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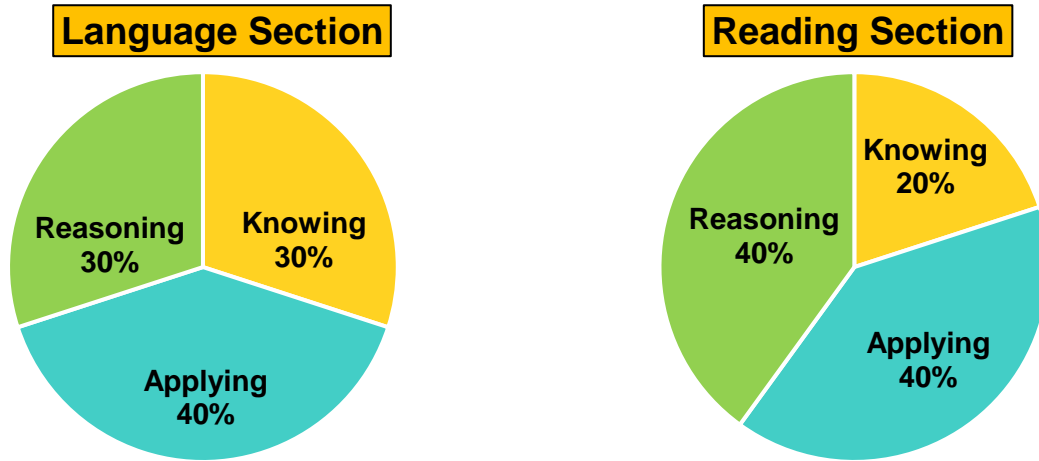
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Section	Total Questions	Marks per Question	Total Marks
Language Section	30	1	30
Reading Section	15	2	30
Grand Total	45		60

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1. Content dimension, specifying the subject matter domains to be assessed
2. Cognitive dimension, specifying the thinking processes to be assessed

Target percentages of the question paper devoted to cognitive domains



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Language Section (Each Question is 1 Mark)

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Nouns

1. Which of the following sentences contains a material noun?

- a. The statue was made of bronze.
- b. She is an intelligent student.
- c. They constructed a massive building.
- d. The artist was talented.

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Pronouns

2. Identify the type of pronoun used in the following sentence:

The committee, which had convened after months of deliberation, finally reached a unanimous decision that surprised everyone.

- a. reflexive pronoun
- b. demonstrative pronoun
- c. interrogative pronoun
- d. relative pronoun

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Verbs

3. Fill in the blank with a transitive verb:

She _____ the old documents before she finally found the one she needed.

- a. have examined
- b. examines
- c. examined
- d. is examining

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Adverbs

4. Identify the adverb of manner in the following sentence:

The students completed the project meticulously, earning praise from their teacher.

- a. completed
- b. meticulously
- c. earning
- d. praise

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Adjectives

5. Identify the sentence that correctly uses multiple types of adjectives, including interrogative, descriptive, and quantitative adjectives:
- a. Which beautiful flowers are you picking for the bouquet?
 - b. Her three diligent students completed the project early.
 - c. Her three diligent students completed the project early.
 - d. Which three colourful vases did you choose?

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Articles

6. Which of the following sentences uses "the" correctly?
- a. The wisdom is important for making decisions.
 - b. She found the solution to the problem.
 - c. The Mount Everest is the tallest mountain.
 - d. He is studying the economics at university.

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Prepositions

7. Select the correct preposition to complete the sentence:

The team was excited ___ the prospect of winning the championship, and they prepared ___ it with intense dedication.

- a. for, to
- b. with, of
- c. about, for
- d. at, in

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Conjunctions

8. Which type of conjunction is used in the following sentence?

The proposal was intriguing, yet it lacked the necessary details.

- a. coordinating
- b. subordinating
- c. correlative
- d. conjunctive adverb

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Punctuation

9. Which sentence correctly uses parentheses to add supplementary information?

- a. The team won the match (thanks to an incredible goal by John).
- b. The team won the match, thanks to an incredible goal by John).
- c. The team won the match (thanks to an incredible goal by John.
- d. The team won the match—thanks to an incredible goal by John).

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Tenses

10. Transform the following sentence into future perfect tense:

They finish the project by tomorrow.

- a. They will finish the project by tomorrow.
- b. They will have finished the project by tomorrow.
- c. They will be finishing the project by tomorrow.
- d. They have finished the project by tomorrow.

