

# CUET 2023 English Solution June 7 Shift 1

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**Ques 1. The mood of the poem is:**

- (1) Sombre and heavy
- (2) Cheerful
- (3) Celebratory
- (4) Sad and dark

**Solu.** The mood of the poem seems to be (4) Sad and dark. The imagery of the stranger arriving at the door seeking shelter, the mention of autumn and winter, the bridegroom's uncertainty about the future, and the underlying sense of unease and longing all contribute to a melancholic atmosphere.

**Ques 2. The poem ends with the bridegroom:**

- (1) Welcoming the stranger into the house
- (2) Reflecting on his decision
- (3) Celebrating the marriage with his bride
- (4) Praying for the stranger

**Options:**

- 54025056205. 1
- 54025056206. 2
- 54025056207.3
- 54025056208.4

**Solu.** The poem ends with the bridegroom reflecting on his decision. So, the correct option is (2).

**Ques 3. The line, "He asked with the eyes more than the lips", means the eyes were**

- (1) Inquisitive
- (2) Pleading

- (3) Sparkling
- (4) Lonely

**Options:**

- 54025056209. 1
- 54025056210. 2
- 54025056211. 3
- 54025056212. 4

**Solu.** The line "He asked with the eyes more than the lips" suggests that the eyes were pleading. So, the correct option is (2).

**Ques 4. The phrase 'weary road' is an example of:**

- (1) Simile
- (2) Personification
- (3) Metaphor
- (4) Transferred epithet

**Options:**

- 54025056213.1
- 54025056214.2
- 54025056215.3
- 54025056216.4

**Solu.** The phrase "weary road" is an example of (4) Transferred epithet. It's the road that is not literally weary, but rather it's describing the feeling of weariness associated with traveling on that road.

**Ques 5. Match List I with List - II.**

**List - I**

**(Aspects in poem)**

**(A) Contrast between the warm house and cold outside**

**List - II**

**(Stanzas)**

**(1) Stanza II**

**(B) Ethical dilemma of the bridegroom**

(II) Stanza III

(C) Eerie atmosphere due to dark night and harsh weather

(III) Stanza 1

(D) The stranger's mental state

(IV) Stanza IV

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

(1) (A)-(III), (B)-(II), (C)-(I), (D)-(IV)

(2) (A)-(II), (B)-(IV), (C)-(I), (D)-(III)

(3) (A)-(III), (B)-(IV), (C)-(1), (D)-(II)

(4) (A)-(II), (B)-(I), (C)-(IV), (D)-(III)

**Solu.** Based on the aspects in the poem and the stanzas where they are discussed:

(A) Contrast between the warm house and cold outside - (II) Stanza III

(B) Ethical dilemma of the bridegroom - (IV) Stanza IV

(C) Eerie atmosphere due to dark night and harsh weather - (I) Stanza I

(D) The stranger's mental state - (III) Stanza II

So, the correct matching is:

(2) (A)-(II), (B)-(IV), (C)-(I), (D)-(III)

**Ques 6.** Read the following passage given below and answer the question.

**We humans walk with two legs (called 'bipedal') and use two hands.**

**The evolution of bipedalism began in our ancestors, the primates, about 4 million years ago. The primates not only gave us our blood groups, but our two feet and two hands as well. Primates exhibit characteristics that distinguish them from less evolved mammals.**

**These include adaptations to live in trees (as monkeys do), big brains, heightened sense of vision, opposable thumbs to grasp the four fingers in each hand, and more flexibility in shoulder movements.**

**Dr. Tetsuro Matsuzawa of the Kyoto University, Japan, writes that the shared ancestor primates moved into tree tops and developed four hands from the four legs possessed by the terrestrial ancestor. This**

was an adaptation to arboreal life; enabling the efficient grasping of branches and tree-trunks. Subsequently, early human ancestors left the trees to start walking long distances across the land, bipedally. Thus, we created two feet from four hands during the course of evolution from our primate ancestors.

