

The Odd One Out sentence based questions are a relatively newer type of CAT questions that are being asked only for last couple of years. In these questions, five sentences related to a topic will be given. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph, except for one sentence. You will be asked to identify the sentence which does not fit into the overall paragraph.

#### How to approach a problem:

- Quickly go through the sentences to identify a probable theme that the sentences are entwined into.
- Look at some common words that may describe the underlying theme of the passage. For example, a passage may describe personality traits or an organizational phenomenon. In such situations, the sentences will be related to the antecedents or consequents or processes related to the main theme.
- Observe the possible links between the sentences. If you can link two or more sentences, then, obviously, none of these sentences will be the answer.

**Example 1** Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out. Choose its number as your answer and key it in.

(CAT 2019)

1. One argument is that actors that do not fit within a single, well-defined category may suffer an “illegitimacy discount”.
2. Others believe that complex identities confuse audiences about an organization’s role or purpose.
3. Some organizations have complex and multidimensional identities that span or combine categories, while other organizations possess narrow identities.
4. Identity is one of the most important features of organizations, but there exist opposing views among sociologists about how identity affects organizational performance.
5. Those who think that complex identities are beneficial point to the strategic advantages of ambiguity, and organizations’ potential to differentiate themselves from competitors.

**Explanation:** Let us have a quick reading of the sentences. Sentences 2, 3, 4, and 5 contain the word ‘organization/s,’ whereas sentence 1 does not. Though this is not sufficient

to answer the question, but we can have some idea that the theme of the passage is related to the organization’s role / purpose / identity. Let us try to find some link among the sentences. Sentence 3, 4 and 5 are clearly linked as these are related to organizational identity. Now, we are left with sentences 2 and 1. Between these two, sentence 1 does not relate to the organization’s identity (as established by sentences 3, 4, and 5).

**Hence, option 1 is the correct answer.**

#### Example 2

1. Some kids have better resources available to them during their upbringing, which reduce their direct dependability on society in general.
2. Society is experiencing a growing gap between the “haves” and “have-nots”.
3. Whereas, others may not be as fortunate and will have to be dependent upon the shared resources available to them.
4. Owing to either rapid urbanization or migration towards cities to pursue better career advancement opportunities, many families have lost their rural or small town roots.
5. A child from a single-child family will not have to bother about sharing resources at home.

**Explanation:** A quick reading of the sentences provides a clear view that the theme of the passage revolves around “resources” that kids have. Thus, sentences 1, 3 and 5 are clearly linked but are not the answer. We have to choose the answer between sentences 2 and 4. Let us go back and answer the fundamental question: is the theme of the passage ‘resources’ (which, indirectly, passage 2 is hinting towards) or losing the roots (sentence 4)? Apparently, out of sentence 2 and 4, sentence 2 will gel with the theme of the passage than sentence 4.

**Hence, option 4 is the correct answer.**

#### Example 3

1. Independence from others might be characterized by more self-serving behaviour and being less sensitive to other people’s needs.
2. Children growing up in a resource-rich environment will seldom need shared resources such as public transport for commuting; peer’s help in homework

(because of the availability of private tutors) in their daily life.

3. The stronger the self-efficacy belief, the higher the goals people set for themselves.
4. This will alienate them from society and make them indifferent to the other people's needs.
5. Kids brought up in such an atmosphere will seldom require the helping hand of others and get guided by the entitlement mentality.

**Solution:** Passage revolves around "resource-rich environment" available to kids, and its outcomes. Sentence 2

introduces the theme. Sentences 1, 3, 4, and 5 are outcomes. A thorough reading will tell that sentences 1, 4, and 5 are the adverse outcomes of a resource-rich environment, whereas sentence 3 is a positive outcome. A paragraph may contain both positive and negative outcomes. But the shift from positive to negative outcomes (or vice versa) should be smoothened with the words such as "whereas, though, but, although". Sentence 3 does not have any of these. Thus, to have a logical flow of the passage, it is best to choose sentences 1, 2, 4, and 5, and eliminate sentence 3.

