

# NABARD Grade A Shift 1 Previous Year Paper for 2022

NABARD Grade A Phase 1 PYQS



### **2022(Q.21 to Q.50) Morning Shift**

**Q.21) Identify the wrong part in the sentence.**

**(1) Sea Lions are able to / (2) rotate their back flippers under / (3) their body, which allows / (4) them to walk in land**

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 4
- (e) None are incorrect

**Answer – (d)**

**Explanation –**

The very first thing to consider in such type of questions is to strengthen your grammatical concepts. If you are not clear with the basics, handling such questions would be a hard nut to crack for you. I am going to tell you some basic rules which you can remember while answering these questions.

However, you can follow some rules to make the process of identifying the right answers easy.

Firstly, check and identify the part of the speech (whether it is adjective, adverb, noun, pronoun etc.) in the sentence. Second, identify the type of sentence (whether the sentence is an interrogative, affirmative, or a negative one). Third, check punctuation errors (and this is going to be the easiest one). Fourth, identify the subject-verb agreement of the sentence.

If you follow these steps, it will become easier for you to answer these questions. Like in this question, the mistake was of the preposition i.e., 'in land' -> 'on land'.

**Q.22) Identify the wrong part in the sentence.**

**(1) Oil Prices had already begin / (2) climbing this year as a / (3) result of the crisis**

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) None are incorrect
- (d) 3
- (e) 2 and 3

**Answer – (a)**

**Explanation –**

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Same steps as mentioned in the above question's explanation should be followed. In this question, the error is of the verb. The entire sentence is in the past perfect tense; therefore, the past participle form of the verb 'begin' should have been used i.e., 'begun'.

**Q.23) Identify the wrong part in the sentence.**

**(1) There have been a rapid / (2) transformation in the business / (3) scenario in the country after / (4) the introduction of digital banking**

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) None are correct
- (e) 4

**Answer – (a)**

**Explanation –**

If you look carefully, you will find the problem of subject-verb agreement in the sentence. The sentence is talking about the transformation in business, which is a singular noun. Hence, the auxiliary verb 'has' must be used instead of 'have'.

**Q.24) Identify the wrong part in the sentence.**

**(1) An edited version of / (2) the article was published / (3) in the newspaper / (4) to avoid controversy.**

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) None are incorrect
- (d) 3
- (e) 4

**Answer – (c)**

**Explanation –**

To solve the question of error spotting, you should follow a systematic approach. Firstly, check and identify the part of the speech (whether it is adjective, adverb, noun, pronoun etc.) in the sentence. Second, identify the type of sentence (whether the sentence is an interrogative, affirmative, or negative one). Third, check punctuation errors (and this is going to be the easiest one). Fourth, identify the subject-verb agreement of the sentence.

**Q.25) Identify the wrong part in the sentence.**

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**(1) The working environment in an / (2) organization dependent / (3) on the nature of communication strategies / (4) to a great extent**

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 4
- (e) None are incorrect

**Answer – (b)**

**Explanation –**

Instead of 'dependent', 'depends' on should be used.

In this paper, you have seen many questions have been asked from spotting the error topic. So, practice this topic thoroughly. You should strengthen your grammatical concepts. If you are not clear with the basics, handling such questions would be a hard nut to crack for you.

**Q.26) In which of the following sentences is the given phrase aptly used?**

**“UNDER THE WEATHER”**

- I) The child did not speak much as he was feeling under the weather.**
- II) The clouds in the sky were under the weather due to the impending storm.**
- III) Many employees could come to office as they were feeling under the weather.**

- (a) Only I
- (b) Only II and III
- (c) Only III
- (d) None are correct
- (e) Only I

**Answer – (a)**

**Explanation –**

To tackle questions of this nature, focus on enhancing your vocabulary and improving your grammar. Daily practice with new phrases, synonyms, antonyms, and idioms is essential. Lastly, consistent practice is key

**Q.27) In which of the following sentences is the given phrase aptly used?**

**“COME UP WITH”**

- I) Lifeguards are trained in how to react in order to come up with emergency situations.**
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**II) Engineers are trying to come up with sustainable renewable energy solutions.**