The anthropologist Carol Ward of the University of Missouri, US points out that the way we humans get around the world is different from any other animal on earth. We move around on the ground, upright on two feet, but in a unique way: with one foot after the other; holding our body fully upright in a characteristic series of motions. So, it's a big deal to figure out how and why we walk the way we do, and how our lineage really diverged so much from ape like creatures. The human brain is about three times as big as the brain of our closest living relative, the chimpanzee. Moreover, a part of our brain, called the cerebral cortex which plays a key role in memory, attention, awareness and thought contains twice as many cells as the same region in chimpanzees. We are, thus, smarter than apes.

As per the passage, which of the following does not make the primates different from their ancestors:

- (1) Taste buds
- (2) Bipedalism
- (3) Flexible shoulder movements
- (4) Bigger brains

**Solu.** According to the passage, the characteristic that does not make primates different from their ancestors is (2) Bipedalism. The passage states that bipedalism began in our ancestors, the primates, about 4 million years ago, suggesting that bipedalism is indeed a trait that distinguishes primates from their ancestors. Therefore, the correct answer is (2) Bipedalism.

**Ques 7.** The word 'arboreal' means:

- (1) crawling movement
- (2) related to water and trees
- (3) relating to trees

**(4) tendency to jump**

**Solu.** The word "arboreal" refers to (3) relating to trees. It describes something that is associated with or characteristic of trees.

**Ques 8. 'Subsequently' means the same as:**

- (1) As opposed to**
- (2) As a consequence of**
- (3) Afterwards**
- (4) Without any significance**

**Solu.** The word "subsequently" means (3) Afterwards. It indicates that something happens or is done afterward in time or order.

**Ques 9. Which options don't correctly explain why humans are smarter than apes. (as per the passage)**

- (A) Apes have a bigger brain size.**
- (B) Humans have a better memory.**
- (C) Humans can walk with only 2 legs.**
- (D) Human's ability to process thoughts is more.**
- (E) Apes can climb trees.**

**Choose the correct answer from the options given below :**

- (1) (A) and (E) Only**
- (2) (A) and (C) Only**
- (3) (A), (C) and (E) Only**
- (4) (C) and (E) Only**

**Solu.** According to the passage, the correct option is (1) (A) and (E) Only.

**Explanation:**

**(A) Apes have a bigger brain size:** The passage mentions that the human brain is about three times as big as the brain of our closest living relative, the chimpanzee. Therefore, it's incorrect to say that apes have a bigger brain size compared to humans.

(E) Apes can climb trees: While it's true that apes can climb trees, this ability is not directly related to intelligence as discussed in the passage. Therefore, this option doesn't correctly explain why humans are smarter than apes.

**Ques 10. Which of the following words means the same as 'diverge'?**

- (1) Intersect**
- (2) Separate**
- (3) Divulge**
- (4) Synchronize**

**Solu.** The word that means the same as "diverge" is (2) Separate. "Diverge" means to move or extend in different directions from a common point, which is similar in meaning to "separate," indicating a splitting or branching apart.

**Read the following passage given below and answer the question.**

**Off to the right we hear the distinct 'bleep-bleep' - the alarm call of the chital, or spotted deer, announcing the presence of a predator. Kuttapan and Gautam go off to investigate and we begin to drive around to intercept them on the other side of the forest. Not ten metres down the road, we hear a loud 'varoom' the call of the tiger and we slide to a halt on the dusty road. Walking directly towards us at a distance of 100 metres is a large male tiger. It is one of the three-year-old males known to share this territory with his brother. The tiger continued his casual stroll directly towards us. When the tiger is about 50 metres past us, our reverie is broken by a commotion in the forest across the road. Anil, our guide, whispers loudly, 'Wolves!' There, propped up like little statues in a clearing in the forest, are two Indian grey wolves. Rigid, alert, clearly in a state of alarm and agitation, they begin yelping at the tiger. The tiger spins around on the road and charges off into the forest after them. This time the tiger turns round and glowers at the wolf, probably assessing the distance between them and the speed it would take to catch the wolf. The muscles of the tiger begin to twitch and off goes**

the wolf into the forest again. Finally, after one more of these encounters, the tiger moves some distance away and the wolf disappears into the forest for one last time. We can only assume that the aggressive and bold behaviour of the wolf meant he was protecting some cubs and wanted to be sure the tiger was driven out of his territory. The tiger, now left in peace, continues his stroll.

