

Q4. Use the following words, each in a single sentence. Bring out the meaning clearly without changing the form of the word. No credit will be given for a vague or ambiguous sentence. 2x5=10

- (a) austere - adj → simple, plain, lack of comfort/luxury
 (b) loathsome - adj → something/someone that evokes strong emotions of disgust, hatred.
 (c) predicament
 (d) supercilious
 (e) precarious

Q5. Use the following idioms and phrasal verbs in sentences so as to bring out their meaning clearly: 2x5=10

- (a) burning question - something that requires immediate attention
 (b) at loggerheads - disagreement or conflict.
 (c) to laugh in (one's) sleeve - laugh secretly at one's misfortune or mistake
 (d) left in the lurch - left alone in a painful/helpless situation; abandoned.
 (e) see off - goodbye

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As the debate was coming to a close, the audience decided to raise some burning question.

The whole family gathered at the airport to see off their daughter.

Q6. Correct the following sentences without changing their meaning. Do not make unnecessary changes in the original sentence: 1x10=10

- (a) He has promised to lend us some money, isn't it? x hasn't he?
 (b) According to me we should spend more money on education.
 (c) She returned back after sometime.
 (d) Most shopkeepers in the mall deal with jewellery and fashion items.
 (e) The teacher asked the new student what was his name. ^{what} his name was.
 (f) Neither the convict nor his lawyer were present.
 (g) We need to buy more stationery for our office.
 (h) If it will rain? I'll come and meet you in the car.
 (i) Time and tide waits for none. ^{wait} Proverb.
 (j) I doubt that he will be able to accomplish the task in time.

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Austere - The austere teacher commanded respect from her students.

Loathsome - The abandoned house had a loathsome smell that made me run away from there.

Predicament - difficult, unpleasant, painful or challenging situation in which a person finds themselves, but with no easy or straightforward solution.

After getting lost in the haunted bungalow up the mountains with no network signal, we found ourselves in a serious predicament.

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- (h) If it will rain, I'll come and meet you in the car.
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What was his name?

What

Whom

Where

Which

Where was his dog?

Why

Who

Time waits for none.
Time + tide → wait

predicament.

supercilious - (adj) used to describe

someone who has too much of attitude, boastful behaviour, shows too much of superiority, looks down upon others.

The supercilious businessman treated his subordinates quite rudely, doubting their intelligence and only trusting his superiority.

Precarious - (adj) likely to collapse, very unstable, uncertain, fall.

The athletes decided to come back ^{when} they realised that the bridge they were crossing was in a precarious condition.

at loggerheads - Two political parties have been at loggerheads over the budget reform for months.

Neha couldn't help but laugh in her sleeve when her rival Tanmay tripped on the stage during a competition.

Alfese my friends cancelled their plan at the last moment, I was left in the lurch and had to find a way back home in the dark.