

Judging Story Logic**Practice Exercise****1. Arrange P, Q, R and S between A and B in order to make a sensible story.**

A: A porcupine came and asked a dog for food. The dog said that he had no food but showed him a field of sugarcane belonging to a judge. "Eat as much as you want/" said the dog, "but leave the roots intact so that the plants can grow again."

P: The porcupine found the sugarcane sweet and juicy. He began to visit the field every day. In the beginning he ate only the stems, as directed by the dog, but after a few days he began to eat the roots too. One day the judge saw the destruction in his field and was very angry. He called the dog and accused him of destroying his crop. The dog said it was the porcupine that was to be blamed. The porcupine said he was innocent and suggested that the matter be settled in court. The judge agreed.

Q: "See how he trembles, Your Honour" said the porcupine. "Isn't that a sure sign of guilt?"

R: "What do you have to say for yourself?" asked the judge, looking sternly at the dog. But the dog's teeth were chattering with the cold and he could not speak. Thinking that his silence was an admission of guilt, the judge pronounced him guilty and kicked him out of the house.

S: The porcupine waited till winter set in. Then one chilly morning he went to the dog's house and told him the judge had summoned them. When they entered the judge's chamber the dog began to shiver with cold.

B: Whenever a dog barks incessantly, Africans say he is warning the judge that the porcupine has got into his field.

Select the correct option among the given choices.

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| (a) PSQR | (b) SQRQ |
| (c) QPSR | (d) SPQR |
| (e) None of these | |

2. Arrange P, Q, R and S between A and B in order to make a sensible story.

A: Birbal was one of the nine gems in the court of Emperor Akbar. He was respected by everyone

for his intelligence and wit. Whenever Akbar was in difficulty, he called Birbal for help.

P: Akbar was very fond of jewellery. He had many rings of gold, pearls and diamonds. His favorite ring was the one with a large diamond at the center and pearls around. At the emperor's palace, there were eight servants who looked after his clothes and jewellery. They also helped him get ready to go to the court. No one else was allowed to enter his room.

Q: The next morning, the eight servants stood in a line with their sticks. Birbal caught hold of one of them and took him to Akbar. The man fell at Akbar's feet and admitted that he had stolen the ring.

R: He gave each of them a stick of the same size and asked them to come back with it the next day. He told them that the stick of the person who had stolen the ring would become longer by one inch that night.

S: One day, the Emperor wanted to wear his favorite ring. But it was missing. Akbar ordered a search for the ring. But no one could find it. Akbar then asked his men to call Birbal. When Birbal came, he told him about the robbery and asked for help. Birbal called all the eight servants who were in charge of the Emperor's room.

B: The king was surprised. He asked Birbal how he found out the culprit. Birbal said the thief had cut his stick by an inch fearing that it would grow.

Select the correct option among the given choices.

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| (a) SRQP | (b) RPQS |
| (c) PSRQ | (d) SPQR |
| (e) None of these | |

3. Arrange P, Q, R and S between A and B in order to make a sensible story.

A: A samurai warrior slew his master in a fit of rage. He repented immediately but the deed was done and he knew that if he was caught he would be put to death. He fled. His wanderings took him to a remote village that was separated from the rest of the world by a mountain.

P: The path across the mountain was narrow and treacherous and many villagers had lost their lives while traversing it. The murderer decided to atone for his sin by single-handedly cutting a road through the mountain to end the isolation of the village.

Q: He worked from dawn to dusk and in four years had penetrated halfway into the mountain. One morning when he was hard at work in the tunnel, a young man called out to him to come out. He was the son of the man who had been murdered. He wanted revenge. "I deserve to die!" said the former samurai. "Slay me by all means but wait until I've completed this tunnel!"

R: The young man agreed to wait. He watched fascinated as day after day the samurai laboured at a seemingly impossible task. The rocks he was digging through were so massive that at the end of a day's work they seemed not to have been touched at all. The young man began to develop a grudging respect for his enemy's tenacity and determination.. Eventually he found himself helping the man-digging side by side with him and carrying out the rubble.