**Ques 11. Whose presence is announced in the beginning?**

- (1) Chital
- (2) Tiger
- (3) Kuttapan
- (4) Gautam

**Solu.** The presence announced in the beginning of the passage is that of the (1) Chital. It says, "Off to the right we hear the distinct 'bleep-bleep' - the alarm call of the chital, or spotted deer, announcing the presence of a predator." This indicates that the chital is alerting others to the presence of a predator.

**Ques 12. The above passage describes an encounter between**

- (1) the tiger and hunters
- (2) the wolves and the hunters
- (3) the tiger and the wolves
- (4) wolf and its cubs

**Solu.** The passage describes an encounter between (3) the tiger and the wolves. It details how the wolves reacted with alarm and agitation upon spotting the tiger, and then how the tiger charged at the wolves after being provoked by their yelping.

**Ques 13. Choose the correct statement with reference to the passage.**

- (1) The narrator is on a hunting trip.
- (2) The narrator is walking along with others in the forest.
- (3) The narrator is out on a safari.
- (4) The narrator is scared of the wolves.

**Solu.** The correct statement with reference to the passage is (3) The narrator is out on a safari. The passage describes the narrator and others driving around in a vehicle to intercept wildlife sightings, indicating that they are on a safari rather than a hunting trip.

**Ques 14. The whispering of the guide indicates the presence of**

- (1) tigers
- (2) wolves
- (3) hunters
- (4) cubs

**Solu.** The whispering of the guide indicates the presence of (2) wolves. The passage states, "Anil, our guide, whispers loudly, 'Wolves!'" This suggests that the guide is alerting the others to the presence of wolves in the forest.

**Ques 15. Find out a word from the above passage which means 'day-dreaming'.**

- (1) stroll
- (2) predator
- (3) reverie
- (4) agitation

**Solu.** The word from the passage that means 'day-dreaming' is (3) reverie. In the sentence, "When the tiger is about 50 metres past us, our reverie is broken by a commotion in the forest across the road," "reverie" refers to a state of being lost in thought or daydreaming, often in a pleasant or dreamy way.

**Ques 16. Change the following sentence into passive voice.**

I know him.

- (1) He is known to me.
- (2) He is known by me.
- (3) He is known with me.



**(4) He is known near me.**

**Solu.** The correct passive voice transformation of the sentence "I know him" is:

(1) He is known to me.

**Ques 17. Change the following sentence from active to passive voice:  
Careless driving causes many accidents.**

**(1) Many accidents is caused by careless driving.**

**(2) Many accidents are caused by careless driving.**

**(3) Many accidents causes careless driving.**

**(4) Many accidents are causes by careless driving**

**Solu.** The correct passive voice transformation of the sentence "Careless driving causes many accidents" is:

(2) Many accidents are caused by careless driving.

**Ques 18. Change the following sentence from active to passive voice:  
Careless driving causes many accidents.**

**(1) Many accidents is caused by careless driving.**

**(2) Many accidents are caused by careless driving.**

**(3) Many accidents causes careless driving.**

**(4) Many accidents are causes by careless driving.**

**Solu.** The correct passive voice transformation of the sentence "Careless driving causes many accidents" is:

(2) Many accidents are caused by careless driving.

**Ques 19. Choose the option which best expresses the given sentence in indirect speech: I said to Bob, "Can you complete this work by tomorrow?"**

**(1) I asked Bob whether he could complete this work by the next day?**

**(2) I asked Bob whether he could complete this work by tomorrow.**

**(3) I asked Bob whether he could complete that work by the next day.**

**(4) I asked Bob whether he could complete that work by the next day?**

**Solu.** The option that best expresses the given sentence in indirect speech is:

(2) I asked Bob whether he could complete this work by tomorrow.