**III) The child could not come up with an appropriate answer to teacher's question.**

- (a) Only I
- (b) Only II
- (c) Only II and III
- (d) Only I and II
- (e) All are incorrect

**Answer – (c)**

**Explanation –**

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**Q.28) In which of the following sentences is the given phrase aptly used?**

**“LAY OFF”**

- I) The doctor advised the patient to lay off cigarettes for the rest of her life**
- II) The flight to New York had a lay off in London**
- III) The company was forced to lay off hundreds of workers due to the recession**

- (a) Only I
- (b) Only I and II
- (c) Only III
- (d) Only II and III
- (e) None are correct

**Answer – (c)**

**Explanation –**

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**Q.29) In the below-mentioned question, some words are underlined. Some or all of these words have been wrongly placed in the sentence. Interchange the wrong words in the sentence.**

Every four (A) two, intelligence agencies put out a (B) world assessment of where the (C) detailed seems (D) headed over the next (E) years decades.

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- (a) Only A-E
- (b) A-B and C-D
- (c) A-E and B-C
- (d) Only A-B and C-D
- (e) Only C-D

**Answer – (c)**

**Explanation –**

The correct sentence is: "Every four years, intelligence agencies release a detailed report predicting global trends for the next two decades. It's important to grasp the context of the sentence."

**Q.30) In the below-mentioned question, some words are underlined. Some or all of these words have been wrongly placed in the sentence. Interchange the wrong words in the sentence.**

The (A) from marked the (B) extraction of natural resources (C) feat the environment of (D) direct planet for (E) another use by humans.

- (a) A-C and D-E
- (b) B-C and A-D
- (c) A-E and B-C
- (d) A-B and C-D
- (e) B-D and A-E

**Answer – (a)**

**Explanation –**

"The feat marked the extraction of natural resources from the environment of another planet for direct use by humans." You should try to understand the context of the sentence to answer these questions.

**Q.31) In the below-mentioned question, some words are underlined. Some or all of these words have been wrongly placed in the sentence. Interchange the wrong words in the sentence.**

The report (A) said that the (B) down ministry plans to cut (c) Railways more than it had (D) declared in its clearance (E) application.

- (a) A-B
  - (b) B-E
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(c) B-C

(d) A-E

(e) C-D

**Answer – (c)**

**Explanation –**

The report said that the Railways ministry plans to cut down more than it had declared in its clearance application. You should try to understand the context of the sentence.

**Q.32) In the below-mentioned question, some words are underlined. Some or all of these words have been wrongly placed in the sentence. Interchange the wrong words in the sentence.**

**After meeting with the (A) coach, Riya was (B) encouraged to try (C) out for the (D) team.**

(a) A-B

(b) B-D

(c) No change

(d) A-C

(e) C-D

**Answer – (c)**

**Explanation –**

The sentence has no error. Thus, it is grammatically correct.

**Q.33) In the below-mentioned question, some words are underlined. Some or all of these words have been wrongly placed in the sentence. Interchange the wrong words in the sentence.**

**Scientists have (A) discrepancies (B) found in the (C) amount of carbon (D) emission reported by countries and (E) independent agencies.**

(a) B-C

(b) A-B

(c) C-D

(d) D-E

(e) A-D

**Answer – (b)**

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**Explanation –**

“Scientists have found discrepancies in the amount of carbon emission reported by countries and independent agencies.”

**Q.34) Replace the underlined word from the options given below.**

**Sleeplessness over prolonged periods of time is sure to tell on your health.**

- (a) None
- (b) To influence
- (c) Impacted on
- (d) Take a toll on
- (e) Shakes up

**Answer – (d)**

**Explanation –**

The first essential step in answering this type of question is to strengthen your vocabulary and review your grammar concepts. Learn new phrases, synonyms, antonyms, and idioms daily. Without understanding the exact meanings of phrases, it will be challenging to use them correctly. Aim to learn five new words each day and practice them regularly. Lastly, remember that consistent practice is key. Understanding the correct usage of phrases like "take a toll on" is crucial to solving such questions.

