



An Eye on Talent

Olympiad Aptitude Test

English

Class XI

Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

The idea of euthanasia, of hastening the death of someone from motives of compassion, covers two main situations. The first is where someone is close to death and can be kept alive briefly, with intensive medical care. The official reason for the use of every possible technique on patients, for whom there seems no hope, is that we never know that there is no hope of at least a brief recovery. The second situation, in which it is proposed to end the life of someone who is not expected to die at once from natural causes, is more morally doubtful. In so far as the suggestion may be based on the notion of the 'quality of life' experienced by the patient, this is an inadequate approach to human beings. At one extreme we may be dealing with a birth that cannot be called 'human' at all: such a being likely to live at the most for only a few hours. Many feel that during this time it ought to be given ordinary nursing care. Bringing to an end of the life of say, a spastic child, by the deliberate refusal of the fullest medical care seems morally indefensible.

Read the questions given below and write the option you consider the most appropriate in your answer sheet:

1. One reason for trying all possible measures to save a person is
 - a) death is horrifying
 - b) there is possibility of recovery
 - c) doctors need to be compassionate
 - d) science may invent more sophisticated machines later
2. The people who argue for euthanasia advocate it saying
 - a) the patient is not living a qualitative life
 - b) we must not spend quality resources on a sick person
 - c) we should not bother about the ailing
 - d) it can be defended morally
3. The words '.....dealing with a birth that cannot be called 'human' at all' implies
 - a) humans have no control over birth and death
 - b) the person may survive only for a very brief period
 - c) doctors are incapable of saving people
 - d) the patient may want to die

4. The writer finds it unpardonable to
- a) end the life of someone who is not expected to die at once from natural causes.
 - b) end the life of a spastic child
 - c) end the life of an infant who is likely to live only for a few hours
 - d) end the life of a human being

Passage

The World Diabetes Congress has determined that India has the largest number of diabetics in the world. Apart from the loss of productivity, the ...(1)... burden is alarming – \$ 2.8 billion annually. Sedentary jobs, ...(2)... of electronic entertainment, changing diet patterns and ...(3)... dependence on automobiles have driven the activity ...(4)... of Indians' lives especially in cities. (A) economic

- (B) finance
- (C) subsidy
- (D) physical

5. (A) broadcast
(B) spread
(C) prevalent
(D) widespread

6. (A) totally
(B) entirely
(C) grown
(D) increasing

7. (A) most
(B) out
(C) from
(D) outside

8. Choose the correct form of verb:

She _____ now

- a) sings
- b) is singing
- c) has sung
- d) will sing

9. Choose the correct option in meaning to the underlined word:

I've never felt so sordid.

- a. Energetic
- b. Healthy
- c. Immoral
- d. Happy

10. Choose the correct option in meaning to the underlined word:

With this faith we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood.

- a. Increasing
- b. Irritating
- c. Noisy
- d. Decreasing

11. Name the problem with this sentence: "When the boy opened his eyes, he couldn't believe what he saw, the horses were running gracefully toward him!"

- a. run on
- b. comma splice
- c. faulty parallelism
- d. sentence fragment

12. Read each of the following sentences. Choose the sentence that does not contain any errors.

- a) Waiting for the weather to clear up; they played chess indoors for hours.
- b) We planted the following vegetables in our garden: carrots, corn, pumpkins, and zucchini.
- c) Having purchases noodles, sprouts, and fish sauce at the grocery store; Lin was ready to prepare dinner.
- d) Under the light of moon we sat and watched a movie at the drivein theater.

13. Amendment VI discusses the use of an impartial jury. In the word IMPARTIAL, the prefix im- most likely means

- a) full of.
- b) very.
- c) not.
- d) against.

14. The noun form of the word undulate is _____.

- a) undulated
- b) undulation
- c) undulates
- d) undulating