

# IBPS RRBs

## English Language

### Reading Skills

**Directions (Q.No. 1-2):** In the following questions, A paragraph is given with three blanks, followed by six words. Choose the most suitable combination of words among the five/ four alternative options, that will fill the blank, forming a grammatically correct and meaningful paragraph. If none of the combinations is suitable to the fill the blank, mark, 'None of these' as your answer.

1. The government seems to be in denial that this ..... trend of informalisation of labour in India is policy-induced. By ..... the traditionally used National Sample Survey office's employment-unemployment estimates, with the Employees' Provident Fund Organization database of inconsistent quality, the government is trying to sweep some ..... evidences under the carpet.

- A) Disconcerting      B) Posterior      C) Superseding  
D) Contemporary      E) Bewildering      F) Supplanting  
1) B, C, A      2) D, A, E      3) D, F, A      4) B, F, D  
5) None of these

2. While the Supreme Court has ..... the detention of the accused in jail, their house arrest is only a limited ..... The truth is that the accused will have to face a never-ending oppressive ..... process which, once initiated, consumes life and is destructive of one's pride and dignity.

- A) Disdain      B) Legitimate      C) Interdicted  
D) Consolation      E) Prosecutorial      F) Suppressed  
1) B, A, F      2) D, A, E      3) E, F, A      4) C, D, E  
5) None of these

**Directions (Q.No. 3-7):** In the questions below, there are two statements consists of two blanks. Choose the option which provides the correct set of words that fits in the blanks in both the statements suitably.

3. 1) Today, health systems operate on a..... of how involved patients are in the delivery of their.....  
2) The board members of the Telecom Company have disregarded the..... issue because they ..... more about profit.

- 1) factor; service      2) spectrum; care  
3) guideline; factor      4) comprehension; care  
5) variety; thought

4. 1) As other industries have become more ..... in dictating and blocking cyberattacks, criminals have had to find new ..... of data.

- 2) Only ..... voters are able to differentiate between information .....
- 1) predominant; outcome  
2) developed; change  
3) sophisticated; sources  
4) advanced; boom  
5) reliable; technology



12. Scientists, from across the country, have ..... emphasis on the need to take immediate steps to ..... the issue of climate change.
- 1) placed, stop                      2) paid, halt                      3) given, hold                      4) laid, address  
5) put, clear
13. Biological clocks are of ..... adaptive value to animals since it ..... nervous and physiological functions of the body.
- 1) immense, assumes                      2) great, regulates  
3) ultimate, created                      4) high, engulfs  
5) no, governs
14. Each occupation has its .....; bankers, lawyers and computer professionals, for example, all use among themselves ..... that outsiders find it difficult to follow.
- 1) merits, incidents                      2) disadvantages, methods  
3) rewards, endearment                      4) jargon, language  
5) problems, fundamentals
15. The two artists ..... markedly in their temperaments, one was reserved and courteous, the other ..... and boastful.
- 1) changed, irritable                      2) similar, jovial  
3) differed, rude                      4) appeared, funny  
5) addressed, ill-tempered
16. Punishment is ..... and ..... a lot of wrong doings.
- 1) inevitable, encourages                      2) a deterrent, prevents  
3) mandatory, mars                      4) a reward, bans  
5) essential, cancels
17. If you kindly bear ..... me for some time, I shall ..... the whole issue.
- 1) out, understand                      2) on, solve                      3) with, clarify                      4) for, know  
5) over, intimate
18. The feeling of being discriminated among certain communities in our country is not entirely ..... or .....
- 1) sound, unfounded                      2) baseless, justified  
3) compelling, irrational                      4) unreasonable, imaginary  
5) unpardonable, unimaginative
19. Many hospitals in our city are extremely costly, but the conditions there are ....., .....
- 1) disgustingly, poor                      2) equally, rich  
3) admirably, comfortable                      4) extremely, suitable  
5) frequently, tolerable
20. factories ..... metal ore produce silver dioxide which ..... thousands of hectares of plantation.
- 1) manufacturing, increases                      2) processing, destroys  
3) developing, kills                      4) processing, enhances  
5) prospering, destroys

