

# PASSAGE & CONCLUSION BASED VERBAL REASONING PRACTICE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PDF WITH EXPLANATION

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## Passage 1

The first time I saw The Wizard of Oz, the story bewitched me. The second time I saw the Wizard of Oz, the special effects amazed me. The third time I saw The Wizard of Oz, the photography dazzled me. Have you ever seen a movie twice, three times? You notice subtleties and hear sounds you completely missed the first time around.

It's the same on the phone. Because your business conversations are more consequential than movies, you should listen to them two, may be three times, often we have no clear idea of what really happened in our phone conversation until we hear it again. You'll find shadings more significant than the colour of toto's collar and more scare crows than you imagined who 'haven't got a brain!'

How do you listen to your important business conversation again? Simply legally and ethically tape record them. I call the technique of recording and analysing your business conversations for subtleties.

[P.N.B. (PO) 2010]

**Q1.** The movie 'The Wizard of Oz' will help improve business conversation.

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**Q2.** For most, if they watch a movie more than once, different aspects in a different order, like special effects, photography, story, music etc., would impress in a better way.

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**Q3.** The tips are given for understanding business conversation.

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**Q4.** The advice is being given to the sales team.

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**Q5.** The author watches most movies more than twice.

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**Passage 2**

There is some controversy about the percentage of population below the poverty line in India. The criteria for the poverty line is basis on person's nutritional requirement is terms of calories. It is assumed that the minimum nutritional requirement per person per day in rural

areas is 2400 calories whereas it is 2200 calories in urban areas. If the household is unable to bear the expenditure for this level of nutrition, it is categorised as below the poverty line. There is also a view that alongwith calories, the amount of protein intake be treated as a criterion as it is related to physical energy, mental alertness and resistance to infection.

[S.B.I. (PO) 2010]

**Q6.** Many Indians, who below the poverty line, get necessary amount of proteins.

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**Q7.** People living above the poverty line are less likely to suffer from infections.

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**Q8.** India's poverty alleviation programmes can only succeed after reaching agreement about the poverty line.

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**Q9.** People in urban areas are less physically weak compared to people in rural areas.

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**Q10.** In other countries, there is no controversy about defining the poverty line.

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### Passage 3

Domestic steel industry has been going through challenging times with raw material prices rising unabated and Government trying to cap final product (steel) prices in order to keep inflation under check. Notably, the Government has taken several measures in the past six months to keep a check on steel prices. Which contribute around 3.63% of WPI. Now, after holding prices for three months the battle between the Government and steel players has erupted again.

With the anticipation of players increasing prices very soon, Government is trying to counter this with the imposition of a price band on steel products. Imposition of price band may unfairly treat the domestic steel industry as global steel prices are ruling at 30% premium to domestic prices. Global prices have increased by 50% to 60% in 2008 as compared to just 20% rise in the domestic market.

[Syndicate Bank (PO) 2008]

**Q11.** Some countries in the Western World have fixed a price band for steel products in their domestic markets.

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**Q12.** Government move to fix a price band of steel prices may adversely affect the steel manufacturing units in India.

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**Q13.** Price of steel is an integral part of the Wholesale Price Index (WPI) of India.

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**Q14.** There has been a decline in the rate of inflation in recent months in India.

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**Q15.** In the recent past, the increase in steel prices in the international market is much lower than that in the domestic market.

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### Answers to the above questions :

**Q1. Answer: (e)**

The movie has been used just as an example of how repeated interactions acquaint us with a fuller meaning.

**Q2. Answer: (b)**

Could even have been 'definitely true' except that question number 8 below is a sure shot.

**Q3. Answer: (a)**

Properly follows the statement of facts given.

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**Q4. Answer: (c)**

It could be given to any individual or any business team.



**Q5. Answer: (d)**

Note the line in "Have you ever seen...?"

**Q6. Answer: (c)**

Data given in the passage is inadequate.

**Q7. Answer: (b)**

It is given in the last line of the passage that protein related to resistance to infections.

Since people above the poverty line may get a sufficient amount of protein intake and so are less likely to suffer from infections.

**Q8. Answer: (c)**

Nothing has been discussed in the passage regarding agreement about the poverty line.

**Q9. Answer: (b)**

It is probably true because calorie requirement per person in the urban areas is less than that of the rural areas.

**Q10. Answer: (c)**

Nothing has been given in the passage regarding the poverty line in other countries.

**Q11. Answer: (d)**

Such a scenario is unlikely when "global steel prices are ruling at 30% premium to domestic prices".

**Q12. Answer: (a)**

This move will only worsen the "challenging times".

**Q13. Answer: (a)**

Obvious from the first two sentences.

**Q14. Answer: (d)**

This is unlikely given the Government's dogged efforts to keep steel prices and inflation under control.

**Q15. Answer: (e)**

Read the last sentence.

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