**Q.35) Replace the underlined word from the options given below.**

**It is important to keep in mind that this treaty is the national issue for each of the countries involved.**

- (a) Thinking about
- (b) Be mindful of
- (c) Be careful that
- (d) Take into consideration
- (e) None to be replaced

**Answer – (d)**

**Explanation –**

To solve this type of question, it's essential to understand the usage of phrases like "take into consideration" and the other options provided. Since the choices often appear similar, it's crucial to build a strong vocabulary.

**Q.36) Replace the underlined word with the options given below.**

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**The new tax laws were rammed through despite people opposing it.**

- (a) Smashed into
- (b) Enforced
- (c) None to be replaced
- (d) Knocked against
- (e) Collided against

**Answer – (b)**

**Explanation –**

Rammed through means to force the passage or acceptance of usually over considerable opposition.

**Q.37) Replace the underlined word from the options given below.**

**A clinical trial was performed to show the efficacy and, within limits, assess the effect of the treatment.**

- (a) through and through
- (b) to some extent
- (c) understandably
- (d) None
- (e) be degree

**Answer – (b)**

**Explanation –**

To answer these questions, the key step is to strengthen your vocabulary and review your grammar. Learn new phrases, synonyms, antonyms, and idioms daily, and make sure to grasp the full meaning of sentences. Lastly, remember to keep practicing regularly.

**Q.38) Replace the underlined word with the options given below.**

**The company wanted to break away from its traditional, down-market image.**

- (a) None can replace
- (b) disentangle
- (c) become independent
- (d) separate from
- (e) cut loose

**Answer – (c)**

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### Explanation –

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**Instructions for Q.39 to Q.43** - Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) has revolutionized various industries, including healthcare, education, and the airline industry. The use of AI has enabled these industries to become more efficient, accurate, and personalized.

In the education sector, AI has the potential to transform the way students learn. AI-powered learning systems can adapt to the student's learning pace, interests, and learning style. This helps in creating a personalized learning experience for the students. AI can also execute the process of skill mapping, which identifies the skills of the students and provides recommendations on how to improve them. Furthermore, AI can help in setting question papers according to the curriculum, making the entire process more efficient and accurate.

The airline industry has also benefited from AI. Airlines are using AI to gauge the best time to buy airline tickets, predict flight delays, and monitor baggage handling. AI is also used to monitor weather patterns and air traffic, helping airlines to make informed decisions about flight schedules and routes.

In the healthcare industry, AI has the potential to improve patient outcomes and reduce healthcare costs. AI-powered diagnostic tools can analyze medical images, such as X-rays and MRIs, with greater accuracy and speed than humans. AI can also help in predicting disease outbreaks and identifying high-risk patients. Additionally, AI can analyze electronic health records and provide personalized treatment recommendations.

**Q.39) Identify the correct statement about the use of AI in airlines, as mentioned in the passage.**

- (a) The analysis provided by AI aids in making informed decisions
- (b) New safety measures are formulated using AI, which are then implemented by the crew members
- (c) AI, while determining the flight route, fail to consider weather condition
- (d) AI has been implemented to improve the work ethos of airline staff through various tutorials
- (e) Due to patch network, AI support can't be banked upon

**Answer – (a)**

**Explanation –**

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The passage is an easy one. The third paragraph details about the usage of AI in airline.

**Q.40) Identify the correct statement about the use of AI in education, as mentioned in the passage.**

- (i) It adapts itself according to the student's interest
- (ii) It executes the process of skill mapping
- (iii) It helps in setting question paper according to curriculum

- (a) Only I and II
- (b) Only II
- (c) Only I, II, and III
- (d) Only II and III
- (e) Only III

**Answer – (c)**

**Explanation –**

The second paragraph dwells on the use of AI in education sector.

**Q.41) Which word can replace the “Gauge” in the passage?**

- (a) Assess
- (b) Monitor
- (c) Analyse
- (d) Measure
- (e) Examine

**Answer – (a)**

**Explanation –**

If you understand the context of the passage and especially the paragraph third on use of AI in airlines, then you can guess the meaning of gauge is ‘to assess’.

