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Directions:

In each question below is given a statement followed by two conclusions numbered I and II. You have to assume everything in the statement to be true, then consider the two conclusions together and decide which of them logically follows beyond a reasonable doubt from the information given in the statement.

Give your answer:

- a. If only conclusion I follows;
- b. If only conclusion II follows;
- c. If either I or II follows;
- d. If neither I nor II follows; and
- e. If both I and II follow.

Q1.

Statement:

This book 'Z' is the only book that focuses its attention on the problem of poverty in India between 1950 and 1980.

Conclusions:

- I. There was no question of poverty before 1950.
- II. No other book deals with Poverty in India from 1950 to 1980.

- a) If only conclusion I follows;
- b) If only conclusion II follows;
- c) If either I or II follows;
- d) If neither I nor II follows;
- e) If both I and II follow.

Q2.

Statement:

Only good singers are invited to the conference. No one without a sweet voice is a good singer.

Conclusions:

- I. All invited singers at the conference have a sweet voice.
- II. Those singers who do not have a sweet voice are not invited to the conference.

- a) If only conclusion I follows;
 - b) If only conclusion II follows;
 - c) If either I or II follows;
 - d) If neither I nor II follows;
 - e) If both I and II follow.
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Q3.

Statement:

No country is absolutely self - dependent these days.

Conclusions:

- I. It is impossible to grow and produce all that a country needs.
- II. Countrymen in general have become lazy.

- a) If only conclusion I follows;
 - b) If only conclusion II follows;
 - c) If either I or II follows;
 - d) If neither I nor II follows;
 - e) If both I and II follow.
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Q4.

Statement:

Until our country achieves economic equality, political freedom and democracy would be meaningless.

Conclusions:

- I. Political freedom and democracy go hand in hand.
- II. Economic equality leads to real political freedom and democracy.

- a) If only conclusion I follows;
- b) If only conclusion II follows;
- c) If either I or II follows;

- d) If neither I nor II follows;
e) If both I and II follow.

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Q5.

Statement:

For over three decades company X has been totally involved in energy conservation, its efficient use, and management.

Conclusions:

- I. The company has yet to learn and acquire basic things in this area.
II. It is the dedication that is more important than knowledge and expertise.

- a) If only conclusion I follows;
b) If only conclusion II follows;
c) If either I or II follows;
d) If neither I nor II follows;
e) If both I and II follow.

Q6.

Statement:

Although we have rating agencies like crisil, ICRA, there is a demand to have a separate rating agency for IT companies to protect investors.

Conclusions:

- I. Assessment of financial worth of IT companies calls for a separate set of skills, insight, and competencies.
II. Now, the investors investing in IT companies will get the protection of their investment.

- a) If only conclusion I follows;
b) If only conclusion II follows;
c) If either I or II follows;
d) If neither I nor II follows;
e) If both I and II follow.

Q7.

Statement:

The commissioner of police has appealed to people not to put up banners that obstruct pedestrian or motor traffic.

Conclusions:

I. Some of the people may respond and will not put up such banners.

II. Policemen will have to keep a watchful eye on the new banners which are being put up on the roads.

- a) If only conclusion I follows;
 - b) If only conclusion II follows;
 - c) If either I or II follows;
 - d) If neither I nor II follows;
 - e) If both I and II follow.
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Q8.

Statement:

A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush.

Conclusions:

I. We should be content with what we have.

II. We should not crave for what is not.

- a) If only conclusion I follows;
 - b) If only conclusion II follows;
 - c) If either I or II follows;
 - d) If neither I nor II follows;
 - e) If both I and II follow.
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Q9.

Statement:

The 'official secrets Act' (OSA) enacted by the ABC government during the war seems to be one of the major sources of corruption in the country X.

Conclusions:

I. The OSA has to be abolished immediately to put an end to the corruption in the country X.

II. The ABC government had the intention of encouraging corruption in government offices.

- a) If only conclusion I follows;

- b) If only conclusion II follows;
 - c) If either I or II follows;
 - d) If neither I nor II follows;
 - e) If both I and II follow.
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Q10.

Statement:

The wind is an inexhaustible source of energy and an aero generator can convert it into electricity. Though not much has been done in this field, the survey shows that there is vast potential for developing wind as an alternative source of energy.

Conclusions:

- I. Energy by wind is a comparatively newly emerging field.
- II. The energy crisis can be dealt with by exploring more in the field of aero - generation

- a) If only conclusion I follows;
 - b) If only conclusion II follows;
 - c) If either I or II follows;
 - d) If neither I nor II follows;
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Q11.

Statement:

Prostitution is also one of the main reasons for AIDS.

