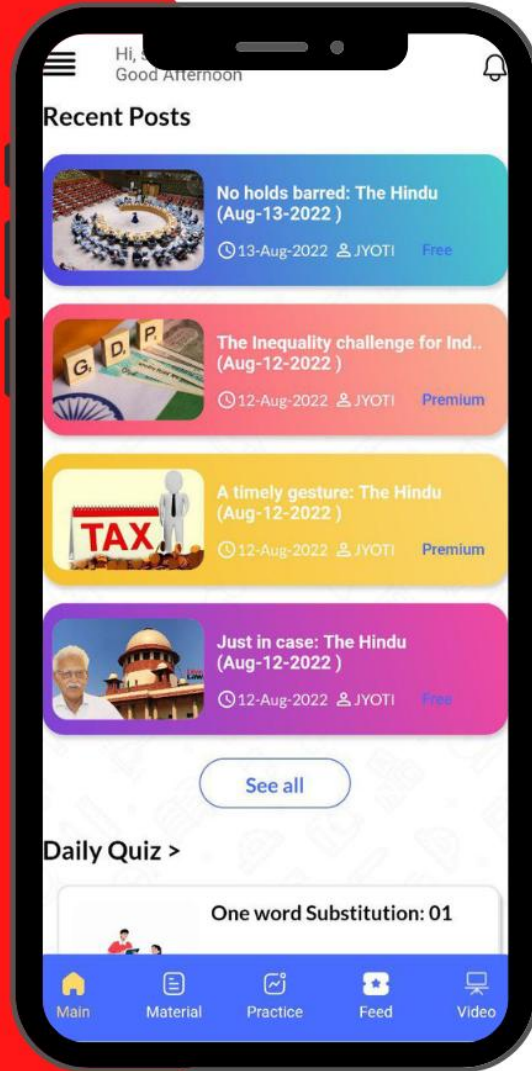
- '**Impart**' should be used because it means to give information or education. Whereas, 'Attribute' means to associate a quality or feature with someone, 'Attain' means to achieve, and 'Affirm' means to confirm, which don't fit in this context.

22. D) '**Across**' का प्रयोग होगा क्योंकि "across" का अर्थ होता है पूरे विस्तार में या किसी विशिष्ट क्षेत्र के सभी हिस्सों में। जबकि 'Among' का अर्थ है किसी समूह में, 'Within' का अर्थ है किसी सीमा या सीमा के अंदर, और 'Between' का अर्थ है दो या दो से अधिक वस्तुओं, स्थलों या व्यक्तियों के बीच, जो इस संदर्भ में सही नहीं है।

- '**Across**' should be used because it means throughout or in every part of a particular area or place. Whereas, 'Among' means within a group, 'Within' means inside a particular limit or boundary, and 'Between' means in the interval or space separating two or more items, places, or people, which don't fit in this context.

23. D) '**Trained**' का प्रयोग होगा क्योंकि "trained" का अर्थ होता है प्रशिक्षित करना। जबकि 'Included' का अर्थ है शामिल करना, 'Made' का अर्थ है बनाना, और 'Ordered' का अर्थ है आदेश देना, जो इस संदर्भ में सही नहीं है।

- **Trained**' should be used because it means to instruct or teach a particular skill or type of behavior. Whereas, 'Included' means to incorporate, 'Made' means to create, and 'Ordered' means to give a command or direction, which don't fit in this context.
24. C) **'Enable'** का प्रयोग होगा क्योंकि "enable" का अर्थ होता है किसी को कुछ करने की क्षमता प्रदान करना। जबकि 'Enact' का अर्थ है कानून बनाना, 'Able' का अर्थ है समर्थ होना, और 'Regard' का अर्थ है ध्यान या सम्मान, जो इस संदर्भ में सही नहीं है।
- **'Enable'** should be used because it means to give someone the authority or means to do something. Whereas, 'Enact' means to make into law, 'Able' means having the power to do something, and 'Regard' implies attention or esteem, which don't fit in this context.
25. B) **'Enhance'** का प्रयोग होगा क्योंकि "enhance" का अर्थ होता है महत्व बढ़ाना या सुधारना। जबकि 'Present' का अर्थ है प्रस्तुत करना, 'Engage' का अर्थ है संलग्न होना या जुड़ना, और 'Train' का अर्थ है प्रशिक्षण देना, जो इस संदर्भ में सही नहीं है।
- 'Enhance'** should be used because it means to improve or augment. Whereas, 'Present' means to show or introduce, 'Engage' means to involve or get occupied, and 'Train' implies giving training, which don't fit in this context.



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