**Q.42) In what manner is AI helpful in the healthcare industry?**

- (1) AI is helping doctors diagnose diseases more accurately and efficiently
  - (2) AI is providing personalized treatment plans for individual patients
  - (3) AI is assisting in the development of new drugs and medical technologies
  - (4) AI is helping in analyzing the electronic health records
  - (5) AI is helping in ensuring the drug administration to the targeted individuals
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**Options:**

- (a) Only 1 and 2
- (b) Only 1, 3, and 5
- (c) Only 2, 3, and 4
- (d) Only 1, 2, and 4
- (e) Only 1, 2, 3, and 4

**Answer – (d)**

**Explanation –**

The last paragraph of the passage details about the use of AI in healthcare sector.

**Q.43) Which of the following titles is apt for the passage?**

- (a) Penetration of AI
- (b) Using AI to Transform Lives
- (c) Synergy between Human and AI
- (d) Exploring the Applications of AI
- (e) A Case Study on AI

**Answer – (d)**

**Explanation –**

The best title for the passage could be "Exploring AI Applications" as it discusses the use of AI in education, healthcare, and the airline industries.

**Instructions for Q.44 to Q.45 - The sentences given in each of the following questions, when properly sequenced, form a coherent paragraph. Each sentence is indicated with a number. Choose the most logical order of sentences that constructs a coherent paragraph and mark the correct sequence:**

**Q.44)**

- (1) Assam and West Bengal account for two-thirds of elephant mortality in train hits, followed by Uttarakhand, Jharkhand, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, Kerala and Orissa.
  - (2) Aided by extensive research, it identified key factors that raise the risk for the animals.
  - (3) The death of seven elephants in a train hit in West-Bengal's Jalpaiguri district is a grim reminder that little has been done to stop such slaughter in various states.
  - (4) These include dispersed water sources, steep embankments along rail tracks, sharp turnings and sheer speed of trains.
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**(5) Only a month ago, a comprehensive report of the Elephant task Force of the Ministry of Environment and Forests titled “Gajah: Securing the Future for Elephants in India” presented a road map to reduce elephant mortality in train accidents.**

Options:

- (a) 12345
- (b) 54321
- (c) 32415
- (d) 34251
- (e) 31524

**Answer - (e)**

**Explanation -**

Statement (3): This sentence, which states the main idea of the passage, is the introductory statement.

Statement (1): This statement which talks about elephant mortality in Assam and West Bengal and in other states follows 3.

Statement (5): This statement, which talks about what measures the government has initiated to reduce elephant mortality follows 1.

Statement (2): ‘it’ in statement 2 refers to the report released by the Ministry of Environment and Forest mentioned in 5.

Statement (4): ‘these’ in 4 refers to the ‘key factors’ mentioned in 2. Hence 4 follows 2.

Hence the right sequence is 31524.

**Q.45)**

**(1) There were demands to expand this policy by incorporating organic waste like Biogas, Green Manure, organic compost of rural areas, solid/liquid slurry, etc.**

**(2) This expansion will fully complement the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan of the Government of India.**

**(3) The Minister informed that Government is planning to liberalise Market Development Assistance (MDA) Policy.**

**(4) MDA policy was earlier limited to city compost only.**

**(5) It will promote the use of alternative fertilizers.**

Options:

- (a) 12345
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(b) 54321

(c) 21435

(d) 53421

(e) 35412

**Answer - (e)**

**Explanation -**

Statement (3): this sentence, which states the main idea (i.e., the MDA policy) of the passage, is the introductory sentence.

Statement (5): this sentence refers the objective of expansion of the policy, follows 3.

Statement (4): sentence 2 should follow 1 due to the use of the word 'this' which refers to the extension of policy, explained in 1.

So, 4 fits accurately before 1 and 2 as, it talks about the limitation of the policy.

Hence the right sequence is 35412.

