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Word usage for IBPS Clerk Pre and IBPS PO Pre and IBPS CLERK Pre Exams.

Word Usage Quiz 10

Directions: In each of the following questions, a word has been given and used in three statements. You are supposed to identify which of the statement/s use/s the word correctly and mark that as your answer.

1. File

- I. The deposition was taken in a 2018 case, which is still file in a Los Angeles court.
- II. The students file into the classroom.
- III. After a long hearing and in the last verdict, judge ordered, “the file has now been closed”.

A. Only III B. Only I and III C. Only II and III D. Only I and II E. All I, II and III

2. Firm

- I. The firm was ready to help companies “restructure their leases as rents collapse,” it said.
- II. The snow was firm underfoot, Rachael recalled.
- III. The perfectionism of Kaylee’s acting can be seen in the firm – The Robbery.

A. Only I B. Only I and II C. Only II and III D. Only I and III E. All I, II and III

3. Flag

- I. Those false claims led Twitter to flag the president's tweets with a fact-check label for the first time.
- II. One of the worst problems of the new OS is that it flags a lot while doing any scientific calculation.
- III. “I will never agree with anybody disrespecting the flag of the United States of America or our country,” said Brees.

A. Only I B. Only I and III C. Only II and III D. Only I and II E. All I, II and III



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4. Bear

I. He couldn't bear the thought of another year on the sideline.

II. Michael Jordan and Jordan Brand, the sneaker company that bears his name and iconic logo, pledged to contribute \$100 million to organizations fighting racial and social injustice over the next decade.

III. She agreed to bear the responsibility.

A. Only III B. Only I and III C. Only II and III D. Only I and II E. All I, II and III

5. Beef

I. Karan tries hard to beef immediately to Sanjay, but nothing happened.

II. Plants are now mainly back online but at reduced capacity with beef and pork plants running about 10% to 15% below last year, he said.

III. We funneled money away from poverty prevention to beef up our response to one of poverty's biggest consequences: crime.

A. Only III B. Only I and III C. Only II and III D. Only I and II E. All I, II and III

6. Boil

I. Later, during an African American literature class, his emotions threaten to boil over.

II. Cooks boil stuff all the time on the stove.

III. It all boils down to a matter of minutes.

A. Only II B. Only II and III C. Only I and II D. Only I E. All I, II and III

7. Boot

I. A second bronze soldier will be kneeling and embracing a folded American flag before the bronze helmet, rifle and boots that mark the tribute to a fallen soldier.

II. Photos and videos show an officer loading trainer boxes into the boot of a car in Chicago.

III. It is the high time to pull up your boots.

A. Only II B. Only I and III C. Only II and III D. Only I and II E. All I, II and III



8. Box

I. Ronit yelled, "I'll box your ears!"

II. The umpire warned the batter to stay in the batter's box.

III. They say that jailhouse informers fabricated statements from him and that eyewitness accounts of a man who left the child's remains in a box do not match Ograd's appearance.

- A. Only III B. Only I and III C. Only II and III D. Only I and II E. All I, II and III

9. Cast

I. They contend "inactive" voters — those who haven't cast ballots in the last four years — shouldn't receive one by mail.

II. If you were going to cast someone in a movie; that would be a person.

III. George always works for the needy person, irrespective of their cast.

- A. Only II B. Only II and III C. Only I and II D. Only III and I E. All I, II and III

10. Cataract

I. Before the flood, their baby daughter Olivia required eye surgery to remove a cataract.

II. Kevin was trying to cataract the issue permanently.

III. The picturesque view of cataract was breathtaking.

- A. Only III B. Only I and III C. Only II and III D. Only I and II E. All I, II and III



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D	B	B	E	C	E	D	E	C	B



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Explanations:

1. I. The deposition was taken in a 2018 case, which is still file in a Los Angeles court.

The noun 'file' means 'record in a public office or in a court of law'. It has been used correctly in statement I.

II. The students file into the classroom.

The verb 'file' means 'to proceed in line' it has been used correctly in statement II also.

III. After a long hearing and in the last verdict, judge ordered, "the file has now been closed".

The sentence is contextually incorrect as 'case' would be better in comparison to 'file' in this sentence.

Hence, option D is the correct answer.

2. I. The firm was ready to help companies "restructure their leases as rents collapse," it said.

The noun 'firm' means 'the members of a business organization that owns or operates one or more establishments'. It has been used correctly in statement I.

II. The snow was firm underfoot, Rachael recalled.

The adjective 'firm' is 'not soft or yielding to pressure.' Evidently, it has been used correctly in statement II also.

III. The perfectionism of Kaylee's acting can be seen in the firm – The Robbery.

Usage of the word 'firm' in the above sentence doesn't imply a logical meaning. Instead of 'firm', 'film' should have been used here.

Thus, the given word is not used meaningfully in the statement III.

Evidently, option B is the correct answer.

3. **I. Those false claims led Twitter to flag the president's tweets with a fact-check label for the first time.**

The verb 'flag' means 'to mark'. It has been used correctly in statement I.