**Hence, option 3 is the correct answer.**

## PREVIOUS YEARS' QUESTIONS

### CAT 2019 (MORNING SLOT)

**Q.1** Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out. Choose its number as your answer and key it in.

- (a) One argument is that actors who do not fit within a single, well-defined category may suffer an “illegitimacy discount”.
- (b) Others believe that complex identities confuse audiences about an organization’s role or purpose.
- (c) Some organizations have complex and multidimensional identities that span or combine categories, while other organizations possess narrow identities.
- (d) Identity is one of the most important features of organizations, but there exist opposing views among sociologists about how identity affects organizational performance.
- (e) Those who think that complex identities are beneficial point to the strategic advantages of ambiguity, and organizations’ potential to differentiate themselves from competitors.

**Q.2** Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out. Choose its number as your answer and key it in.

- (a) His idea to use sign language was not a completely new idea as Native Americans used hand gestures to communicate with other tribes.
- (b) Ancient Greek philosopher Aristotle, for example, observed that men who are deaf are incapable of speech.
- (c) People who were born deaf were denied the right to sign a will as they were “presumed to

understand nothing; because it is not possible that they have been able to learn to read or write.”

- (d) Pushback against this prejudice began in the 16th century when Pedro Ponce de León created a formal sign language for the hearing-impaired.
- (e) For millennia, people with hearing impairments encountered marginalization because it was believed that language could only be learned by hearing the spoken word.

**Q.3** Five sentences related to a topic are given below in a jumbled order. Four of them form a coherent and unified paragraph. Identify the odd sentence that does not go with the four. Key in the number of the option that you choose.

- (a) “Stat” signalled something measurable, while “matic” advertised free labour; but “tron”, above all, indicated control.
- (b) It was a totem of high modernism, the intellectual and cultural mode that decreed no process or phenomenon was too complex to be grasped, managed and optimized.
- (c) Like the heraldic shields of ancient knights, these morphemes were painted onto the names of scientific technologies to proclaim one’s history and achievements to friends and enemies alike.
- (d) The historian Robert Proctor at Stanford University calls the suffix “-tron”, along with “-matic” and “-stat”, embodied symbols.
- (e) To gain the suffix was to acquire a proud and optimistic emblem of the electronic and atomic age.

### CAT 2019 (EVENING SLOT)

**Q.1** Five sentences related to a topic are given below in a jumbled order. Four of them form a coherent and unified paragraph. Identify the odd sentence that does not go with the four. Key in the number of the option that you choose.

- (a) Socrates told us that “the unexamined life is not worth living” and that to “know thyself” is the path to true wisdom.
- (b) It suggests that you should adopt an ancient rhetorical method favoured by the likes of Julius Caesar and known as “illeism” – or speaking about yourself in the third person.

- (c) Research has shown that people who are prone to rumination also often suffer from impaired decision-making under pressure and are at a substantially increased risk of depression.
- (d) Simple rumination – the process of churning your concerns around in your head – is not the way to achieve self-realization.
- (e) The idea is that this small change in perspective can clear your emotional fog, allowing you to see past your biases.

**Q.2** Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful

and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out. Choose its number as your answer and key it in.

- (a) A particularly interesting example of inference occurs in many single-panel comics.
- (b) It's the creator's participation and imagination that make the single-panel comic so engaging and so rewarding.
- (c) Often, the humour requires you to imagine what happened in the instant immediately before or immediately after the panel you're being shown.
- (d) To get the joke, you actually have to figure out what some of these missing panels must be.
- (e) It is as though the cartoonist devised a series of panels to tell the story and has chosen to show you only one – and typically not even the funniest.

**Q.3** Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out. Choose its number as your answer and key it in.

- (a) Ocean plastic is problematic for a number of reasons, but primarily because marine animals eat it.
- (b) The largest numerical proportion of ocean plastic falls in small size fractions.
- (c) Aside from clogging up the digestive tracts of marine lives, plastic also tends to adsorb pollutants from the water column.
- (d) Plastic in the oceans is arguably one of the most important and pervasive environmental problems today.
- (e) Eating plastic has a number of negative consequences such as the retention of plastic particles in the gut for longer periods than normal food particles.