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Analogy

11. Which of the following analogies is incorrect?

- a. Artist is to canvas as writer is to pen
- b. A sculptor is to statue as chef is to recipe
- c. Book is to library as word is to sentence
- d. The lighthouse is to a beacon as the caterpillar is to a butterfly

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Idioms

12. What does the idiom "to throw in the towel" mean?

- a. to give up or admit defeat
- b. to get into a fight
- c. to start a new project
- d. to celebrate a victory

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Active-passive voice

13. Convert the following sentence into passive voice:

The team will have completed the project by Friday.

- a. The project will have been completed by the team by Friday.
- b. The project has been completed by the team by Friday.
- c. The project will be completed by the team by Friday.
- d. The project is completed by the team by Friday.

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Information Retrieval

14. Read the following itinerary and answer the given question at the end:

Day 1:

9:00 AM: Arrive in Metropolis City and check into the Grandview Hotel.

10:30 AM: Visit the Metropolis Art Museum.

1:00 PM: Lunch at The Gourmet Bistro.

3:00 PM: Explore Central Park.

7:00 PM: Dinner at The Elegant Table.

Day 2:

8:00 AM: Breakfast at the hotel.

9:30 AM: Tour the Historic Downtown District.

12:00 PM: Lunch at The Riverside Café.

2:00 PM: Visit the Metropolis Science Centre.

6:00 PM: Attend a concert at the Symphony Hall.

9:00 PM: Late-night snack at The Midnight Café.

Day 3:

7:00 AM: Breakfast at the hotel.

8:30 AM: Visit the Botanical Gardens.

12:00 PM: Lunch at The Garden Restaurant.

2:00 PM: Shopping at the Metropolis Mall.

5:00 PM: Depart from Metropolis City.

Which of the following statements about the itinerary is true?

- On Day 1, after visiting the Metropolis Art Museum, you should have dinner at The Elegant Table.
- On Day 2, the Metropolis Science Centre tour starts at 9:30 AM and is followed by lunch at The Gourmet Bistro.
- On Day 3, after shopping at the Metropolis Mall, the final activity is dinner at The Garden Restaurant.
- On Day 1, lunch is scheduled at The Gourmet Bistro, and the evening ends with dinner at The Elegant Table.

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Similes and Metaphors

15. Which sentence uses a metaphor to convey emotion?

- Her anger was a storm raging inside her.
 - His heart was as cold as ice after the breakup.
 - She felt like a bird trapped in a cage.
 - The city lights were like stars in the night sky.
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Cognitive Domain: Applying	Content Domain: Agreement of the verb with the subject
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16. Which sentence correctly agrees with the subject?

- a. Each of the team members have a different opinion.
- b. Each of the team members has a different opinion.
- c. Each of the team members were having a different opinion.
- d. Each of the team members have had a different opinion.

Cognitive Domain: Applying	Content Domain: One Word substitution
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17. Match the following phrases with their correct one-word substitutions:

	Phrases		One-Word Substitutions
1.	A person who loves books	a.	Pessimist
2.	A person who is indifferent to pleasure	b.	Philanthropist
3.	A person who expects the worst	c.	Bibliophile
4.	A person who loves humanity	d.	Stoic

- a. 1 – a, 2 – b, 3 – c, 4 – d
- b. 1 – c, 2 – d, 3 – a, 4 – b
- c. 1 – c, 2 – d, 3 – b, 4 – a
- d. 1 – b, 2 – a, 3 – d, 4 – c

Cognitive Domain: Applying	Content Domain: Direct-indirect speech
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18. Direct Speech:

The teacher asked, "Will you submit your assignments tomorrow?"

Fill in the blank:

The teacher asked if they would submit their assignments _____.

- a. tomorrow
- b. the previous day
- c. today
- d. the next day

Cognitive Domain: Applying	Content Domain: Interjections
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19. What interjection would you use to express surprise at an unexpected turn of events?

- a. Whoa
- b. Ugh
- c. Yay
- d. Hooray

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Verbs

20. In which sentence is an intransitive verb used appropriately?

- a. The architect designed a magnificent structure.
- b. The orchestra performed the symphony flawlessly.
- c. The audience applauded enthusiastically.
- d. The committee approved the proposal unanimously.

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Adjectives

21. Which sentence exemplifies an adjective of number?

- a. She has several intricate designs in her portfolio.
- b. The elaborate design was fascinating.
- c. His design is far more innovative than hers.
- d. The design is intricate and exquisite.

