

ENGLISH

SELECTING WORDS/PHRASES

Questions Asked In Previous Years' Exams (National Defence Academy And Naval Academy)

Directions : In the following passages at certain points, you are given a choice of three words/phrases, marked (a), (b), (c). Choose the best word/phrase out of the three. Read each passage carefully before you make your choices.

(I)

It hasn't worked ...(1)... that way. Indeed, the gaps between theory and reality are so numerous that they ...(2)... questions about how much, if at all, the theory will work in the future. Americans projected their own experience onto the rest of the world. If prosperity and material progress had created political cohesion at home—binding together a large and ...(3)... nation—it could do the same abroad. But this marriage between economics and politics may be losing its power. What seemed to be the ascendancy of American ideas camouflaged new problems and conflicts. The theory may have been ...(4)... suited to the cold war than its aftermath. The most ...(5)... problem, of course, involves the outbreak of terrorism.

1. (a) By (b) Out
(c) Off
2. (a) Raise (b) Arise
(c) Rise

3. (a) Ethically diverse
(b) Ethnically diverse
(c) Ethnically wide
4. (a) Better (b) Aptly
(c) Much
5. (a) Conspicuous
(b) Conscientious
(c) Conscious

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(II)

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister ...(6)... that every other Head of State of Government visiting India comes to his capital city. So the mandarins promoting tourism in his Government have decided to ...(7)... the welcome by switching on city lights. After the success of ...(8)... the city's iconic Charminar in different colours, a similar dynamic system now brightens up the Legislative Assembly building and the Saidanama Tomb facing the ...(9)... Hussainsagar Lake. The computerised lighting system throws up a ...(10)... sixteen million colour variations but only 150 are visible to the human eye.

6. (a) Assures (b) Ensures
(c) Insures
7. (a) Lie out (b) Lay out
(c) Spread out