Conclusions:

- I. AIDS is an incurable disease.
- II. AIDS cannot be completely controlled by banning prostitution only.

- a) If only conclusion I follows
 - b) If only conclusion II follows
 - c) If either I or II follows
 - d) If neither I nor II follows
 - e) If both I and II follow.
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Q12.

Statement:

Shyam is not the father of Hari. Hari is the son of Suresh has three sons.

Conclusions:

- I. Hari is the brother of Shyam.
- II. Suresh is the father of Hari.

- a) If only conclusion I follows
- b) If only conclusion II follows
- c) If either I or II follows
- d) If neither I nor II follows
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Q13.

Statement:

In deserts, camels are indispensable for people to travel from one place to another.

Conclusions:

- I. Camels are the only cheapest mode of transport available in deserts.
- II. There are plenty of camels in the deserts.

- a) If only conclusion I follows

- b) If only conclusion II follows
 - c) If either I or II follows
 - d) If neither I nor II follows
 - e) If both I and II follow.
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Q14.

Statement:

Crime is a function of the criminal's biological makeup and his family relations.

Conclusions:

I. The incidence of crime is higher in identical twins than in fraternal twins.

II. Families in which parents lack in warmth and affection fail to build a moral conscience in the children.

- a) If only conclusion I follows
 - b) If only conclusion II follows
 - c) If either I or II follows
 - d) If neither I nor II follows
 - e) If both I and II follow.
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Q15.

Statement:

Fashion is a form of ugliness, so is tolerable that we have to alter it every six months.

Conclusions:

I. Fashion designers do not understand people's minds very well.

II. People by and large are highly susceptible to novelty.

- a) If only conclusion I follows
 - b) If only conclusion II follows
 - c) If either I or II follows
 - d) If neither I nor II follows
 - e) If both I and II follow.
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Answers to the above questions :

Q1. Answer: (b)

The phrase 'only book' in the statement makes II implicit.

However, nothing about the state of poverty before 1950 can be deduced from the statement. So, Conclusion I do not follow.

Q2. Answer: (e)

The statement asserts that a good singer always has a sweet voice and only good singers are invited to the conference.

This implies that all those invited to the conference have a sweet voice and those who do not have a sweet voice are not invited. So, both I and II follow.

Q3. Answer: (a)

Clearly, only I provide a suitable explanation for the given statement.

So, only I follow the conditions.

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Q4. Answer: (b)

Nothing about the relation between political freedom and democracy is mentioned in the statement.

So, I do not follow. But II directly follows from the given statement.

Q5. Answer: (d)

Since the company has been working in this area for three decades, it must have the necessary expertise and infrastructure required in this field. So, I does not follow.

However, the qualities that have made the company X successful in this field have not been mentioned. So, II also does not follow.

Q6. Answer: (a)

The need for a separate rating agency for IT companies clearly indicates that such an assessment requires a separate set of skills. So, I follows.

However, the statement indicates only the need or demand and neither the future course of action nor its after-effects can be judged. So, II does not follow.

Q7. Answer: (a)

Clearly, the appeal has been made keeping in mind the fact that it would create awareness and have some effect. So, I follows.

However, the statement talks of a general appeal and not stringent directions. So, II does not follow.

Q8. Answer: (e)

Clearly, I follows from the fact that writing makes an exact man.

Conclusions II also directly follows from the statement.

Q9. Answer: (a)

The statement declares enactment of OSA as the direct cause of an increase in corruption.
So, I follows.

However, the enactment of an act by a government is undertaken for the betterment and not with the intention of encouraging corruption through whatever may be the outcome later on.
So, II does not follow.

Q10. Answer: (e)

The phrase 'not much has been done in this field' indicates that wind energy is a comparatively newly emerging field. So, I follows.

The expression 'there is vast potential for developing wind as an alternative source of energy' proves II to be true.

Q11. Answer: (b)

Prostitution is not the only reason for AIDS. It is one of main reasons of this disease. Hence, banning only prostitution cannot work 100% to control this disease. It means other factors must be considered also.

Therefore, II is a valid conclusion. Conclusion I is invalid as it has not been discussed in the statement that AIDS is curable or not.

Q12. Answer: (b)

Conclusion I is invalid conclusion as the relation between Hari and Shyam is not given.

Conclusion II is valid because if Hari is the son of Suresh, then Suresh will definitely be the father of Hari.

Q13. Answer: (d)

None follows as the given statement merely says that camels are very useful for deserts. It does not state whether they are cheap or available in large numbers.

Q14. Answer: (d)

Both I and II are invalid as the statement itself is vague and ambiguous which is unable to make proper connectivity with the given conclusions.

Q15. Answer: (d)

Both I and II are invalid because they lack proper connectivity with the given statement.

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