S: Years passed and then one day the two men broke through to the other side. The mountain had been conquered at last and the centuries-old isolation of the village had been ended. "Now I am ready to die!" said the samurai, kneeling before the young man. "Cleave my head in two"

B: The youth raised his word with a cry the blood rushing to his head. At last his father's death would be avenged. But he found he could not bring himself to do it. Slowly he lowered his sword. "You're a murderer!" he said. "But I've learnt much from you in these last few years. How can I harm my teacher?" And he sheathed his sword and walked away

Select the correct option among the given choices.

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| (c) QPSR | (d) PQRS |
| (e) None of these | |

4. Arrange P, Q, R and S between A and B in order to make a sensible story.

A: The King of Kamera in Africa was a proud and stern man, feared by all his subjects. One day while sitting in his mud palace, surrounded by

fawning courtiers and being watched by a multitude of people who had come to see him, he was suddenly overcome by a sense of grandeur and loudly declared that he was master of the world and that all men were his servants.

P: "We all serve one another/7 said Boubakar, showing no fear, "and I will prove it to you before nightfall." "Do that!" said the monarch. "Force me to wait on you. If you can do that I will have not one but three wells dug in your village. But if you fail, you'll lose your head!" "In our village," said the old man, "hen we accept a challenge, we touch the person's feet. Let me touch your feet. Hold my stick."

Q: "I am Boubakar," said the man. "We have no water in our village. I have come to ask for a well to be dug there." "So you are a beggar!" roared the king, striding down to where the man stood. "Yet you have the temerity to call me a servant!"

R: The king took the stick and the old man bent down and touched the monarch's feet. "Now you may give it back to me," he said, straightening up. The king gave him back his stick. "Do you want any more proof?" asked Boubakar. "Proof?" asked the king, bewildered.

S: "You are mistaken/" said a frail voice. "All men are servants of one another/" A deathly silence followed the remark. The blood froze in the veins of the people assembled there. Then the king exploded in anger. "Who said that!" he demanded, rising from the royal stool. "Who dares suggest that I am a servant!!!" "I do," said a voice in the crowd, and the people parted to reveal a white-haired old man, leaning heavily on a stout stick. "Who are you?" asked the king.

B: "You held my stick when I asked you to and gave it back to me when I asked you for it," said the old man. "As I said, all good men are servants of one another." The king was so pleased with Boubakar's wit and daring that he not only had wells dug in his village but also retained him as an adviser.

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| (c) QPSR | (d) PQRS |
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5. Arrange P, Q, R and S between A and B in order to make a sensible story.

A: China's greatest miser lay dying and he wanted to hand over the keys of his treasure house to someone who would safeguard his wealth after he was gone. He had three sons to choose from, so he called them to his bedside. Turning to his eldest, he said, "Tell me, how will you conduct my funeral after I die?"

P: The second son realized that his father did not want much money to be spent on his funeral. So he said, "Elder brother has extravagant ideas, father. I will see to it that you have a simple and inexpensive funeral. Buddhist and Taoist priests will chant the prayers at your funeral. And there it will end. No feeding of the poor or anything of that sort."

Q: "Buddhist and Taoist priests!" gasped his father. "Oh, you nitwit, do you know how much those priests eat?! And you have to pay them in gold afterwards!! You are as useless as your elder brother. Move aside, let us hear what your younger brother has to say." The youngest son had always loathed his father's niggardliness and now, disgusted with his behaviour, said, "I will spend no money on your funeral, father. In fact, I will make money when you die."

R: "And how will you do that, my son?" asked the miser, his eyes lighting up. "As soon as you're

dead I'll dump your body in a cart and take it to the various medical schools in the Northern provinces and sell it to the highest bidder." "You're a true son of your father!" said the miser, admiringly. "You shall be my heir." And he began to grope under the pillows for the keys of his treasure house.

S: "It will be a grand funeral, father," said his son, earnestly. "I will have a silver coffin made for you and dress you in robes embroidered in gold. Afterwards I will feed the poor for three days in your honour." "You're a fool," rasped his father. "Silver coffin! Golden robes! You will feed the poor for three days! Oh, woe is me! What a wastrel I've raised!" And he began sobbing in distress.

B: "But father!" said his elder son. "Did you hear what he said? He said he would sell your body to the highest bidder in the Northern provinces!" "I absolutely forbid you to do that," said the miser, looking sternly at his youngest son. "The Northerners want everything on credit. Take me to the southern provinces."

Select the correct option among the given choices.

- (a) SQPR (b) RPQS
(c) QPSR (d) SPQR
(e) None of these

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