**Instructions for Q.46 to Q.48 -** In the following question, there are four sentences. Each sentence has pairs of word(s)/ phrase(s) that are highlighted. From the highlighted word(s)/ phrase(s), select the most appropriate word(s)/ phrase(s) to form correct sentences. Then, from the options given, choose the best one.

**Q.46) Choose the correct one:**

(1) The revised salary will come into effect (A)/ affect (B) from January onwards.

(2) A delicious black currant (A)/ current (B) cake was served as the last course of the meal.

(3) The Venial (A)/ Venal (B) politician was caught red- handed while accepting a bribe.

(4) The eminent (A)/ imminent (B) cardio- thoracic surgeon won the Surgeon of The Year award.

Options:

(a) BAAA

(b) AABA

(c) AB BB

(d) ABBA

(e) ABAB

**Answer – (b)**

**Explanation –**

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Something comes into effect i.e.; something begins to happen. Hence A.

Only the word 'currant', meaning a small black dried grape without seeds, makes sense here. Hence A.

The word venal meaning corrupt is the apt word here. Therefore B.

Eminent- meaning famous is the right word to be used here. Hence A.

Hence, AABA.

**Q.47) Choose the correct one:**

(1) Harish tried to diffuse (A)/ defuse (B) the highly charged atmosphere in the room by cracking a joke.

(2) Children should be apprised of the importance of oral (A)/ aural (B) hygiene.

(3) I made discreet (A)/ discrete (B) enquiries about his conduct and character before offering him employment.

(4) See that you are up to date with your lessons, there is no use pouring (A)/ poring (B) over your books in the last minute.

Options:

(a) ABAA

(b) BBBB

(c) BAAB

(d) AABB

(e) ABAB

**Answer – (c)**

**Explanation –**

To defuse is to make a difficult or dangerous situation calmer by reducing or removing its cause. Obviously 'B' suits the context.

The word oral which means of or relating to the mouth is apt here- A.

The word discreet meaning secret is apt in the given context. Hence A.

To pour over something is to look at and study something carefully. hence- B.

So, the answer is BAAB.

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**Q.48) Choose the correct one:**

- (1) The management censored (A)/ censured (B) him for his irresponsible behaviour.
- (2) The food in this restaurant caters to the taste of even the most discriminating palate (A)/palette (B).
- (3) I finally decided to broach (A)/ brooch (B) the subject of my salary hike with my boss.
- (4) The hostess treated us to a lavish seven course (A)/coarse (B) meal.

Options:

- (a) AAAB
- (b) BAAA
- (c) BBAA
- (d) BABA
- (e) ABAB

**Answer – (b)**

**Explanation –**

Censure is to criticize or reprimand someone for wrong- doing. Hence B.

The word palate which refers to the top part of the inside of the mouth also refers to a person's ability to taste and judge good food. Hence, only the word Palate suits the context. Therefore A.

To broach a subject is to begin a discussion of something difficult. It is obvious that only 'A' suits the context.

The course of a meal refers to a part of meal which is served separately from the other parts. Only 'A' suits the context.

Hence, BAAA.

**Instructions for Q.49 to Q.50 - There are two blanks in the following sentences. From the pairs of words given below each sentence, choose that pair that fills the blanks most appropriately.**

**Q.49) \_\_\_\_ of GDP and its growth rate is extremely important and these are important indicators of the \_\_\_\_ of the economy.**

- (a) calculation, shape
  - (b) assumption, size
  - (c) estimation, performance
  - (d) performance, activities
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(e) target, operations

**Answer – (c)**

**Explanation –**

You should build a strong vocabulary to clear the competitive exams' English. For this purpose, you should read editorials from the newspaper daily. It will not only help in increasing the speed of reading but also aid in enhancing your vocabulary.

**Q.50) \_\_\_\_ to stricter fuel standard is one way to \_\_\_\_ air pollution.**

(a) going, ward off

(b) viewing, put off

(c) deciding, abolish

(d) regulating, doing away with

(e) upgrading, tackle

**Answer – (e)**



**Explanation –**

The most fundamental step to answer this type of question is to build a strong vocabulary and brush up on your grammar concepts. Learn new phrases, synonyms, antonyms, and idioms every day.

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