

Decision making

Directions (1-5):In each question below is given a statement followed by two assumptions numbered I and II. Consider the statement and decide which of the given assumptions are Implicit.

1. Statement-

Bikram's advice to Bala's – “ If you want to study Engineering, Join institute Quantum.”

Assumptions-

- I. Institute Quantum provides good engineering education.
- II. Bala listen Bikram's advice.
- A. If only assumption I is Implicit
- B. If only assumption II is Implicit
- C. If either I or II is Implicit
- D. If neither I nor II is Implicit
- E. If both I and II are implicit

Correct option is: E

2. Statement-

“It is dangerous to lean out of a running train.”

Assumptions-

- I. Generally people do not like to get hurt.
- II. All those who lean out of a train run the risk of being hurt.
- A. If only assumption I is Implicit
- B. If only assumption II is Implicit
- C. If either I or II is Implicit
- D. If neither I nor II is Implicit
- E. If both I and II are implicit

Correct option is: B

3. Statement-

“Love marriages mostly end in divorce.”

Assumptions-

- I. Love marriages do take place.
- II. There are cases of divorce.
- A. If only assumption I is Implicit
- B. If only assumption II is Implicit

- C. If either I or II is Implicit
- D. If neither I nor II is Implicit
- E. If both I and II are implicit

Correct option is: E

4. Statement- “

Buy pure and natural Oil of company HOL” – An ad. in a newspaper.

Assumptions-

- I. People do not mind paying more for pure and natural oil.
- II. Artificial oil can be prepared.
- A. If only assumption I is Implicit
- B. If only assumption II is Implicit
- C. If either I or II is Implicit
- D. If neither I nor II is Implicit
- E. If both I and II are implicit

Correct option is: B

5. Statement-

“The extradition treaty with USA holds great significance for Japan as a people like Amla , the top leader of IS who is currently lodged in a USA jail.”

Assumptions-

- I. USA may be the hiding place for many terrorist groups like IS.
- II. Terrorists groups like IS which spread terrorism in Japan may also be spreading terrorism in other countries like USA.
- A. If only assumption I is Implicit
- B. If only assumption II is Implicit
- C. If either I or II is Implicit
- D. If neither I nor II is Implicit
- E. If both I and II are implicit

Correct option is: E

DIRECTIONS (6-9): In each of these questions few statements is followed by two conclusions numbered I and II. Assume everything in the statement to be true. Consider the two conclusions together and decide which of them logically follows beyond a reasonable doubt from the information given in the statement.

6. Statement:

I know nothing except the fact of my ignorance.

Conclusions:

- I. Writer's knowledge is very poor
- II. The world of knowledge is too vast to be explored by a single person.
- A. If only conclusion II follows
- B. If only conclusion I follows
- C. If neither I nor II follows
- D. If both I and II follow
- E. None of these

Correct option is: C

7. Statement:

Quality has a price tag. India is allocating lots of funds to education.

Conclusions:

- I. Quality of education in India would improve soon
- II. Funding alone can enhance quality of education
- A. If only conclusion II follows
- B. If only conclusion I follows
- C. If neither I nor II follows
- D. If both I and II follow
- E. None of these

Correct option is: B

8. Statement:

A man must be wise to be a good wrangler.

Good wranglers are talkative and boring.

Conclusions:

- I. All the wise persons are boring
- II. All the wise persons are good wranglers.
- A. If only conclusion II follows
- B. If only conclusion I follows
- C. If neither I nor II follows
- D. If both I and II follow
- E. None of these

Correct option is: C

9. Statement:

In case of outstanding candidates, the condition of previous experience of social work may be waived by the admission committee for M.A. (Social work).

Conclusions:

I. Some of the students for M.A. (Social work) will have previous experience of social work.

II. Some of the students for M.A. (Social work) will not have previous experience of social work.

A. If only conclusion II follows

B. If only conclusion I follows

C. If neither I nor II follows

D. If both I and II follow

E. None of these

Correct option is : D

Directions (10 – 14): Read the statement and arguments carefully and choose the right answer.

