

SSC CGL English PYQ (Topic-wise) – With Year**◆ 1. Error Detection (Grammar) – PYQs**

1. *He is one of the students who **has** completed the project.*

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✓ **Answer:** has → have

(Relative clause agrees with “students”)

2. *Neither of the two answers **are** correct.*

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✓ **Answer:** are → is

3. *She prefers tea **than** coffee.*

✖ **SSC CGL 2016**

✓ **Answer:** than → to

4. *The teacher along with his students **were** present.*

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✓ **Answer:** were → was

5. *He did not **knew** the answer.*

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✓ **Answer:** knew → know

◆ 2. Fill in the Blanks – PYQs

6. He is not only intelligent ___ also hardworking.

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A) but B) and C) also D) than

✓ **Answer:** A (but)

7. She insisted ___ paying the bill.

✖ **SSC CGL 2017**

A) in B) on C) at D) for

✓ **Answer:** B (on)

8. The match was called off ___ rain.

✖ **SSC CGL 2016**

A) because B) due to C) since D) for

✓ **Answer:** B (due to)

◆ 3. Synonyms – PYQs

9. Synonym of “**Abundant**”

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A) Scarce B) Plenty C) Rare D) Little

Answer: B (Plenty)

10. Synonym of “**Hostile**”

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A) Friendly B) Aggressive C) Calm D) Polite

Answer: B (Aggressive)

◆ **4. Antonyms – PYQs**

11. Antonym of “**Transparent**”

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A) Clear B) Obvious C) Opaque D) Bright

Answer: C (Opaque)

12. Antonym of “**Expand**”

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A) Increase B) Grow C) Contract D) Spread

Answer: C (Contract)

◆ **5. One Word Substitution – PYQs**

13. A person who speaks many languages

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A) Linguist B) Polyglot C) Grammarian D) Orator

Answer: B (Polyglot)

14. A place where books are kept

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A) Archive B) Library C) Repository D) Store

Answer: B (Library)

◆ **6. Idioms & Phrases – PYQs**

15. *To hit the nail on the head*

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A) To miss the point
B) To be accurate
C) To hurt someone
D) To argue

Answer: B (To be accurate)

16. *At sixes and sevens*

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A) In confusion
B) In order

C) In peace
D) In danger
 Answer: A (In confusion)

◆ **7. Active–Passive Voice – PYQs**

17. *The police arrested the thief.* (Passive)

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A) The thief was arrested by the police.
B) The thief is arrested by police.
C) The thief had arrested police.
D) The thief arrested police.

Answer: A

◆ **8. Direct–Indirect Speech – PYQs**

18. He said, “I am tired.” (Indirect)

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A) He said that he was tired.
B) He said that I am tired.
C) He says that he was tired.
D) He said that he is tired.

Answer: A

◆ **9. Sentence Improvement – PYQs**

19. *She did not hardly try to solve the problem.*

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A) did not try hard
B) hardly did not try
C) did not tried hard
D) No improvement

Answer: A

◆ **10. Reading Comprehension – PYQs**

20. RC-based question on main idea of passage

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Answer: Based on passage (theme-focused question)

 **How to Use These SSC CGL English PYQs Smartly**

- Practice **topic-wise**, not randomly

- Note **repeated grammar rules**
- Revise **synonyms/antonyms daily**
- Re-attempt wrong PYQs after 3 days
- Mix PYQs with mock tests

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