**Ques 20. Rearrange the jumbled sentences into a paragraph:**

- (A) One of the oldest mythical creature is the Unicorn**
- (B) and single horn growing from the centre of its forehead**
- (C) The body of deer, tail of an ox, horses hooves**
- (D) It has been in Chinese folklore for thousands of years**
- (E) It's most familiar form is a beast with**

**Choose the correct answer from the options given below:**

- (1) (A), (B), (C), (E), (D)**
- (2) (A), (D), (E), (C), (B)**
- (3) (A), (E), (C), (B), (D)**
- (4) (A), (D), (C), (B), (E)**

**Solu.**

The correct rearrangement of the jumbled sentences into a paragraph is:

(3) (A), (E), (C), (B), (D)

The paragraph reads:

- (A) One of the oldest mythical creature is the Unicorn
- (E) It's most familiar form is a beast with
- (C) The body of deer, tail of an ox, horses hooves
- (B) and single horn growing from the centre of its forehead
- (D) It has been in Chinese folklore for thousands of years

**Ques 21. Rewrite the following in the correct order:**

- (A) they think their audience most want to visit**
- (B) as appealing a way as possible**
- (C) are likely to choose as their setting the location**
- (D) the creators of a holiday advertisement**
- (E) the setting is then presented in**

**Choose the correct answer from the options given below:**

- (1) (C), (A), (B), (E), (D)
- (2) (D), (C), (A), (E), (B)
- (3) (A), (B), (E), (D), (C)
- (4) (B), (E), (C), (D), (A)

**Solu.** The correct rearrangement of the jumbled sentences into a paragraph is:

- (3) (A), (E), (C), (B), (D)

The paragraph reads:

- (A) One of the oldest mythical creature is the Unicorn
- (E) It's most familiar form is a beast with
- (C) The body of deer, tail of an ox, horses hooves
- (B) and single horn growing from the centre of its forehead
- (D) It has been in Chinese folklore for thousands of years

**Ques 22. Pick out the correct meaning of the following word: au revoir**

- (1) before we met
- (2) until we meet again
- (3) never met
- (4) unrecognised

**Solu.** The correct meaning of the word "au revoir" is:

- (2) until we meet again

It is a French phrase used to say goodbye, implying that you will see the person again.

**Ques 24. Which of the following is closest in meaning to 'penitent'.**

- (1) remorseful
- (2) unabashed
- (3) patient
- (4) unadulterated

**Solu.** The word "penitent" typically means feeling or expressing sorrow for one's sins or shortcomings. The option that is closest in meaning to "penitent" is:  
(1) remorseful

**Ques 26.** Choose the sentences that have the correct articles.

(A) Mrs. Rawat's daughter is an university student.

(B) Shyam has a one-year old daughter.

(C) She will soon be married to an heir to the throne.

(D) I want to travel to an European city.

(E) They have an MP residing in their neighbourhood.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

(1) (A), (C) and (D) Only

(2) (B), (C), (D) and (E) Only

(3) (B), (C) and (E) Only

(4) (A), (B) and (C) Only

**Solu.** The sentences that have the correct articles are:

(C) She will soon be married to an heir to the throne.

(D) I want to travel to a European city.

(E) They have an MP residing in their neighbourhood.

So, the correct answer is:

(2) (B), (C), (D) and (E) Only

**Ques 27.** \_\_\_\_\_ gift was promised to Neelam for her outstanding performance.

(1) A

(2) The

(3) An

(4) Many

**Solu.** The correct choice to fill in the blank is:

(2) The

The sentence would read: "The gift was promised to Neelam for her outstanding performance." This indicates a specific gift that was promised to Neelam.

