

CUET 2026 English May 22 Shift 2

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. "Recalcitrant" means:

- (A) Obedient
 - (B) Stubborn
 - (C) Resistant
 - (D) Defiant
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2. "Make up" means:

- (A) Invent a story
 - (B) Reconcile
 - (C) Apply cosmetics
 - (D) Break friendship
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3. Identify the nouns.

- (A) Progeny
 - (B) Entrepreneur
 - (C) Mischievous
 - (D) Furtherance
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4. Fill in the blanks with suitable words:

- A. The teacher asked the students to _____ attention in class.
- B. She was _____ with joy after hearing the result.
- C. His remarks were completely _____ and offensive.
- D. The scientist made a remarkable _____ in medicine.

- (A) A - pay, B - elated, C - inappropriate, D - breakthrough
 - (B) A - elated, B - pay, C - breakthrough, D - inappropriate
 - (C) A - inappropriate, B - breakthrough, C - pay, D - elated
 - (D) A - breakthrough, B - inappropriate, C - elated, D - pay
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5. Match the figures of speech:

Column A	Column B
A. Simile	1. Repetition of consonant sounds
B. Metaphor	2. Direct comparison
C. Alliteration	3. Human qualities to objects
D. Personification	4. Implied comparison

- (A) A-2, B-4, C-1, D-3
 - (B) A-1, B-2, C-3, D-4
 - (C) A-4, B-3, C-2, D-1
 - (D) A-3, B-1, C-4, D-2
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6. Identify the correctly spelt word from the options given below:

- (A) Innocuos
 - (B) Innoccuous
 - (C) Innocuous
 - (D) Innocous
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7. Fill in the blanks with suitable vocabulary words:

- A. The _____ child refused to obey anyone.
- B. The king sought wise _____ from his ministers.
- C. The explorer made a great _____ in science.
- D. Her speech created a strong _____ on the audience.

- (A) A - recalcitrant, B - counsel, C - breakthrough, D - impression
 - (B) A - counsel, B - recalcitrant, C - impression, D - breakthrough
 - (C) A - breakthrough, B - impression, C - recalcitrant, D - counsel
 - (D) A - impression, B - breakthrough, C - counsel, D - recalcitrant
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8. Fill in the blanks with correct prepositions:

- A. She is fond _____ music.
- B. He apologized _____ his mistake.
- C. The train arrived _____ time.
- D. They were divided _____ two groups.

- (A) A - of, B - for, C - on, D - into
 - (B) A - for, B - of, C - into, D - on
 - (C) A - on, B - into, C - of, D - for
 - (D) A - into, B - on, C - for, D - of
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9. Match the grammar terms:

Column A	Column B
A. Noun	1. Describes noun
B. Verb	2. Action word
C. Adjective	3. Naming word
D. Adverb	4. Describes verb

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

10. Choose the option that contains the correctly spelt word:

- (A) Accomodation
(B) Acommodation
(C) Accommodation
(D) Accommodation
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