10. There is a growing feeling amongst the larger Asian countries that the West is passé. The news coming out of there, especially since the 2008 financial crisis, is of declining populations, big layoffs and economic meltdowns in several countries of the European Union (EU), Italy being the latest. So much of bad news over an extended period gives the impression that the rise of the West has finally halted; that the West is now in cowering retreat.

Which of the following weakens the argument provided in the passage above?

I. The Western media has contributed to perpetuating the news of the decline of the West.

II. The rich West hangs together, with a combined GDP several times than that of the rest of the world.

III. The U.S., has a growing population and remains the most productive and innovative in the world, as well as militarily the most powerful.

A. Only II

B. Only III

C. Only I and II

D. Only I and III

E. Only II and III

Correct option is: D

11. It is perhaps no surprise that political parties are deeply divided over the idea of holding simultaneous elections for the Lok Sabha and the State Assemblies. During consultations initiated by the Law Commission of India, nine parties opposed it, arguing that it went against the constitutional fabric and that it would be impractical. Four parties backed the concept.

Which of the following strengthens the case for simultaneous elections?

I. A simultaneous poll, particularly in this era where news is easily and widely disseminated, will privilege national issues over regional ones even if, arguably, the reverse may happen too.

II. Assemblies can be bunched into two categories based on whether their terms end close to the 2019 or the 2024 Lok Sabha elections and then elections could be held for one group in 2019, and for another in 2024 so that subsequent elections could be synchronised.

III. Election expenditure will be drastically cut and ruling dispensations will be able to focus on legislation and governance rather than having to be in campaign mode forever.

- A. Only II
- B. Only III
- C. Only I and II
- D. Only II and III
- E. All of the above

Correct option is: B

12. Recently, the Sensex 30 hurtled past 36,000 and the Nifty50 scaled 11000, voices of caution were drowned out by those celebrating the fastest 1000-point gain in the Sensex. Domestic market players continue to conjure up a variety of justifications for these gains — IMF's bullish forecast, earnings revival, budget reforms, the January effect and surging domestic flows. But Indian investors still have the most to worry about a possible melt-up scenario, because with the Sensex 30 is one of the most expensive markets in the world and at the current levels,

allows little margin of safety for disappointments. Inveterate bulls argue that this time it's different because India's stock rally in the last three years has been powered more by sticky domestic retail money, than fickle foreign flows.

Which of the following weakens the claim that the stock rally would be a sustained one this time?

- I. Market intermediaries and funds have everything to gain from ballooning assets.
 - II. The Sensex 30's price-earnings ratio is at 25.2 times and is at a very steep valuation already.
 - III. Most of the domestic money flooding into equities now is not from patient or informed investors.
- A. Only III
 - B. Only I and II
 - C. Only II and III
 - D. Only I and III
 - E. All of the above

Correct option is: A

13. India will soon become a nation producing world leading products developed by a large number of small local entrepreneurs.

Which of the following is/are valid argument/arguments?

- I. No. The true potential of entrepreneurship can be attained not by having too many startups but by ensuring that these startups grow into sizeable businesses.
 - II. Yes. Starting up a business is a hard task and growing it is much easier.
 - III. No. We support seeding of businesses but once these businesses are successful, our policies simply do not seem to help them.
- A. Only I
 - B. Only II
 - C. Only I and III
 - D. Only II and III
 - E. All of the above

Correct option is: C

14. In India, handloom art is in crisis. The textile ministry's Handlooms Census (2010) shows there has been a 33 per cent drop in handloom employment since 1995-96. India's handloom exports touched Rs 2,246 crore in 2014-15. However this has been continually declining compared to the previous 4-5 years. Since India produces almost 85 per cent of the world's handloom products, we can ill afford to let the handloom sector and handloom art to fall into decline.

Which of the following statements weakens the importance of the handloom sector?

I. Only 4.3 million people are engaged in handloom weaving and allied activities now, against 6.5 million in 1995-96.

II. Handloom is the second largest unorganized set of economic activities in the country, after agriculture that supports rural areas.

III. Handloom art and weaving centres are clustered all over the country with many of these art genres being popular in international markets.

A. Only I

B. Only II

C. Only I and III

D. Only II and III

E. None of the above

Correct option is: A

Directions (15-18): Study the following questions carefully and choose the right answer:

15. Statement :

Footpaths of a busy road are crowded with vendors selling cheap items.