### CAT 2018 (MORNING SLOT)

**Q.1** Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out. Choose its number as your answer and key it in.

- (a) Translators are like bumblebees.
- (b) Though long since scientifically disproved, this factoid is still routinely trotted out.
- (c) Similar pronouncements about the impossibility of translation have dogged practitioners since Leonardo Bruni's "De interpretatione recta", published in 1424.
- (d) Bees, unaware of these deliberations, have continued to flit from flower to flower, and translators continue to translate.
- (e) In 1934, the French entomologist August Magnan pronounced the flight of the bumblebee to be aerodynamically impossible.

**Q.2** Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out.

- (a) In many cases, time inconsistency is what prevents our going from intention to action.
- (b) For people to continuously postpone getting their children immunized, they would need to be constantly fooled by themselves.

- (c) In the specific case of immunization, however, it is hard to believe that time inconsistency by itself would be sufficient to make people permanently postpone the decision if they were fully cognizant of its benefits.

- (d) In most cases, even a small cost of immunization was large enough to discourage most people.

- (e) Not only do they have to think that they prefer to spend time going to the camp next month rather than today, they also have to believe that they will indeed go next month.

**Q.3** Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out.

- (a) Displacement in Bengal is thus not very significant in view of its magnitude.

- (b) A factor of displacement in Bengal is the shifting course of the Ganges, leading to erosion of river banks.

- (c) The nature of displacement in Bengal makes it an interesting case study.

- (d) Since displacement due to erosion is spread out over a long period of time, it remains invisible.

- (e) Rapid displacement would have helped sensitize the public to its human costs.

### CAT 2018 (EVENING SLOT)

**Q.1** Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out.

- (a) Much has been recently discovered about the development of songs in birds.

- (b) Some species are restricted to a single song learned by all individuals, others have a range of songs.

- (c) The most important auditory stimuli for birds are the sounds of other birds.
- (d) For all bird species, there is a prescribed path to development of the final song,
- (e) A bird begins with the subsong, passes through the plastic song stage, until it achieves the species song.

**Q.2** Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out.

- (a) As India looks to increase the number of cities, our urban planning must factor in potential natural disasters and work out contingencies in advance.
- (b) Authorities must revise data and upgrade infrastructure and mitigation plans, even if their local area hasn't been visited by a natural calamity yet.
- (c) Extreme temperatures, droughts and forest fires have more than doubled since 1980.
- (d) There is no denying the fact that our baseline normal weather is changing.

- (e) It is no longer a question of whether we will be hit by nature's fury but rather when.

**Q.3** Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out. Choose its number as your answer and key the number in:

- (a) Our smartphones can now track our diets, our biological cycles, even our digestive systems and sleep patterns.
- (b) Researchers have even coined a new term, "orthosomnia", to describe the insomnia brought on by paying too much attention to smartphones and sleep-tracking apps.
- (c) Sleep, nature's soft nurse, is a blissful, untroubled state, all too easily disturbed by earthly worries or a guilty conscience.
- (d) The existence of a market for such apps is unsurprising: Shift work, a long-hours culture and blue light from screens have conspired to rob many of us of sufficient rest.
- (e) A new threat to a good night's rest has emerged – smartphones, with sleep-tracking apps.

## CAT 2017 (MORNING SLOT)

**Directions for the question:** *Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out. Choose its number as your answer and key it in.*

- Q.1**
- (a) People who study children's language spend a lot of time watching how babies react to the speech they hear around them.
  - (b) They make films of adults and babies interacting, and examine them very carefully to see whether the babies show any signs of understanding what adults say.
  - (c) They believe that babies begin to react to language from the very moment they are born.
  - (d) Sometimes the signs are very subtle - slight movements of the baby's eyes or the head or the hands.
  - (e) You'd never notice them if you were just sitting with the child, but by watching a recording over and over, you can spot them.