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Direct-indirect speech

22. Which of the following correctly converts the direct speech into indirect speech?

- a. Direct: She said, "I will meet you at the café tomorrow."
Indirect: She said she will meet me at the café tomorrow.
- b. Direct: He asked, "Do you know where the station is?"
Indirect: He asked if I knew where the station is.
- c. Direct: They said, "We have completed our homework."
Indirect: They said they had completed their homework.
- d. Direct: John said, "I am leaving now."
Indirect: John said that he was leaving then.

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Subject Verb Agreement

23. Which of the following sentences exemplifies accurate subject-verb agreement?

- a. The congregation of scholars are meeting tomorrow to discuss the implications of the research.
- b. The congregation of scholars have reached a consensus on the controversial issue.
- c. The congregation of scholars is meeting tomorrow to discuss the implications of the research.
- d. The congregation of scholars were divided in their opinions on the study.

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Verbs

24. In the following sentence, which modal verb conveys a strong deduction based on the available evidence?

Given the extensive preparations and the thorough rehearsal, she ___ have delivered an exceptional performance.

- a. might
- b. could
- c. must
- d. should

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Phrasal verb

25. Identify the phrasal verb in the sentence below and choose the correct meaning:

During the meeting, she brought up a controversial topic that sparked intense debate.

- a. controversial - likely to provoke public disagreement
- b. sparked - to ignite or initiate
- c. intense - of extreme force or degree
- d. brought up - to mention or introduce

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: One Word substitution

26. The author decided to dedicate his life to creating dictionaries, becoming one of the most renowned figures in his field.

What is the term for a person who writes dictionaries?

- a. lexicographer
- b. bibliophile
- c. calligrapher
- d. stenographer

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Tenses

27. Which sentence correctly uses the past perfect continuous tense?

- a. By the time she arrived, they have been waiting for an hour.
- b. By the time she arrived, they were waiting for an hour.
- c. By the time she arrived, they had been waiting for an hour.
- d. By the time she arrived, they will have been waiting for an hour.

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Similes and Metaphors

28. Which sentence uses a correct metaphor?

- a. The garden was a battlefield, with every flower fighting for sunlight.
- b. His strength was a mountain, unyielding and formidable.
- c. The computer was a magician, pulling solutions out of thin air.
- d. The conversation was a labyrinth, twisting and turning without end.

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Active Passive voice

29. Match the following active sentences with their correct passive forms (jumbled).

Active Sentences:

1. The distinguished professor delivers insightful lectures on quantum mechanics to graduate students every semester.
2. The distinguished professor is delivering insightful lectures on quantum mechanics to graduate students this semester.
3. The distinguished professor has delivered insightful lectures on quantum mechanics to graduate students for the past decade.
4. The distinguished professor will deliver insightful lectures on quantum mechanics to graduate students next semester.

Passive Sentences:

- a. Insightful lectures on quantum mechanics are delivered by the distinguished professor to graduate students every semester.
- b. Insightful lectures on quantum mechanics have been delivered by the distinguished professor to graduate students for the past decade.
- c. Insightful lectures on quantum mechanics will be delivered by the distinguished professor to graduate students next semester.
- d. Insightful lectures on quantum mechanics are being delivered by the distinguished professor to graduate students this semester.

- a. 1 – a, 2 – b, 3 – c, 4 – d
- c. 1 – b, 2 – c, 3 – d, 4 – a

- b. 1 – a, 2 – d, 3 – b, 4 – c
- d. 1 – d, 2 – a, 3 – b, 4 – c

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Subject Verb Agreement

30. Identify the sentence with the correct subject-verb agreement:

- a. The collection of rare books are on display at the museum.
- b. The intricacies of the design require careful examination.
- c. Neither the manager nor the employees was able to solve the issue.
- d. Each of the proposals have been carefully reviewed by the committee.

Reading Section (Each Question is 2 Marks)

Direction for questions (31-33): Read the following passage about Icehotel: A Frozen Wonder in Jukkasjärvi and answer the following question.

Nestled in the tranquil village of Jukkasjärvi in northern Sweden, the Icehotel is a breathtaking marvel of architectural innovation and artistic expression. This unique hotel, which first opened its doors in 1990, is renowned for being the world's first and largest hotel made entirely of ice and snow. Each year, the hotel is reconstructed from scratch using ice harvested from the nearby Torne River, ensuring a one-of-a-kind experience for every guest.