Courses of action :

I. The help of police should be sought to drive them away.

II. Some space should be provided to them where they can earn their bread without blocking footpaths.

A. Only I follows

- B. Only II follows
- C. Either I or II follows
- D. Neither I or II follows
- E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: E

16. Statement:

A very large number of students have failed in the final high school examination due to faulty questions in one of the subjects.

Courses of action:

- I. All the students who have failed in the subject should be allowed to take supplementary examination.
- II. All those who are responsible for the error should be suspended and an enquiry should be initiated to find out the facts.

- A. Only I follows
- B. Only II follows
- C. Either I or II follows
- D. Neither I or II follows
- E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: E

17. Statement:

It is necessary to adopt suitable measures to prevent repetition of bad debts by learning from the past experiences of mounting non-performing assets of banks.

Courses of action:

- I. Before granting loan to customers their eligibility for loan should be evaluated strictly.
- II. To ensure the payment of instalments of loan, the work, for which loan was granted, should be supervised minutely on regular basis.

- A. Only I follows
- B. Only II follows
- C. Either I or II follows
- D. Neither I or II follows

E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: E

18. Statement:

The sale of a particular product has gone down considerably causing great concern to the company.

Courses of action:

I. The company should make a proper study of rival products in the market.

II. The price of the product should be reduced and quality improved.

A. Only I follows

B. Only II follows

C. Either I or II follows

D. Neither I or II follows

E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: A

19. Statement:

Should selection tests be of the objective rather than of the descriptive type?

Arguments:

I, Yes, The assessment of answers to objective type questions is fair and Impartial.

II. No. The descriptive type test is certainly a better tool than the objective type test.

A. Only I is strong

B. Only II is strong

C. Either I or II is strong

D. Neither I nor II is strong

E. Both I and II are strong

Correct option is: A

20. Statement:

Should state lotteries be stopped?

Arguments:

- I. Yes. Government should not promote gambling habits.
- II. No, Government will lose a large amount of revenue.
- A. Only I is strong
- B. Only II is strong
- C. Either I or II is strong
- D. Neither I nor II is strong
- E. Both I and II are strong

Correct option is: E

21.Statement:

Many medical and engineering graduates are taking up jobs in administrative services and in banks.

Courses of action:

- I. All the professionals should be advised to refrain from taking up such jobs.
- II.The government should appoint a committee to find out the reasons for these professionals taking up such jobs and to suggest remedial measures.
- A. Only I follows
- B. Only II follows
- C. Either I or II follows
- D. Neither I or II follows
- E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: B

22. Statement:

The cinema halls are incurring heavy losses these days as people prefer to watch movies in home on TV than to visit cinema halls.

Courses of action:

- I.The cinema halls should be demolished and residential multi-storey buildings should be constructed there.
- II. The cinema halls should be converted into shopping malls.
- A. Only I follows
- B. Only II follows
- C. Either I or II follows
- D. Neither I or II follows

E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: D

23. Statement:

Due to substantial reduction in fares by different airline services, large number of passengers so far travelling by upper classes in trains have switched over to airline services.

Courses of action:

I. The railways should immediately reduce the fare structure of the upper classes substantially to retain its passengers.

II. The railways should reduce the capacity of upper classes in all the trains to avoid loss.

A. Only I follows

B. Only II follows

C. Either I or II follows

D. Neither I or II follows

E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: A

24. Statement:

In spite of the Principal's repeated warnings, a child was caught exploding crackers secretly in the school.

Courses of action:

I. All the crackers should be taken away from the child and he should be threatened not to do it again.

II. The child should be severely punished for his wrong act.

A. Only I follows

B. Only II follows

C. Either I or II follows

D. Neither I or II follows

E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: B

25. Statement:

The availability of imported fruits has increased in the indigenous market and so the demand for indigenous fruits has been decreased.

Courses of action:

I. To help the indigenous producers of fruits, the Government should impose high import duty on these fruits, even if these are not of good quality.