**Directions for the question:** *Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out. Choose its number as your answer and key it in.*

- Q.2**
- (a) Neuroscientists have just begun studying exercise's impact within brain cells — on the genes themselves.

- (b) Even there, in the roots of our biology, they've found signs of the body's influence on the mind.
- (c) It turns out that moving our muscles produces proteins that travel through the bloodstream and into the brain, where they play pivotal roles in the mechanisms of our highest thought processes.
- (d) In today's technology-driven, plasma-screened world, it's easy to forget that we are born movers — animals, in fact — because we've engineered movement right out of our lives.
- (e) It's only in the past few years that neuroscientists have begun to describe these factors and how they work, and each new discovery adds awe-inspiring depth to the picture

**Directions for the question:** *Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out. Choose its number as your answer and key it in.*

- Q.3**
- (a) The water that made up ancient lakes and perhaps an ocean was lost.
  - (b) Particles from the Sun collided with molecules in the atmosphere, knocking them into space or giving them an electric charge that caused them to be swept away by the solar wind.
  - (c) Most of the planet's remaining water is now frozen or buried, but clues over the past decade suggested that some liquid water, a pre-

- sumed necessity for life, might survive in underground aquifers.
- (d) Data from NASA's MAVEN orbiter show that solar storms stripped away most of Mars's onethick atmosphere.

- (e) A recent study reveals how Mars lost much of its early water, while another indicates that some liquid water remains.

## CAT 2017 (EVENING SLOT)

**Directions for the question:** *Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out. Choose its number as your answer and key it in.*

- Q.1**
- (a) Although we are born with the gift of language, research shows that we are surprisingly unskilled when it comes to communicating with others.
  - (b) We must carefully orchestrate our speech if we want to achieve our goals and bring our dreams to fruition.
  - (c) We often choose our words without thought, oblivious of the emotional effects they can have on others.
  - (d) We talk more than we need to, ignoring the effect we are having on those listening to us.
  - (e) We listen poorly, without realizing it, and we often fail to pay attention to the subtle meanings conveyed by facial expressions, body gestures, the tone and cadence of our voice.

**Directions for the question:** *Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out. Choose its number as your answer and key it in.*

- Q.2**
- (a) Over the past fortnight, one of its finest champions managed to pull off a similar impression.
  - (b) Wimbledon's greatest illusion is the sense of timelessness it evokes.
  - (c) At 35 years and 342 days, Roger Federer became the oldest man to win the singles title in the Open Era - a full 14 years after he had

first claimed the title as a scruffy, pony-tailed upstart.

- (d) Once he had survived the opening week, the second week witnessed the range of a rested Federer's genius.
- (e) Given that his method isn't reliant on explosive athleticism or muscular ball-striking, both vulnerable to decay, there is cause to believe that Federer will continue to enchant for a while longer.

**Directions for the question:** *Five sentences related to a topic are given below. Four of them can be put together to form a meaningful and coherent short paragraph. Identify the odd one out. Choose its number as your answer and key it in.*

- Q.3**
- (a) Those geometric symbols and aerodynamic swooshes are more than just skin deep.
  - (b) The Commonwealth Bank logo - a yellow diamond, with a black chunk sliced out in one corner - is so recognizable that the bank doesn't even use its full name in its advertisement.
  - (c) It's not just logos with hidden shapes; sometimes brands will have meanings or stories within them that are deliberately vague or lost in time, urging you to delve deeper to solve the riddle.
  - (d) Graphic designers embed cryptic references because it adds a story to the brand; they want people to spend more time with a brand and have that idea that they are an insider if they can understand the hidden message.
  - (e) But the Commonwealth Bank logo has more to it than meets the eye, as squirrelled away in that diamond is the Southern Cross constellation.