**Ques 28. Choose the correct option for the transformation of the given sentence into an exclamatory sentence:**

**He met with an accident and died.**

- (1) Oh! He met with an accident and died.**
- (2) Alas! He met with an accident and died.**
- (3) Alas! What a terrible accident he met with.**
- (4) Ohho, What a terrible accident!**

**Solu.** The correct option for the transformation of the given sentence into an exclamatory sentence is:

- (2) Alas! He met with an accident and died.**

This option adds an exclamation to express sorrow or regret over the unfortunate event.

**Ques 29. Choose the correct option for the transformation of the given sentence into an exclamatory sentence:**

**She is a wonderful woman.**

- (1) What a wonderful woman she is!**
- (2) Oh! She is wonderful.**
- (3) Hurrah! She is a wonderful woman.**
- (4) What! A wonderful woman she is.**

**Solu.** The correct option for the transformation of the given sentence into an exclamatory sentence is:

- (1) What a wonderful woman she is!**

This option expresses admiration or amazement about the woman, making it an exclamatory sentence.

**Ques 30. Choose the correct option to complete the sentence:  
I assure you that I will cook for you \_\_\_\_\_ we reach our home.**

- (1) before
- (2) as soon as
- (3) while
- (4) on

**Solu.** The correct option to complete the sentence is:

- (2) as soon as

The complete sentence would be: "I assure you that I will cook for you as soon as we reach our home." This option indicates that cooking will occur immediately after reaching home.

**Ques 31. Choose the sentences with the correct use of prepositions in the following options.**

- (A) A few of the glaciers are expected to vanish by 2050.
- (B) They never turned up their proposal.
- (C) It was the last report filed by the company in last month.
- (D) I am indebted for you regarding help.

**Choose the correct answer from the options given below:**

- (1) (A) and (B) Only
- (2) (A) Only
- (3) (B) and (C) Only
- (4) (B) and (D) Only

**Solu.** The sentences with the correct use of prepositions are:

- (A) A few of the glaciers are expected to vanish by 2050.
- (B) They never turned up their proposal.

So, the correct answer is:

- (1) (A) and (B) Only

**Ques 32. Use the appropriate word from the options to fill up the blank.**

**"I hardly take his help."**

- (1) Could**
- (2) Ought**
- (3) Might**
- (4) Should**

**Solu.** The appropriate word to fill the blank is:

- (4) Should**

The sentence would be: "I hardly take his help." This implies that the speaker doesn't take his help as often as they should or are expected to.

**Ques 33. Which of the following sentences have modal verbs?**

- (A) Rohit comes to the class regularly.**
- (B) Meenal sits to sing every morning.**
- (C) We must respect our parents.**
- (D) Mohan will visit the doctor after work.**
- (E) Maghna's visit to the institute was fruitless.**

**Choose the correct answer from the options given below:**

- (1) (A) and (D) Only**
- (2) (D) and (E) Only**
- (3) (A) and (C) Only**
- (4) (C) and (D) Only**

**Solu.** The sentences that have modal verbs are:

- (C) We must respect our parents. (Modal verb: must)**
- (D) Mohan will visit the doctor after work. (Modal verb: will)**

So, the correct answer is:

- (1) (A) and (D) Only**

**Ques 34. Choose the correct option given below for the format of writing an informal letter:**

- (A) date and salutation**
- (B) sender's address**

- (C) signing off
- (D) body of the letter
- (E) signature of the sender

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (1) (B), (E), (A), (C), (D)
- (2) (B), (A), (D), (C), (E)
- (3) (A), (B), (C), (D), (E)
- (4) (D), (A), (B), (C), (E)

**Solu.** The correct format for writing an informal letter is typically as follows:

- (B) sender's address
- (A) date and salutation
- (D) body of the letter
- (C) signing off
- (E) signature of the sender

So, the correct answer is:

- (2) (B), (A), (D), (C), (E)

**Ques 35.** When you are writing a formal letter to a company, what information do you include:

- (1) Your address
- (2) Your date of birth
- (3) Both your address and the Company's address
- (4) None of these

**Solu.** When writing a formal letter to a company, you typically include:

- (3) Both your address and the Company's address

Including both addresses ensures that the letter reaches the intended recipient and provides a formal structure to the communication.

