Alphabet Test

In this type of questions, certain words will be given. The candidate is required to put them in the order in which they would be arranged in a dictionary and then state the word which is placed in the desired place. For such questions, the candidate requires a basic knowledge of the ‘Dictionary Usage’. In a dictionary, the words are put in alphabetical order. The words beginning with a particular letter are again arranged in alphabetical order with respect to the second letter of the word and so on.

Eg. 1. Arrange the given words in alphabetical order and pick the one that comes first.
(1) Cloud (2) Middle (3) Grunt
(4) Mob (5) Chain
These words can be properly arranged as Chain, Cloud, Grunt, Middle, Mob. Clearly the first word is Chain. Hence the answer is (5)

Eg. 2. In the word ‘PARADISE’, how many pairs of letters are there which have as many letters between them in the word as in the alphabet.
(1) One (2) Three (3) Four
(4) Two (5) None
Such pairs are PRAE and AD. So the answer is (2).

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1. Arrange the given words in alphabetical order and pick the one that comes last
(1) Abandon (2) Actuate (3) Accumulate
(4) Acquit (5) Achieve

2. Arrange the words in alphabetical order and pick the one that comes second.
(1) Explosion (2) Emergency (3) Ecstasy
(4) Eager (5) Entomology

3. Arrange the words in the alphabetical order and pick the one that comes second last
(1) Brook (2) Bandit (3) Boisterous
(4) Baffle (5) Bright

Directions (Qs. 4 - 7): Arrange the given words in alphabetical order and choose the one that comes first.
4. (1) Nature (2) Native (3) Narrate
   (4) Nascent (5) Naughty
5. (1) Guarantee (2) Group (3) Grotesque
   (4) Guard (5) Groan
6. (1) Science (2) Scrutiny (3) Scripture
   (4) Scramble (5) Script
7. (1) Slander (2) Skeleton (3) Stimulate
   (4) Similar (5) Summary

Directions (Qs. 8 -11): Arrange the given words in the alphabetical order and pick the one that comes in the middle.
8. (1) Radical (2) Radiate (3) Racket
   (4) Radius (5) Radar
9. (1) Alive (2) Afforest (3) Anticipate
   (4) Appreciate (5) Achieve
10. (1) Parasite (2) Party (3) Petal
    (4) Paste (5) Prick

11. (1) Signature (2) Significance (3) Sight
    (4) Sigh (5) Sieve

12. How many pairs of letters are there in the word ‘HORIZON’ which have as many letters between them in the word as in the English alphabet?
(1) One (2) Two (3) Three
(4) More than 3 (5) None of these

13. If the first and the third letters in the word NECESARY were interchanged, also the fourth and the sixth letters, and the seventh and the ninth letters, which of the following would be the 7th letter from the left?
(1) A (2) Y (3) R (4) E (5) S

14. If it is possible to make a meaningful word with the second, the sixth, the ninth and the twelfth letters of the word ‘CONTRIBUTION’, which of the following will be the last letter of that word? If more than one such words can be made give M as the answer and if no such word is there, give X as the answer.
(1) T (2) O (3) N (4) M (5) X

Directions (Qs. 15-20): Each of the following questions is based on the following alphabet series
A B C D E F G H I J K L M
N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

15. Which letter is sixteenth to the right of the letter which is fourth to the left of I?
(1) S (2) T (3) U (4) V (5) None of these

16. Which letter is the seventh to the right of the letter which is fourth to the left of I?
(1) S (2) T (3) U (4) V (5) None of these
17. If the first half of the alphabet was written in the reverse order, which letter would be the nineteenth from your right?
(1) H  (2) F  (3) D  (4) E  (5) None of these
18. Which letter will be sixth to the right of the eleventh letter from the right end of the alphabet?
(1) K  (2) V  (3) J  (4) U  (5) None of these
19. If the above letters were in the reverse order, which will be the fifth letter to the ninth letter from the right?
(1) P  (2) N  (3) D  (4) W  (5) None of these
20. Which letter will be midway between the fifteenth letter from the left and eighteenth letter from the right end?
(1) H  (2) K  (3) G  (4) L  (5) None of these

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1. (2)  2. (3)  3. (5)  4. (3)  5. (5)  6. (1)  7. (4)  8. (2)  9. (1)  10. (4)

Explanatory Answers:

12. (4) Such letter pairs are RO, ON, RN and HN
13. (2) The new letter sequence is CENSSEYRA. So from the left 7th letter is Y.
14. (2) The second, sixth, ninth and twelfth letters in the word contribution are O, I, T, N. The word formed is INTO.
15. (3) The fourth letter to the left of I is E. Then the sixteenth letter to the right of E is U.
16. (2) The thirteenth letter from the left is M. The seventh letter to the right of M is T.
17. (2) The new alphabet series is M L K J I H G F E D C B A N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z. Counting from the right i.e. Z, the nineteenth letter is F.
18. (2) Counting from the right in the given alphabet series i.e. Z, the eleventh letter is P. The sixth letter to the right of P is V.
19. (5) The fifth letter to the ninth letter from the left means 14th letter from the right, i.e. M.
20. (4) The fifteenth letter from the left is O. The eighteenth letter from the right is I. The letter midway between I and O is L.