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Direction (1-10): Read the passage carefully and answer the question that follow. Certain words are printed in bold to help you locate them while answering some of the question:

Technology can be most broadly defined as the entities, both material and immaterial, created by the application of mental and physical effort in order to achieve some value. In this usage, technology refers to tools and machines that may be used to solve real-world problems. It is a far-reaching term that may include simple tools, such as a crowbar or wooden spoon, or more complex machines, such as a space station or particle accelerator. Tools and machines need not be material; virtual technology, such as computer software and business methods, fall under this definition of technology.

The word "technology" can also be used to refer to a collection of techniques. In this context, it is the current state of humanity's knowledge of how to combine resources to produce desired products, to solve problems, fulfill needs, or satisfies wants; it includes technical methods, skills, processes, techniques, tools and raw materials. When combined with another term, such as "medical technology" or "space technology," it refers to the state of the respective field's knowledge and tools. "State-of-the-art technology" refers to the high technology available to humanity in any field.

Technology can be viewed as an activity that forms or changes culture. Additionally, technology is the application of math, science, and the arts for the benefit of life as it is known. A modern example is the rise of communication technology, which has lessened barriers to human interaction and, as a result, has helped **spawn** new subcultures; the rise of cyber culture has, at its basis, the development of the Internet and the computer. Not all technology enhances culture in a creative way; technology can also help facilitate political **oppression** and war via tools such as guns. As a cultural activity, technology **predates** both science and engineering, each of which formalizes some aspects of technological **endeavour**.

1. What is virtual technology, according to the passage?

- (a) A space station or particle accelerator.
- (b) Computer software and business methods.
- (c) Technical methods, skills, processes, techniques, tools and raw materials.
- (d) The state of the respective field's knowledge and tools.
- (e) None of the above.

2. How do developments of technology bring out cultural changes?

- (a) It has lessened barriers to human interaction and, as a result, has helped spawn new subcultures; the rise of cyber culture has, at its basis, the development of the Internet and the computer.
- (b) It combines resources to produce desired products, to solve problems, fulfill needs, or satisfies wants.
- (c) Technology refers to tools and machines that may be used to solve real-world problems.
- (d) As a cultural activity, technology predates both science and engineering.
- (e) E. None of the above.

3. Which two fields have been stated as an example which when combined with technology state the respective field's knowledge and tools?

- (a) Virtual technology, space technology.
- (b) Science, engineering technology.
- (c) Medical technology, space technology.
- (d) All of the above.
- (e) None of the above.
- 4. Pick out the word that is most nearly the same in meaning as the word printed in BOLD type, as used in the passage.

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SPAWN

- (a) Generate
- (b) Beget
- (c) Ruin
- (d) Halt
- (e) None of these
- 5. Pick out the word that is most nearly the same in meaning as the word printed in BOLD type, as used in the passage.

OPPRESSION

- (a) Persecution
- (b) Democracy
- (c) Emergency
- (d) Fair
- (e) B and D.
- 6. Pick out the word that is most opposite in meaning as the word printed in BOLD type, as used in the passage.

ENDEAVOR

- (a) Negligence
- (b) Avocation
- (c) Contemplate
- (d) Exertion
- (e) B and D.
- 7. Pick out the word that is most opposite in meaning as the word printed in BOLD type, as used in the passage.

PREDATES

- (a) Antedate
- (b) Follow
- (c) Antecede
- (d) Forego
- (e) None of the above
- 8. According to the passage, how is technology beneficial for human being?
 - (a) It helped spawn new subcultures.
 - (b) Technology can be used to solve real-world problems.
 - (c) It has lessened barriers to human interaction.
 - (d) Only A and B
 - (e) All the above
- 9. According to the passage, why is development of technology referred to as a problem solving tool?

- (a) It consists of material and immaterial entities which help in problem solving.
- (b) It is a far-reaching term that includes complex tools which help to solve the problems.
- (c) It combines resources to produce desired products and to solve problems.
- (d) Only B and D
- (e) All the above
- 10. According to the author, the central idea of the passage is to....
 - (a) Demonstrate award winning achievements of technology.
 - (b) Support space technology.
 - (c) Criticize the technological changes.
 - (d) Highlight the positive changes brought by technology.
 - (e) All the above.