II. The fruit vendors should stop selling imported fruits so that the demand for indigenous fruits would be increased.

- A. Only I follows
- B. Only II follows
- C. Either I or II follows
- D. Neither I or II follows
- E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: D

26. Statement :

The General Administration Department has issued a circular to all the employees informing them that hence forth the employees can avail their lunch break at any of the half hour slots between 1:00 pm and 2 : 30 pm.

Assumptions

I. The employees may welcome the decision and avail lunch break at different time slots

II. There may not be any break in the work of the organization as the employees will have their lunch break at different time slots.

- A. If only Assumption I is implicit
- B. If only Assumption II is implicit
- C. If either Assumption I or II is implicit
- D. If neither Assumption I nor II is implicit
- E. If both Assumption I and II are implicit

Correct option is: E

Directions (27 - 31): Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below.

Following are the criteria required to be fulfilled to gain admission into any engineering college in Tamilnadu.

- i) The candidate should have secured at least 60% marks in HSC or 50% marks in CBSE.
- ii) a) The candidate should have passed in HSC with academic subjects namely Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry put together with a minimum average percent are only eligible to apply.
(or)
b) A pass in any one of the HSC vocational subjects with any one of the Engineering related subjects namely Mathematics, Physics or Chemistry with a minimum average percent are also eligible to apply.
- iii) The candidate should be a resident of Tamilnadu i.e. the candidate who have passed XI and XII std. in Tamilnadu.
- iv) The candidate should have secured at least 60% marks in the entrance exam.
- A) At i) above, but the candidate has good sports record, the candidate is admitted under sports quota.
B) At iii) above, but their parents or guardians have been serving in Tamilnadu continuously for the past five years at the time of admissions. They are also eligible to apply and the candidates are admitted under other state quota.

In each question below details of one candidate is given. You have to take one of the following course of action based on the information provided and the conditions and sub-conditions given above and mark the number of that course of action as your answer. You are not to assume anything other than the information provided in each question. All these cases are given to you as on 01.10.2017.

27. Chanakya was born and brought up in Andhra Pradesh. He secured 60% marks in CBSE with academic subjects. He secured 50% marks in entrance exam.
- A. If admission can be granted
 - B. If admission cannot be granted
 - C. If the data are inadequate to take a decision.
 - D. If the candidate is admitted under sports quota
 - E. If the candidate is admitted under other state quota

Correct option is: B

28. Priya is a resident of Tamilnadu. She scored 75% marks in HSC with academic subjects and scored 65% marks in entrance exam.
- A. If admission can be granted
 - B. If admission cannot be granted
 - C. If the data are inadequate to take a decision.
 - D. If the candidate is admitted under sports quota

E. If the candidate is admitted under other state quota

Correct option is: A

29. Manshi secured 72% marks in HSC with academic subjects and secured 65% marks in entrance exam. She studied HSC in Karnataka. Her father is working in Tamilnadu from 2010.

- A. If admission can be granted
- B. If admission cannot be granted
- C. If the data are inadequate to take a decision.
- D. If the candidate is admitted under sports quota
- E. If the candidate is admitted under other state quota

Correct option is: E

30. Swathi scored 80% marks in HSC with vocational subjects. She studied XI and XII std. in Tamilnadu.

- A. If admission can be granted
- B. If admission cannot be granted
- C. If the data are inadequate to take a decision.
- D. If the candidate is admitted under sports quota
- E. If the candidate is admitted under other state quota

Correct option is: C

31. Rahul scored 62% marks in entrance exam and scored 45% marks in CBSE with academic subjects. He is a gold medalist in high jump at National games in junior category. He is a resident of Tamilnadu.

- A. If admission can be granted
- B. If admission cannot be granted
- C. If the data are inadequate to take a decision.
- D. If the candidate is admitted under sports quota
- E. If the candidate is admitted under other state quota

Correct option is: D

32. Statement :

There has been a significant drop in the water level of all the lakes supplying water to the city.

Courses of action :

I. The water supply authority should impose a partial cut in supply to tackle the situation.

II. The government should appeal to all the residents through mass media for minimal use of water.

- A. Only I follows
- B. Only II follows
- C. Either I or II follows
- D. Neither I nor II follows
- E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: E

33. Statement:

On an average, about twenty people are run over by trains and die everyday while crossing the railway tracks through the level crossing.

