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1. Why I want to be a CSP?

Ans: I want to be a CSP officer because I want to serve my country. Secondly, it was also my father's wish, he wants me to become a CSP. Third and most important thing is that it's a prestigious job. One can serve one's country oneself without compromising personal dignity or honour.

2. My favourite subject:

My favourite subject is mathematics. It is logical based and less time consuming. One can clear one's concepts in it. It is not rote learning based. Rote learning takes more time and forgets easily with some time while logical base questions can be solved easily if concepts are clear and it can be memorized after a long time. Mathematics is the mother of all sciences.

Negative and interrogative sentences:

Negative Sentences:

1. I do not want to be a CSP officer.
2. I do not want to serve my country.
3. My father does not want me to be a CSP.
4. Rotationalization does not forgets easily and it does not takes more time.
5. Logical base questions do not solve easily.

Interrogative Sentences:

- (1. x I do not want to be a CSP officer)
1. Do I want to be a CSP officer?
 2. Do I want to serve my nation?
 3. Does my father want me to be a CSP?
 4. Does rotationalization forgets easily? and Does it takes more time?
 5. Do logical base questions solve easily?

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Exercises for practice

Singular and plural nouns:

Some nouns have the singular and the plural alike. Some have no singular forms; likewise, some nouns have no plural forms. Test your understanding of singular and plural nouns with this grammar exercise. Fill in the blanks.

1. He weighs nine Stone
2. That car cost me five thousand dollars.
3. I bought three dozen oranges.
4. Pakistan won by an innings and three runs.
5. His means are small but he has no debt.
6. Vermin not only destroy our property but also carry disease.
7. The roof of the house needs repairs.
8. He has no respect and respects both for his parents.
9. Both countries have withdrawn their forces.
10. Why are you always putting on airs?
11. We must all stand up for the common good or goods.
12. The court has issued a Summon.

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A. Directions:

Identify the subjects in the following and choose the correct singular or plural - verb.

1. During recession, not even the Mumbai public has enough money to meet its needs.
2. The public are dispersing away from the monotonous show.
3. The majority wins what the minority loses.
4. The government has fallen after trust vote.
5. The government want to keep the plan to themselves.
6. Two deer were killed by the poachers.
7. The army has besieged the city and is poised to launch further attacks.
8. The police have arrived and are investigating the matter.
9. The issue remained unresolved as the committee were divided on the subject.
10. The scissors was there but the tailor could not see them as his spectacles was not on his nose.

3. **Directions:** Identify the subject whether it is singular or plural and then make a better choice of the given verbs.

1. Each of the candidates was awarded a certificate for participation.
2. Either of those dresses is suitable for the party.
3. Either the student or his parents have to be present at the function.
4. Everybody or anybody is able to answer these questions.
5. Neither of them is an expert of the subject.
6. The ones who are found guilty must be punished.
7. You or she has to be blamed for the accident.
8. They and I were present there last night.
9. Jessica is absent, but some students of her class are present.
10. No one knows what happens after death.

Subject and verb agreement Exercise.

Choose the correct form of the verb that agrees with the subject.

1. Annie and her brothers are at school.
2. The dog or the cats are outside.
3. George and Tamara don't want to

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- See that movie.
4. Benito doesn't know the answer.
 5. The man with all the birds lives on my street.
 6. The movie, including all the previews, takes about two hours to watch.
 7. The players, as well as the captain, want to win.
 8. Are the news on at five or six?
 9. Mathematics is John's favorite subject, while Civics is Andrea's favorite subject.
 10. Eight dollars is the price of a movie these days.
 11. Are the tweezers in this drawer?
 12. Your pants are at the cleaner's.
 13. There were fifteen candies in that bag. Now there is only one left!
 14. The ~~ro~~ Committee debates these questions carefully.
 15. The Committee members lead very different lives in private.
 16. The Prime Minister, together with his wife, greets the press cordially.
 17. All of the CDs, even the scratched one, are in this case.

