


CLOZE COMPREHENSION



A **cloze test** is an exercise, test, or assessment consisting of a portion of language with certain items, words, or signs removed where the student is asked to replace the missing word.

Cloze tests require the ability to understand context and vocabulary in order to identify the correct language or part of speech that belongs in the deleted passages.

This exercise is commonly administered candidates appearing for government or insurance or bank jobs

The word cloze is derived from the word *closure*

Tips to handle Cloze test

- Read the passage thoroughly to get an idea of the passage
- Link the sentences together
- Type of word to fill in: Always put words based on grammar, prepositions, vocabulary etc
- Tone: Passage may contain some specific tone. So, always make a right choice of a word.
- Negate options: Sometimes, words are too close, eliminating wrong choices can help
- Key words: Pay close attention to key words/ clues in the sentences before and after the given blank

awarded funny deliberate honesty deserve
console convinced suggested achieve sad

One day my son called me after his exams. I could make out from his voice that he was (1) _____. "The exam did not go so well. It was not that know but I made a careless mistake." I tried to (2) _____ him saying, "Don't worry, you will do better next time." He was not pleased to hear my words. "You don't realise how competitive it is here and how difficult It is to (3) _____ anything."

A few later I got another call from him. "A (4) _____ thing happened", he said. "When I got my paper I saw that I had (5) _____ marks for the question I had answered incorrectly. My friends (6) _____ me to keep quiet as the Professor must have made a mistake. But you taught me the value of honesty so I emailed him saying I did not (7) _____ the marks." His reply was more surprising. "It was (8) _____," he said. "My interaction with you throughout the year (9) _____ me that you knew how to solve the problem. That is the reason I gave you those marks." I was happier about my son's (10) _____ than his marks.

According to a report in yesterday's newspaper 1. _____ police dog was taken to Raj Bhavan 2. _____ Monday. This was to trace the 3. _____ of the "very important horse" which 4. _____ reported missing on Sunday. The dog picked 5. _____ the scent on some traces of 6. _____ and ran a few yards before losing the 7. _____. The police have launched a vigorous 8. _____ into the whole affair. They have 9. _____ the services of a forensic expert, 10. _____ fingerprint expert and a photographer. 11. _____ are now fourteen horses at Raj Bhavan 12. _____ are kept in a large shed near the gate..

1.

- a) once
- b) a
- c) new

2.

- a) at
- b) next
- c) on

3.

- a) killers
- b) dogs
- c) police

4.

- a) has
- b) were
- c) was

5.

- a) on
- b) at
- c) up

6.

- a) those
- b) blood
- c) Report

7.

- a) bet
- b) track
- c) Game

8.

- a) search
- b) investigation
- c) campaign

9.

- a) given up
- b) requisitioned
- c) report

10.

- a) a
- b) an
- c) two

11.

- a) There
- b) We
- c) So

12.

- a) who
- b) were
- c) **which**