Courses of action:

I. The railway authorities should be instructed to close all the level crossings.

II. Those who are found crossing the tracks, when the gates are closed, should be fined heavily.

- A. Only I follows
- B. Only II follows
- C. Either I or II follows
- D. Neither I nor II follows
- E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: B

34. Statement:

There is a substantial increase in the number of accidents causing deaths and severe injuries to malfunctioning of the traffic signals.

Courses of action:

I. The traffic police should immediately post traffic personnel at the junctions.

II. The signal system should immediately be repaired or replaced.

- A. Only I follows
- B. Only II follows
- C. Either I or II follows

- D. Neither I nor II follows
- E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: C

35. Statement:

As many as ten coaches of a passenger train have derailed and blocked both pairs of the railway tracks.

Courses of action:

I. The railway authorities should immediately send men and equipment to the spot to clear the railway tracks.

II. All the trains running in both the directions should be diverted to other routes.

- A. Only I follows
- B. Only II follows
- C. Either I or II follows
- D. Neither I nor II follows
- E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: E

36. Statement:

Most of the development plans develop in papers only.

Courses of action:

I. The in charge should be instructed to supervise the field-work regularly.

II. The supply of paper to such departments should be cut short.

- A. Only I follows
- B. Only II follows
- C. Either I or II follows
- D. Neither I nor II follows
- E. Both I and II follow

Correct option is: A

37. Statement:

Should slum dweller be provided free houses in big cities and metropolises?

Arguments:

I. No, most of the slum dwellers are poor and illiterate.

II. Yes, providing food and shelter to every citizen is the responsibility of any welfare state.

- A. Only I is strong
- B. Only II is strong
- C. Either I or II is strong
- D. Neither I nor II is strong
- E. Both I and II are strong

Correct option is: B

38. Statement:

Should Polythene Bags be banned in India?

Arguments:

I. No, The polythene bags are very cheap and are very convenient.

II. Yes, that is what many countries are doing.

- A. Only I is strong
- B. Only II is strong
- C. Either I or II is strong
- D. Neither I nor II is strong
- E. Both I and II are strong

Correct option is: D

39. Statement:

Should military service for short duration be made compulsory to all eligible youth in India?

Arguments:

I. Yes, Indian defense forces are badly in need of jawans and officers.

II. Yes, it will inculcate discipline and national pride in youth.

- A. Only I is strong
- B. Only II is strong
- C. Either I or II is strong
- D. Neither I nor II is strong
- E. Both I and II are strong

Correct option is: A

40. Statement :

The school authority has decided to increase the number of students in each classroom to seventy from the next academic session to bridge the gap between income and expenditure to a larger extent.

Assumptions

I. The income generated by way of fees of the additional students will be sufficient enough to bridge the gap.

II. The school will get all the additional students in each class from the next academic session.

- A. If only Assumption I is implicit
- B. If only Assumption II is implicit
- C. If either Assumption I or II is implicit
- D. If neither Assumption I nor II is implicit
- E. If both Assumption I and II are implicit

Correct option is: E

Directions (41-47): study the following information carefully and answer the questions which follow.

A bank is disbursing educational loans to meritorious students. Loans will be made available to applicants who possess the following criteria.

The candidate must

- i) Be a citizen of India.
- ii) Have secured admission to a post-graduate course (master's or PG diploma) offered by an Indian or foreign university in India.
- iii) Have secured 60% marks in the entrance examination for the course.
- iv) Have security (Property/ LIC policy) equivalent to the loan amount.

However, if the applicant fulfils the above mentioned criteria except

- a) at (ii) above, the case may be referred to the loan committee.
- b) at (iv) above, guarantee of a third party who has an account with the bank may be obtained.

41. Shruti has secured admission to MNV university in Chennai for a post-graduate degree in management. She obtained 65% in the entrance test for the course. She has an Indian passport.

- A. if the loan is to be sanctioned
- B. if the loan is to be rejected
- C. if the loan is to be referred to the loan committee
- D. if guarantee from an account holder is needed

E. if the data provided is inadequate to take a decision

Correct option is: E

42. Milind has applied and secured admission for a post-graduate degree in advertising at MIC University, Ahmedabad. He has an LIC policy equivalent to the loan amount. He secured 70% in his graduation and is an Indian citizen.