Quotation Mark Exercise.

In the following sentences put in quotation marks where they are needed, and underline words where italics are needed.

1. "Mary is trying hard in school this semester," her father said.
2. No, the taxi driver said curtly, "I cannot get you to the airport in fifteen minutes."
3. "I believe," Jack remarked, "that the best time of year to visit Europe is in the spring." At least that's what I read in a book entitled Guide to Europe.
4. My French professor told me that my accent is abominable.
5. She asked, "Is Time a magazine you read regularly?"
6. When did Roosevelt say, "We have nothing to fear but fear itself"?
7. Yesterday, John said, "This afternoon I'll bring back your book Conflict in the Middle East;" however he did not return it.
8. "Can you believe," Dot asked me, "that it has been almost five years since we've seen each other?"
9. "Certainly," Mr. Martin said, "I shall explain the whole situation to him. I know that he will understand."

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Directions: use a Semi Colon in the appropriate place to combine the following independent clauses

- 1). I want to wear the red shirt; my favorite color is red.
- 2). Janie easily got an A on the test; she studies very hard.
- 3). The war is imminent; the armies are ready.

Directions: Fill in the missing colons

- 1). I gave you the spray bottles for one reason: to clean the windows.
- 2). You will need the following ingredients: milk, sugar, flour, and eggs.
- 3). My father ended every conversation the same way: "Don't give up."
- 4). I have invited the following people to my party: Kevin, Amy, and Keely.
- 5). There is only one way to make it to the top: hard work.
- 6). The soldier shouted the following before leaving to war: "We shall return victorious!"

ESS 2017.

Punctuate the following text, where necessary. (5).

A quaker was one day walking on a country road; He was suddenly met by a highwayman, pointing a pistol. The man exclaimed, "Your money or your life." "My friend," said the quaker, "I cannot deliver my money, for I should be helping thee in evil doing; however, exchange is lawful, and I will give thee my purse for the pistol." The robber agreed on receiving the purse; ~~the~~ the quaker at once held the pistol at the robbers head, and said, "Now friend my purse back or the weapon may go off." "Fire," said the robber; there is no powder in the pistol.

ESS 2018:

Use punctuation marks where needed in the following sentences: (5)

(i). There is a slavery—that no legislation can abolish; the slavery of caste.

(ii). All that I am; all that I hope to be; I owe to my ~~Angel~~ angel mother.

(iii). "Take away that bauble," said Cromwell, "pointing to the mace which lay upon the table."

(iv). There is only one cure for the evils —

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which newly acquired freedom produces — and that cure is freedom.

(V). "History," it has been said, "is the essence of innumerable biographies."

CSS 2019:

Punctuate the following text, where necessary. (5)

A hungry lion slipped out of the forest into a barnyard. One evening, when he ~~was~~ saw a plump donkey, his mouth began to water, but just as he was ready to jump on the donkey, a rooster crowed. He was frightened, and so turned away into the forest again. "Hey! look at that cowardly lion," the donkey brayed to the rooster. "I'm going to chase him." And the donkey

ran after the lion. "Wait!" the rooster shouted, "You don't know that...." But it was too late. The lion had turned and killed the donkey. "Ah! my poor stupid friends," the rooster said. As he watched the lion eating the donkey, "the lion wasn't afraid of you, but of my crowing."

CSS 2023.

Punctuate the following text, where necessary.

While taking a nap on the porch, one hot summer day Hodga dreamed that a stranger promised to give ~~to~~ him ten pieces of gold; The stranger placed them in Hodga's hand one by one; until he reached the tenth piece which he hesitated to give him; "Come on!" what are you waiting for," said Hodga. You promised me ten just, then he woke up; He immediately looked at his hand and saw that it was empty; He quickly shut his eyes again & stretched out his hand, - and said, "All right! I'll settle for nine."