## ANSWER KEYS

### CAT 2019 (MORNING SLOT)

1. (a)      2. (b)      3. (b)

### CAT 2019 (EVENING SLOT)

1. (a)      2. (b)      3. (b)

### CAT 2018 (MORNING SLOT)

1. (b)      2. (d)      3. (e)

### CAT 2018 (EVENING SLOT)

1. (c)      2. (c)      3. (c)

### CAT 2017 (MORNING SLOT)

1. (c)      2. (d)      3. (a)

### CAT 2017 (EVENING SLOT)

1. (b)      2. (d)      3. (a)



## HINTS AND EXPLANATIONS

### CAT 2019 (MORNING SLOT)

1. (Note to the student: Also look at worked out example 1)

Prima facie sentences 2,3,4,5 are all speaking about the complex identity and thus are somewhat linked with each other, whereas sentence 1 is not directly speaking about the complex identity therefore, it can be left out.

**Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.**

2. Statement 5 might be the starting statement as it brings the concept of marginalization of deaf persons, and statement 3 enhances the concept by adding the view that how they are marginalized.

Statement 1 and 4 are linked as they both speak about sign language and statement 4 is followed by statement 1 due to the use of pronoun in 1 for Pedro Ponce de León.

**Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.**

3. Only statement 4 can be the starting statement of the passage. As it brings the idea of suffix and therefore, must be followed by statement 1 which explains the meaning of the suffix introduced in statement 4. Statement 5 enhances the passage further by saying “to gain the suffix” was how the matter of pride and statement 3 further adds on to it.

**Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.**

### CAT 2019 (EVENING SLOT)

1. Statement 4 introduces the idea of “simple rumination”. Statement 3 speaks about people who are prone to rumination and are at a substantially increased risk of depression. Therefore, statement 4 must be followed by statement 3.

Sentence 5 speaks about the “this change in perspective”, which means statement 5 is to be followed by the sentence where the perspective has been changed. Statement 2 starts with “it suggests that you should adopt an ancient rhetorical method”, i.e., there is a change in perspective in statement 2. Therefore, statement 2 should precede statement 5.

The correct sequence will be 4325.

**Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.**

2. The starting sentence could either be sentence 1 or 2. Statement 1 states, “a particularly interesting example of inference occurs in many single-panel comics”. Here, inference means to reach an opinion based on the facts.

Statement 2 states, “It’s the creator’s participation and imagination that makes the single-panel comic

so engaging and so rewarding”. The inference cannot be drawn directly from this sentence; therefore, this option can be eliminated.

Statement 3 states, “the humor requires you to imagine what happened in the instant immediately before or immediately after the panel you’re being shown”. It is an inference

Statement 4 states, “To get the joke, you actually have to figure out what some of these missing panels must be”. It is an inference.

Statement 5 is the concluding statement. Therefore, the right sequence is 1345.

**Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.**

3. Statement 4 introduces the problem from plastics in ocean. Statement 1 states the reason for that problem as marine animals eating them.

Statement 5 states the effects of eating plastic.

Statement 3 can be connected to statement 5.

Therefore, the proper sequence is 4153 and hence, statement 2 can be eliminated.

**Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.**

### CAT 2018 (MORNING SLOT)

1. Statement 1 is the starting statement. Statement 5 and 3 speak about pronouncement. Statement 3 has keyword ‘similar pronouncements’ therefore, it will come after statement 5. Moreover, statement 4 will be the concluding statement.

**Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.**

2. Statement 1 and 3 both speak about “time inconsistency”. Moreover, statement 3 states “an example of specific case of immunization, for time inconsistency” therefore, 1 must be followed by 3. Statement 2 says that “people in order to postpone the immunization of their child need to fool themselves” and statement



5 elaborates the ways by which they can fool themselves. Therefore, option 2 must be followed by 5. Moreover, statement 2 uses the example of “immunization” hence must come after statement 3. Therefore, the sequence must be 1325.

**Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.**

- Statement 3 will be the starting statement as it brings the idea of “displacement in Bengal”. Statement 2 will

come after statement 3 as it states the factor responsible for displacement. Statement 4 further adds on to the factor of soil erosion as stated in 2. Therefore, 4 will come after 2.

