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S1. Ans.(b)  
**Sol.** Passage states that – For women, who did not have access to higher education as men did, literary salons provided an alternate route to learning and a challenge to some of society’s basic assumptions about women, which is mentioned in option B.

S2. Ans.(b)  
**Sol.** A significant distinction between the salonnieres and Bluestockings was the role of pleasure in the activities of the literary salon, that is answer is option B. All other options are not suited for a significant distinction between the salonnieres and Bluestockings. Hence, the answer is option B.

S3. Ans.(d)  
**Sol.** As it is mentioned in the passage that – In an atmosphere of mutual support, the Bluestockings went beyond the salon experience. They travelled, studied, worked, wrote for publication, and by their activities challenged the stereotype of the passive woman, therefore, option D is an answer. Hence, the answer is option D.

S4. Ans.(c)  
**Sol.** Option C is the answer, as it is most compatible with the principles of the salonnieres as described in the passage. Whereas, option A, is incorrect as it is not related to the principles. Similarly, options B and D are incorrect. Hence, the answer is option C.

S5. Ans.(a)  
**Sol.** The answer is option A, as it is satisfying with question. Other options are not related to the question. Hence, the answer is option A.

S6. Ans.(d)  
**Sol.** Answer is option D, as it is considered a twentieth-century counterpart of an eighteenth century literary salon as it is described in the passage. Other options are not related to the counterpart and therefore, not correct. Hence, the answer is option D.

S7. Ans.(b)  
**Sol.** As it is mentioned in the last passage that women’s are not feminists, and as per the question – To an assertion that Bluestockings were feminists, the author would most probably respond in a qualified disagreement way. Hence, the answer is option B.
S8. Ans.(c)
Sol. The title that best describes the content of the passage is option C, that is Eighteenth Century – Precursors of Feminism. Option A is not correct as it is generalized, therefore cannot be the answer. Option C, cannot be true as in last paragraph it is mentioned that women’s are not feminists. Option D, is again too generalized. Hence, the answer is option C.

S9. Ans.(c)
Sol. Option (e) may be considered for the title. However, in the passage the issue discussed is more related to the Press (not freedom of speech per se—its misuse by the press), hence option (e) and (b) can be eliminated in favour of option (c).

S10. Ans.(d)
Sol. The last paragraph of the passage answers the question directly. “This should be the only “public interest” defense available to a media outlet that is sued for invasion of privacy. The media might become a bit drearier, but public life would be far healthier.”

S11. Ans.(c)
Sol. B and C. The passage does not support the inference that press freedom essentially becomes intrusive etc. The writer states this about tabloids. B and C are related to the freedom of speech and consequentially to press freedom.

S12. Ans.(d)
Sol. In the paragraph that begins with “there is a curious aspect to Eady’s judgment,” the writer explains what is curious about it. The judge delivered the verdict against intrusion (favouring Max Mosley) because the incident did not have a “Nazi theme” as the scandal sheet had reported. The writer then states that the presence or absence of the “Nazi theme” (Mosley’s private fantasies) is completely irrelevant to the case. Hence the judgement is “curious” though it helped highlight certain issues related to press freedom and its misuse.

S13. Ans.(a)
Sol. This is stated in the passage. “At the same time, it is widely acknowledged (except by most editors and journalists) that a great deal of media intrusion is simply an abuse of press freedom, with the sole aim of boosting circulation by feeding public prurience.

S14. Ans.(c)
Sol. Jurisprudence- the theory or philosophy of law.

S15. Ans.(e)
Sol. Shackled- chain with shackles, restrain; limit.
S16. Ans.(c)
Sol. pull in - park (a vehicle)
pull out - depart (a vehicle)
pull through - barely survive
pull down - earn

S17. Ans.(d)
Sol. keep to - continue, persist in (an activity)
keep up - stay on the required schedule
keep over - cover something with, put something above
keep out - prevent from entering
keep off - prevent from stepping or
keep down - not vomit, not throw up, keep in one's stomach

S18. Ans.(d)
Sol. hold off on - delay
hold back - not allow to advance in school
hold on - grasp tightly
hold up - rob (a bank, a person) with a weapon
hold up - delay (a flight, traffic)

S19. Ans.(a)
Sol. get by with - manage with
get by on - survive with minimal resources
get by - survive without having the things you need or want
get away with - do something against the rules or illegal and not get caught or punished
get around - go many places

S20. Ans.(e)
Sol. eat in - eat inside the home
eat up - devour
eat away - gradually destroy, erode
eat out - eat outside the home

S21. Ans.(C)
Sol. Statement C is the correct choice and gives most coherent meaning to the paragraph.
Statement A and B are grammatically incorrect.
Statement D and E are out of context.
"However, within the parameters of law, it has never been confined to human beings and has even included idols and companies", gives coherent meaning.
S22. Ans.(b)
Sol. Statement B is the correct choice.
but questions regarding the legal standing or legal personality of non-human persons remain unanswered

S23. Ans.(d)
Sol. Statement D is the correct choice, which gives coherent meaning.
While tax administration has seen some paradigm shifts both in the domain of direct and indirect taxes,

S24. Ans.(b)
Sol. Statement B is the correct choice, which gives coherent meaning.
Simply put, it is a digital public ledger that records every transaction. Once a transaction is entered in the block chain, it cannot be erased or modified.

S25. Ans.(c)
Sol. In the light of such economic aspirations, a fair balance between taxpayer rights and obligations will only ensure a higher degree of trust between the tax collector and taxpayer

S26. Ans.(C)
Sol. DEBC is the correct sequence. Statement A is out of context and it does not contribute to the paragraph. In DEBC statements, Solid Waste Management is discussed. Whereas, statement A highlight budgets for collection and transport by private contractors, which is not required here.

S27. Ans.(b)
Sol. BCDA is the correct sequence. Statement E is out of context and it does not contribute to the paragraph.

S28. Ans.(b)
Sol. BEDA is the correct sequence. Statement C is out of context and it does not contribute to the paragraph. Statement C talks about East India Company, which is not mentioned or indicated in any other statement.

S29. Ans.(a)
Sol. DCA is the correct sequence. Statement B is out of context and it does not contribute to the paragraph.

S30. Ans.(c)
Sol. BCD is the correct sequence. Statement A is out of context and it does not contribute to the paragraph.
S31. Ans.(b)
Sol. transcend-surpass (a person or achievement).

S32. Ans.(d)
Sol. thrust into means drive, propel.

S33. Ans.(a)
Sol. Nothing less than.

S34. Ans.(c)
Sol. Comparable is the correct option

S35. Ans.(b)
Sol. has been (Paragraph is in present tense)

S36. Ans.(b)
Sol. extravagant-exceeding what is reasonable or appropriate; excessive or elaborate. Hence Option B is the correct choice.

S37. Ans.(d)
Sol. gone

S38. Ans.(a)
Sol. not

S39. Ans.(c)
Sol. remarkable-worth of attention; striking.

S40. Ans.(b)
Sol. Option B is the correct choice because 'man' here means generalize form of human. Hence the, most appropriate choice.
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