- A. if the loan is to be sanctioned
- B. if the loan is to be rejected
- C. if the loan is to be referred to the loan committee
- D. if guarantee from an account holder is needed
- E. if the data provided is inadequate to take a decision

Correct option is: E

43. Prakash has applied for a post-graduate course in IT and animation which will commence from January in Kolkata. He has secured admission to the course having obtained 60% in the written entrance test. His uncle, who has an account with the bank, is willing to stand guarantor.

- A. if the loan is to be sanctioned
- B. if the loan is to be rejected
- C. if the loan is to be referred to the loan committee
- D. if guarantee from an account holder is needed
- E. if the data provided is inadequate to take a decision

Correct option is: E

44. Anil is an Indian Science graduate who has secured admission for a master's degree in Computer Science from a prestigious Indian University. He stood first in the entrance test with 82% marks. His family is willing to use their house, which is equivalent in value to the loan amount, as security. He will stay with his uncle in Dubai during the course.

- A. if the loan is to be sanctioned
- B. if the loan is to be rejected
- C. if the loan is to be referred to the loan committee
- D. if guarantee from an account holder is needed
- E. if the data provided is inadequate to take a decision

Correct option is: A

45. Nikhil's part time PG diploma in management will begin in December. He secured 65% in the all India entrance exam and has secured admission to a college in Mumbai. He has requested a transfer for the duration of the course. He has an LIC policy equivalent to the loan amount. Nikhil holds an Indian passport.

- A. if the loan is to be sanctioned
- B. if the loan is to be rejected
- C. if the loan is to be referred to the loan committee
- D. if guarantee from an account holder is needed
- E. if the data provided is inadequate to take a decision

Correct option is: A

46. Maria secured 75% in the entrance exam to NVT college, pune and has obtained admission. An Indian national, she has the necessary property to offer as security for the loan amount. The duration of her undergraduate degree course in Computer Applications is 3 yr.

- A. if the loan is to be sanctioned
- B. if the loan is to be rejected
- C. if the loan is to be referred to the loan committee
- D. if guarantee from an account holder is needed
- E. if the data provided is inadequate to take a decision

Correct option is: C

47. Deepa obtained 70% in her engineering entrance exam for her master's and has secured admission to the college of her choice. She has an LIC policy equivalent in value to the loan amount.

- A. if the loan is to be sanctioned
- B. if the loan is to be rejected
- C. if the loan is to be referred to the loan committee
- D. if guarantee from an account holder is needed
- E. if the data provided is inadequate to take a decision

Correct option is: E

48. Statement:

“Quit drinking before it destroys you.” – A notice issued in public interest by XYZ department.

Assumptions:

- I. People fear being destroyed

II. Drinking breaks the drinker's family.

- A. If only assumption I is implicit
- B. If only assumption II is implicit
- C. If either I or II is implicit
- D. If neither I nor II is implicit
- E. If both I and II are implicit

Correct option is: A

49.Statement:

“The government's decision to supply ARV drugs in six selected states free of cost is commendable, but the patients should be adequately educated before the drugs are administered.” – View of Mr. „X“

Assumptions:

- I.The patients can develop drug resistance if they are not regular in their medication
 - II. The patients if not counselled properly may spread the drug – resistant disease.
- A. If only assumption I is implicit
 - B. If only assumption II is implicit
 - C. If either I or II is implicit
 - D. If neither I nor II is implicit
 - E. If both I and II are implicit

Correct option is: D

50. Statements:

“It is alarming to note that only 48 to 50 percent of the voters in State „X“. The government must make it mandatory for all to exercise their franchise in order to make the democracy more meaningful.” – View of a voter

Assumption:

- I.Increase in the participation of voters will ensure increase in the rationality of the democratic set – up.
 - II. Making it „Mandatory for all to exercise their franchise“ may increase the number of voters
- A. If only assumption I is implicit
 - B. If only assumption II is implicit
 - C. If either I or II is implicit
 - D. If neither I nor II is implicit
 - E. If both I and II are implicit

Correct option is: E