The Icehotel features a variety of rooms and suites, each meticulously crafted by artists from around the globe. These rooms are designed to showcase intricate ice sculptures, stunning ice carvings, and beautiful snow art. The hotel also includes a bar where guests can enjoy cocktails served in glasses made of ice. The temperature inside the Icehotel typically ranges from -5°C to -8°C (23°F to 17°F), providing a truly immersive experience in an icy wonderland.

During the summer months, the Icehotel melts away, and the construction begins anew each winter. This seasonal cycle allows for fresh artistic designs and innovative concepts to be introduced each year. The Icehotel is not only a place to stay but also a venue for events and art exhibitions. It attracts visitors from all over the world who come to witness its ephemeral beauty and partake in activities like ice sculpting workshops and guided tours.

The Icehotel's commitment to sustainability is evident in its operations. The use of natural materials and the focus on reducing environmental impact highlight its role in preserving the pristine Arctic environment. For those seeking an extraordinary experience, the Icehotel offers a magical escape into a world where ice and snow reign supreme and creativity knows no bounds.

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

31. What feature makes the Icehotel's bar unique?

- a. It is located underwater.
- b. Cocktails are served in glasses made of ice.
- c. It has a live band every night.
- d. It serves food made from ice.

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

32. Which term most accurately describes the Icehotel's approach to environmental impact?

- a. negligible
- b. sustainable
- c. superficial
- d. unsustainable

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

33. In the sentence "The hotel also includes a bar where guests can enjoy cocktails served in glasses made of ice," what grammatical function does "served" perform?
- a. It is a main verb in the sentence.
 - b. It is an adjective modifying "cocktails."
 - c. It is a past participle used in a passive construction.
 - d. It is an adverb describing how cocktails are enjoyed.

Direction for questions (34-36): Read the following passages and answer the following question.

Taylor Swift, an iconic figure in contemporary music, has captivated millions with her evocative songwriting and dynamic performances. Swift's journey from a budding country artist to a global pop sensation is a testament to her versatility and innate talent. Born in Reading, Pennsylvania, she moved to Nashville, Tennessee, at a young age to pursue her dreams. Swift's debut album, released in 2006, featured her distinctive narrative songwriting style, which resonated deeply with listeners.

Her transition from country to pop music marked a significant evolution in her career. With the release of "Red" in 2012, Swift began to experiment with different genres, culminating in the pop-centric "1989," which won the Grammy for Album of the Year in 2016. Hits like "Shake It Off" and "Blank Space" showcased her ability to craft catchy melodies and relatable lyrics, solidifying her status as a pop powerhouse.

Swift's artistry extends beyond music. She has ventured into acting, philanthropy, and advocacy. Her roles in films such as "The Giver" and "Cats" demonstrated her versatility as an entertainer. Moreover, Swift has used her platform to advocate for artists' rights and gender equality, often speaking out on issues that matter to her.

Her albums, including "Lover," "Folklore," and "Evermore," reflect her evolving sound and introspective lyricism. "Folklore," released in 2020, was particularly notable for its indie-folk style, which diverged from her previous pop endeavours. This album, crafted during the global pandemic, offered a sense of solace and introspection, earning critical acclaim and numerous accolades.

Taylor Swift's legacy is characterised by her continual reinvention and profound impact on the music industry. Her ability to connect with audiences through heartfelt storytelling and her unwavering commitment to her craft ensure that she remains a pivotal figure in modern music.

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Information Retrieval

34. Which album is considered a turning point that fully transitioned Taylor Swift from country to pop music?
- a. Fearless
 - b. Speak Now
 - c. Red
 - d. 1989

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Information Retrieval

35. Identify the correct sentence on the basis of tense usage:

- a. Taylor Swift has released the album "1989" in 2014, which won a Grammy for Album of the Year.
- b. Taylor Swift releases the album "1989" in 2014, which won a Grammy for Album of the Year.
- c. Taylor Swift released the album "1989" in 2014, which won a Grammy for Album of the Year.
- d. Taylor Swift releasing the album "1989" in 2014, which won a Grammy for Album of the Year.

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Information Retrieval

36. Taylor Swift's songwriting is often lauded for its poignant themes. What does "poignant" most nearly mean in this context?

- a. touching
- b. sarcastic
- c. detached
- d. melodious

Direction for questions (37-39): Read the following poem by Robert Frost and answer the following question.

The Road Not Taken

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveller, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves, no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less travelled by,
And that has made all the difference.

