

CUET 2026 English June 6 Shift 1

Question Paper (Memory-Based)

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General Instructions

- (i) The examination will be conducted in Computer-Based Test (CBT) mode.
- (ii) Each question carries +5 marks for correct answer and -1 mark for wrong answer.
- (iii) The total number of questions are 50.
- (iv) Duration of the exam is 1 hour (60 minutes).

1. Choose the word that is closest in meaning to *calumny*.

- (A) Praise
 - (B) Slander
 - (C) Sympathy
 - (D) Loyalty
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2. Choose the word that is closest in meaning to *conscientious*.

- (A) Careless
 - (B) Diligent
 - (C) Reckless
 - (D) Impulsive
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3. Choose the word that is closest in meaning to *redress*.

- (A) Remedy
 - (B) Ignore
 - (C) Delay
 - (D) Complicate
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4. Choose the word that is opposite in meaning to *frugal*.

- (A) Economical
 - (B) Thrifty
 - (C) Extravagant
 - (D) Moderate
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5. Choose the word that is closest in meaning to *taciturn*.

- (A) Talkative
 - (B) Silent
 - (C) Cheerful
 - (D) Friendly
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6. Choose the word that is closest in meaning to *zest*.

- (A) Apathy
 - (B) Fatigue
 - (C) Enthusiasm
 - (D) Anxiety
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7. What is the meaning of the idiom "hand in glove"?

- (A) Working closely with someone
 - (B) Losing an opportunity
 - (C) Avoiding responsibility
 - (D) Acting independently
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8. What is the meaning of the idiom "greasing someone's palm"?

- (A) Offering help
 - (B) Giving a bribe
 - (C) Showing respect
 - (D) Making a promise
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9. What is the meaning of the idiom "leave in the lurch"?

- (A) To support someone
 - (B) To reward someone
 - (C) To abandon someone in difficulty
 - (D) To guide someone
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10. Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

Despite being very wealthy, she remained ____ and avoided unnecessary expenses.

- (A) Taciturn
 - (B) Frugal
 - (C) Conscientious
 - (D) Zealous
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