Directions (11-20): Which of the phrases (a), (b), (c) and (d) given below each sentence should replace the phrase printed in bold letters to make the sentence grammatically correct? If the sentence is correct as it is, mark (e) i.e., "No correction required" as the answer.

- 11. In Castle town, Rose met the doctor who wanted to know if Freddie was managing to keep off her ankle.
 - (a) to keep away
 - (b) to keep of
 - (c) to keep out
 - (d) to keep up with
 - (e) No correction required
- Don't give it into despair just because you didn't get into the college that was at the top of your wishlist.
 - (a) Give yourself up in
 - (b) Give off in
 - (c) give up in
 - (d) give in to
 - (e) No correction required
- It was dominated by Franklin Roosevelt, the cunning, determined, good-natured president called forth by the crisis of the Depression.
 - (a) call forth on
 - (b) called upon by
 - (c) called out upon

- (d) called out by
- (e) No correction required
- 14. Shah Rukh Khan has expressed his disappointment for being detained by US authorities at Los Angeles International Airport.
 - (a) at being detained
 - (b) for detaining
 - (c) because of detaining
 - (d) owing to be detained
 - (e) No correction required
- 15. The teacher asked the pupils to get going at some work quietly as she had to leave the classroom.
 - (a) get even with
 - (b) get hold of
 - (c) get on with
 - (d) get wind of
 - (e) No correction required
- 16. After our month-long trip, it was time to get along with the neighbors and the news around town.
 - (a) keep track on
 - (b) get going with
 - (c) catch hold of
 - (d) catch up with
 - (e) No correction required
- 17. Good instructors will look upon early signs of failure in their students
 - (a) look in
 - (b) look out for
 - (c) look for
 - (d) look up with
 - (e) No correction required
- 18. If you talk towards someone in authority such as a parent or teacher, you answer them in a rude way
 - (a) talk down with
 - (b) talk over with
 - (c) talk back to
 - (d) talk around of
 - (e) No correction required
- 19. Before we take this farther, let's consider something the Internet has taught us about ourselves.

- (a) take that farther
- (b) took it further
- (c) took it farther
- (d) take that further
- (e) No correction required
- 20. It was great to think back of not just that experience, but on why that film still resonates with people.
 - (a) Think back on
 - (b) think about
 - (c) think it through
 - (d) think back about
 - (e) No correction required

Directions (21 - 30): In the following passage there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five words/phrases are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately. Find out the appropriate word/phrase in each case.

There is a considerable amount of research about the factors that make a company innovate. So is it possible to create an environment (I) to innovation? This is a particularly pertinent (II) for India today. Massive problems in health, education etc (III) be solved using a conventional Approach but (IV) creative and innovative solutions that can ensure radical change and (V). There are several factors in India's (VI). Few countries have the rich diversity that India or its large, young population (VII). While these (VIII) innovation policy interventions certain additional steps are also required. These include (IX) investment in research and development by (X) the government and the private sector, easy transfer of technology from the academic world etc. To fulfill its promise of being prosperous and to be at the forefront, India must be innovative.

21. I

- (a) stimuli
- (b) conducive
- (c) incentive
- (d) facilitated
- (e) impetus
- 22. II
 - (a) objective
 - (b) controversy
 - (c) doubt
 - (d) question
 - (e) inference

23. III

- (a) cannot
- (b) possibly
- (c) should
- (d) never
- (e) must

24. IV

- (a) necesary
- (b) apply
- (c) need
- (d) consider
- (e) requires

25. V

- (a) quantity
- (b) advantages
- (c) increase
- (d) chaos
- (e) growth

26. VI

- (a) challenges
- (b) praises
- (c) favour
- (d) leverage
- (e) esteem

27. VII

- (a) blessed
- (b) enjoys
- (c) endows
- (d) prevails
- (e) occurs

28. VIII

- (a) aid
- (b) jeopardise
- (c) promotes
- (d) endure
- (e) cater

29. IX

- (a) acute
- (b) utilising
- (c) restricting
- (d) inspiring
- (e) increased

30. X

- (a) both
- (b) besides
- (c) combining
- (d) participating
- (e) also