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

37. How does the theme of individualism manifest in the poem?

- a. the speaker's decision to follow the crowd
- b. Through the speaker's decision to take a less-travelled path
- c. The speaker's regret over not choosing the popular road
- d. the speaker's hesitation to make a decision

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

38. Which line best encapsulates the theme of uncertainty in decision-making?

- a. "Two roads diverged in a yellow wood"
- b. "And sorry I could not travel both"
- c. "I doubted if I should ever come back"
- d. "Oh, I kept the first for another day!"

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

39. How does the ambiguity in the speaker's tone contribute to the overall meaning of the poem?

- a. It shows the speaker's deep satisfaction with the choice made.
- b. It emphasizes the speaker's regret and longing for the road not taken.
- c. It indicates that the speaker views the choice as trivial and unimportant.
- d. It reflects the complexity and uncertainty inherent in making life decisions.

Direction for questions (40-42): Read the given passage and answer the following question.

Dr. Jerry Blaivas is a renowned urologist and one of the leading experts in the field of urology and pelvic floor dysfunction. With over four decades of experience, he has contributed significantly to advancing the treatment of urinary incontinence, bladder disorders, and reconstructive urology. Dr. Blaivas is known for his pioneering work in developing innovative surgical techniques, including procedures for treating complex urinary conditions and pelvic organ prolapse. He is also a prominent educator, having authored numerous research papers, textbooks, and medical publications that have shaped modern urology.

In addition to his clinical expertise, Dr. Blaivas has held various leadership positions in prestigious medical organisations and has been a frequent speaker at international conferences. He is dedicated to patient-centered care, emphasising the importance of understanding each patient's unique needs and tailoring treatments accordingly. Through his extensive research and compassionate approach, Dr. Blaivas has improved the quality of life for countless patients worldwide. His work continues to inspire a new generation of urologists, making him a respected figure in both academic and clinical circles.

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

40. Which of the following best defines the word "prolapse" as used in the passage?
- a procedure used to improve bladder function
 - a condition in which organs shift from their normal position
 - a type of reconstructive surgery
 - a treatment for urinary incontinence
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Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

41. Which of the following best describes Dr. Blaivas' approach to patient care?
- He emphasizes standard treatments for all patients.
 - He focuses solely on surgical solutions for urology.
 - He tailors treatments to each patient's individual needs.
 - He conducts limited research and relies on existing studies.
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Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

42. What does the phrase "shaped modern urology" imply in the context of the passage?
- Dr. Blaivas has revolutionized the way urology is taught and practiced.
 - Dr. Blaivas has only participated in existing urological treatments.
 - Modern urology remains largely unchanged despite his efforts.
 - Dr. Blaivas' work has been minor in the field of urology.
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Direction for questions (43-45): Read the given passage and answer the following question.

Organic foods are cultivated without the use of synthetic chemicals such as pesticides, fertilisers, or genetically modified organisms (GMOs). They are produced through natural and eco-friendly farming techniques that emphasise environmental sustainability and soil preservation. Organic agriculture fosters biodiversity and safeguards ecosystems by promoting natural pest control and minimising pollution. Fruits, vegetables, grains, and dairy products that are organic are often considered healthier due to their lack of harmful chemicals and potentially higher nutritional value compared to conventionally grown alternatives. Many individuals opt for organic food not only for its health advantages but also to endorse sustainable farming practices that are more environmentally responsible. Organic farming also promotes long-term soil health, ensuring that future generations can continue to benefit from fertile land and nutritious crops. Organic livestock farming avoids the use of antibiotics and hormones, ensuring that animals are raised under more humane and ethical conditions. Although organic foods tend to be more costly, their demand continues to rise as people become more conscious of their health and the environment. By choosing organic, consumers contribute to reducing the ecological footprint of agriculture while supporting a healthier and more sustainable lifestyle.

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

43. In the context of the passage, what is the best synonym for endorse in the sentence "Many individuals opt for organic food to endorse sustainable farming practices"?

- a. reject
- b. promote
- c. challenge
- d. limit

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

44. How does organic farming promote biodiversity?

- a. reducing the use of machinery
- b. encouraging natural pest control
- c. using artificial preservatives
- d. genetically modifying crops

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

45. Which of the following sentences correctly uses the word fertile in the context of organic farming?

- a. Organic foods are fertile because they contain no synthetic chemicals.
- b. The soil remains fertile after years of organic farming due to natural methods.
- c. Fertile farming involves adding synthetic fertilizers to the crops.
- d. Animals in organic farms are raised in fertile environments, free from antibiotics.

Answer Key

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