

CUET 2026 May 18 Shift 2 English

Question Paper (Memory-Based) PDF

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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 correct passive or active form of the given sentence. “They have to paint the ceiling before they can install the new light fixtures.”

- (a) The ceiling has to be painted before the new light fixtures can be installed.
- (b) The ceiling have to be painted before installing the new light fixtures.
- (c) Before the new light fixtures can install, the ceiling has to be painted.
- (d) The ceiling must be painted by them prior to installing the light fixtures.

2. Choose the correct passive or active form of the given sentence. “We expect that the committee will approve the project by tomorrow.”

- (a) It is expected that the project will be approved by the committee by tomorrow.
- (b) The committee is expected to have approved the project by tomorrow.
- (c) Approval of the project by the committee is expected tomorrow.
- (d) That the project will be approved by the committee by tomorrow is expecting.

3. Choose the correct passive or active form of the given sentence. “He likes people flattering him.”

- (a) He likes to be flattered by people.
 - (b) He likes being flattered.
 - (c) Flattering him is liked by people.
 - (d) He is liked when people flatter him.
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4. Choose the correct passive or active form of the given sentence. "They let the prisoner leave early."

- (a) The prisoner was let leave early.
 - (b) The prisoner was let to leave early.
 - (c) The prisoner was allowed leave early.
 - (d) Leaving early was what the prisoner was let do.
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5. Choose the correct passive or active form of the given sentence. "Who did this damage?"

- (a) By whom was this damage done?
 - (b) Who was this damage done by?
 - (c) By whom this damage was done?
 - (d) Whom was doing this damage?
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6. Transform the following sentences into Indirect or Direct speech. "Had I known the truth, I would not have spoken so harshly," said Evelyn.

- (a) Evelyn said that if she had known the truth, she would not have spoken so harshly.
 - (b) Evelyn regretted having spoken harshly without knowing the truth.
 - (c) Evelyn said that had she known the truth she hadn't spoken so harshly.
 - (d) Evelyn told that she wouldn't speak harshly if she knew the truth.
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7. Choose the word most nearly opposite in meaning to the capitalized word. "BILIOUS"

- (a) Amiable
 - (b) Peevish
 - (c) Valiant
 - (d) Sallow
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8. Choose the word most nearly opposite in meaning to the capitalized word. "INSOUCIANT"

- (a) Flamboyant
 - (b) Nonchalant
 - (c) Languid
 - (d) Anxious
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9. Choose the word most nearly opposite in meaning to the capitalized word. "TANTAMOUNT"

- (a) Incommensurate
 - (b) Commensurate
 - (c) Redundant
 - (d) Obsolete
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10. Choose the word most nearly opposite in meaning to the capitalized word. "PERNICIOUS"

- (a) Salubrious
 - (b) Nefarious
 - (c) Innocuous
 - (d) Devastating
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