**Ques 36.** Choose the correct version of the given sentence from the options below: The committee told me that they have already been processed the file.

- (1) The committee told me that they has already processed the file.
- (2) The committee told me that they had already processed the file.



- (3) The committee told me that they had been processed the file.
- (4) The committee told me that they have process the file.

**Solu.** The correct version of the given sentence is:

- (2) The committee told me that they had already processed the file.

This option correctly uses the past perfect tense ("had already processed") to indicate an action that occurred before the time of reporting.

**Ques 37. Complete the sentence by choosing the correct option:  
The company wants the staff to be \_\_\_\_\_ about the contract until everything is finalized.**

- (1) discrete
- (2) discreet
- (3) discrit
- (4) deceived

**Solu.** The correct option to complete the sentence is:

- (2) discreet

The sentence would then be: "The company wants the staff to be discreet about the contract until everything is finalized." "Discreet" means careful and circumspect in one's speech or actions in order to avoid causing offense or to gain an advantage.

**Ques 40. Choose the suitable Homophone from the given option for the word 'Flour'**

- (1) Hour
- (2) Out
- (3) Power
- (4) Flower

**Solu.** The suitable homophone for the word "Flour" is:

- (4) Flower

"Flour" refers to the finely ground powder made from grain, typically wheat, used for baking. "Flower" refers to the reproductive structure found in flowering plants.

**Ques 43. Choose the option that conveys the Opposite of the word 'congenial':**

- (1) Condense
- (2) Agreeable
- (3) Unsympathetic
- (4) Superimpose

**Solu.** The opposite of the word "congenial" is:

- (3) Unsympathetic

"Congenial" means pleasant or friendly, so its opposite would be something unpleasant or unfriendly.

**Ques 44. Find out the adverb from the given sentence and tick the correct option given below:**

**I go to church daily and rarely fail to reach office on time.**

- (1) daily, rarely
- (2) daily, on time
- (3) rarely, go
- (4) rarely, fail

**Solu.** The adverbs in the given sentence are "daily" and "rarely."

So, the correct option is:

- (1) daily, rarely

**Ques 45. Choose the correct option to fill in the blank:**

**It was nothing else \_\_\_\_\_ the passion to do something great in life.**

- (1) than
- (2) but
- (3) more
- (4) towards

**Solu.** The correct option to fill in the blank is:

(1) than

The complete sentence would be: "It was nothing else than the passion to do something great in life." This construction indicates that the passion to do something great in life was the only thing present.

**Ques 46. Complete the following sentence by using a question tag:  
I am older to you**

(1) aren't you?

(2) aren't we?

(3) aren't I?

(4) can't I?

**Solu.** The correct question tag to complete the sentence is:

(1) aren't you?

The complete sentence with the question tag would be: "I am older to you, aren't you?" This tag is appropriate because it reflects the inversion of the subject and auxiliary verb in the main clause.

**Ques 47. Choose the correct option to complete the sentence:**

**None of the boys \_\_\_\_\_ attended the party.**

(1) had not

(2) has

(3) have

(4) are

**Solu.** The correct option to complete the sentence is:

(3) have

The complete sentence would be: "None of the boys attended the party." Since "none" is a singular pronoun indicating "not one" or "not any," it is followed by a singular verb form, which is "have" in this case.

**Ques 50. Pick the sentences with an Adjective Clause.**

- (A) I don't know whose books are kept here.
- (B) I am glad that he won the match.
- (C) I missed the flight as I was late.
- (D) I know the place where they will come.
- (E) I remember the day when we met for the first time.

**Choose the correct answer from the options given below:**

- (1) (A) and (B) Only
- (2) (B) and (C) Only
- (3) (C) and (D) Only
- (4) (D) and (E) Only

**Solu.** The sentences with an Adjective Clause are:

- (A) I don't know whose books are kept here.
- (D) I know the place where they will come.
- (E) I remember the day when we met for the first time.

So, the correct answer is:

- (1) (A) and (B) Only