Statement 1 will be the concluding statement as it concludes the issue raised “displacement of Bengal”. The right sequence is 3241.

**Hence, option (e) is the correct answer.**

## CAT 2018 (EVENING SLOT)

- Statement 4 introduces the idea about the prescribed path to be followed for the development of the final song, and statement 5 describes the step-by-step procedure to achieve the final song. Therefore, 4 and 5 form a pair.

Statement 1 introduces the idea of the development of songs in birds, therefore, will be the starting sentence of the paragraph. Statement 2 must be part of the paragraph as it states that some species are restricted to a single song whereas others have a range of songs, and it could not be the concluding statement and therefore, would come after statement 1.

Thus, the right sequence is 1245.

**Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.**

- Statement 4 introduces the concept of “changing weather” therefore, it must be the starting statement.

Sentence 3 gives the facts in support of the concept of changing weather, and 5 enhances the idea of changing weather. Statement 1 must be followed by statement 2.

Therefore, either 5 or 3 could be omitted.

**Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.**

- A quick reading of the sentences gives an idea that the theme of the passage is either “sleep” or “smartphones / apps”. Let us dig it more in-depth. Sentences 2 and 5 cannot be the answer, as these sentences are converging the two themes (sleep and smartphones/ apps). Out of the remaining sentences 1, 3, and 4, sentences 1 and 4 are linked as these are mentioning the prevalence of smartphones and apps. Thus, the theme of the passage is smartphones / apps, and not “sleep”.

**Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.**

## CAT 2017 (MORNING SLOT)

- Statement 1 will start the paragraph as no other sentence can be the starting sentence as they have some mention of other statements. Statement 2 will follow 1 as it indicates what they do for the study of babies. Statement 4 will follow 2 as it states that “sometimes the signs are subtle”. Statement 5 will follow 4 as it carries forward the idea stated in 4 and states that “without recording could not notice those signs”. The sequence of the paragraph will be 1245.

**Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.**

- Statement 1 will be the starting sentence of the paragraph as it states that “Neuroscientists began studying exercise’s impact within brain cells — on the genes” themselves. Statement 2 will follow 1 as it states the findings. Statement 3 will follow 2 as it detailed the findings. Statement 5 will be the last sentence as it

states that “neuroscientists have begun to describe these factors and how they work, and each discovery adds awe-inspiring depth to the picture”. Therefore, the sequence will be 1235.

**Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.**

- Statement 4 will start the paragraph as it states that “solar storms stripped away most of Mars’ once thick atmosphere”. Statement 2 will follow 4 as it shows how Mars’ “thick atmosphere was stripped away”. Thus, 4 and 2 form a pair.

Sentence 5 speaks about “a recent study of water on Mars”, 3 will follow 5 as it enhances the findings of the study mentioned in 5; therefore, 5 and 3 will form a pair. The right sequence will be 4253.

**Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.**

## CAT 2017 (EVENING SLOT)

- Statement 1 will be the starting sentence of the paragraph as it introduces the concept of “not skilled while communicating with others”, 5 will follow 1 as it explains the reason for the same, 3 and 4 form a

pair as they carry forward the reasons for unskilled communication with others. Thus, 1534 will form a sequence.

**Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.**

2. Statement 2 will be the starting sentence of the paragraph as it introduces “Wimbledon and the sense of timelessness”, 1 will follow 2 and this can be seen from the keywords “similar impression”, 3 will follow 2 as it identifies the “individual and relates it with the impression of timelessness”, 5 will follow 3 as it gives reasons for Federer’s longer run in the sport. Thus, the sequence is 2135.

**Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.**

3. Statement 2 introduces the theme, i.e., “Commonwealth Bank logo”, 5 will follow 2 as it further elaborates the logo, 4 will follow 5 as it explains graphic designers’ role to increase the brand value and 3 will follow 4 as it carries forward the idea of brand “logo as riddled with hidden meanings or stories”. Thus, the sequence is 2543.

**Hence, option (a) is the correct answer.**