- II. One of the worst problems of the new OS is that it flags a lot while doing any scientific calculation.**

The verb 'flags' is contextually incorrect here. Instead of 'flags' 'lags' would suit the sentence. It has been wrongly used correctly in statement II.

- III. "I will never agree with anybody disrespecting the flag of the United States of America or our country," said Brees.**

Usage of the word 'flag' as a noun in the above sentence implies a logical meaning. Thus, the given word is used meaningfully in the statement III.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

4. **I. He couldn't bear the thought of another year on the sideline.**

The verb 'bear' is 'to put up with something or somebody unpleasant'. Evidently, it has been used correctly in statement I.

- II. Michael Jordan and Jordan Brand, the sneaker company that bears his name and iconic logo, pledged to contribute \$100 million to organizations fighting racial and social injustice over the next decade.**

The verb 'bear' means 'to have rightfully; of rights, titles, and offices', it has been used correctly in statement II.

- III. She agreed to bear the responsibility.**

The verb 'bear' means 'to take on as one's own the expenses or debts of another person' it has been used correctly in statement III also.

Evidently, option E is the correct answer.

5. I. Karan tries hard to beef immediately to Sanjay, but nothing happened.

Usage of the word 'beef' as a verb in the above sentence doesn't imply a logical meaning. Instead of 'beef', 'beep' which means 'to send a message to someone' should have been used here. Thus, the given word is not used meaningfully in the statement I.

II. Plants are now mainly back online but at reduced capacity with beef and pork plants running about 10% to 15% below last year, he said.

The noun 'beef' means 'meat from an adult domestic bovine'. It has been used correctly in statement II.

III. We funneled money away from poverty prevention to beef up our response to one of poverty's biggest consequences: crime.

The verb 'beef' means 'informal terms for strengthening'. It has been used correctly in statement II.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

6. I. Later, during an African American literature class, his emotions threaten to boil over.

The verb 'boil' is 'to be agitated'. Evidently, it has been used correctly in statement I as it fits the requirement.

II. Cooks boil stuff all the time on the stove.

The verb 'boil' means 'to immerse or be immersed in a boiling liquid, often for cooking purposes'. It has been used correctly in statement II.

III. It all boils down to a matter of minutes.

The verb 'boil' is 'to be agitated'. Evidently, it has been used correctly in statement III also.

Option E is hence the correct answer.

7. **I. A second bronze soldier will be kneeling and embracing a folded American flag before the bronze helmet, rifle and boots that mark the tribute to a fallen soldier.**

The noun 'boots' is 'footwear that covers the whole foot and lower leg'. Evidently, it has been used correctly in statement I.

- II. Photos and videos show an officer loading trainer boxes into the boot of a car in Chicago.**

The noun 'boot' means 'British term for the luggage compartment in a car'. It has been used correctly in statement II also.

- III. It is the high time to pull up your boots.**

Usage of the word 'boot' in the above sentence doesn't imply a logical meaning. Instead of 'boots', 'socks' which completes the phrase 'to pull up your socks' should have been used here. Thus, the given word is not used meaningfully in the statement III.

Option D is hence the correct answer.

8. **I. Ronit yelled, "I'll box your ears!"**

The verb 'box' is 'to hit with the fist'. Evidently, it has been used correctly in statement I.

- II. The umpire warned the batter to stay in the batter's box.**

The noun 'box' means 'any one of several designated areas on a ball field where the batter or catcher or coaches are positioned'. It has been used correctly in statement II also.

- III. They say that jailhouse informers fabricated statements from him and that eyewitness accounts of a man who left the child's remains in a box do not match Ogrod's appearance.**

The noun 'box' means 'a (usually rectangular) container; may have a lid'. It has been used correctly in statement III.

Evidently, E is the correct option.

9. **I. They contend “inactive” voters — those who haven’t cast ballots in the last four years — shouldn’t receive one by mail.**

The verb ‘cast’ is ‘to put or send forth’. Evidently, it has been used correctly in statement I.

- II. If you were going to cast someone in a movie; that would be a person.**

The noun ‘cast’ means ‘the actors in a play’. It has been used correctly in statement II also.

- III. George always works for the needy person, irrespective of their cast.**

Usage of the word ‘cast’ in the above sentence doesn’t imply a logical meaning. Instead of ‘cast’, ‘caste’ should have been used here. Thus, the given word is not used meaningfully in the statement III.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

10. **I. Before the flood, their baby daughter Olivia required eye surgery to remove a cataract.**

The noun ‘cataract’ is ‘an eye disease that involves the clouding of the natural lens of the eye’. Evidently, it has been used correctly in statement I.

- II. Kevin was trying to cataract the issue permanently.**

Though, the sentence seems correct but, ‘permanently’ makes it incorrect for ‘cataract’.

Usage of the word ‘cataract’ in the above sentence doesn’t imply a logical meaning. Instead of ‘cataract’, ‘remove’ which means ‘to abolish or to get rid of’ should have been used here. Thus, the given word is not used meaningfully in the statement II.

- III. The picturesque view of cataract was breathtaking.**

The noun ‘cataract’ means ‘a large waterfall’. It has been used correctly in statement III.

Hence the correct answer is option B.



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