

## MISCELLANEOUS TEST ENGLISH

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### ANSWERS WITH EXPLANATION

In the following questions, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No error'.

1. The Government has declared (1)/that it will launch a three-crores rupees project (2)/ within the next few days. (3)/No error (4)

Ans.(b)'Three – crore' will replace 'three – crores' because –In hyphenated Compound Adjectives, the Noun is used in Singular form. Hence, this three-crore project is the right usage.

2. India has never attacked on any country, (1)/ nor has it ever coveted anyone's territory but (2)/ made supreme sacrifice fighting for others. (3)/ No error (4)

Ans.(a)Drop "on" before 'any country' as no preposition is used after some verbs when these verbs are used in active voice. Example: stress, emphasise, discuss, attack etc.

3. It was in the basis of the new constitution that (1)/ the Committee of Administrators (CoA) and the Electoral Officer (2)/ conducted the BCCI elections on October 23. (3)/ No error (4)

Ans(a)The error is in part 'A' of the sentence as the correct phrase to be used is "on the basis of" which means "because of a particular fact or situation (based on)". So, consider replacing "in" with "on".

4. The students cared (1)/ a little about the (2)/ consequences of their protest. (3)/ No error (4)

Ans(b)Little, as an adverb, is used in a negative sense to mean 'almost not'. Whereas, 'a little' is used in an affirmative sense to mean "slightly or somewhat". In the given sentence, replace "a little" with "little" as the sense of the sentence is: "The students did not care about the consequences of their protest".

5. Unless we do not pay systematic attention (1)/ to the data infrastructure, we are likely to have (2)/ the national discourse hijacked by poor quality data. (3)/ No Error (4)

Ans.(a)Unless means the same as if...not. Unless is used instead of if...not in conditional sentences of all types. Use of “do not” after ‘unless’ makes the sentence superfluous, so consider removing it to make the sentence error free.

6. Being selfless is fine but at times you need (A)/ to be a little selfish and say No if you want (B)/ to keep your mental peace intacted. (C)/ No Error (D)

Ans.(c). There is no such word as ‘intacted’. Hence replace ‘intacted’ with proper adjective ‘intact’ which means ‘not damaged or impaired in any way; complete’.

7. I have never seen such (A)/ movie in my life. (B)/ I wouldn’t recommend it to anyone. (C)/ No Error (D)

Ans.(b). Place article “a” before “movie”. If noun is placed after such, quite, rather, how etc. we use ‘a’ before that noun.

8. The employers, who I worked (A)/ with, were very insensitive (B)/towards employee’s needs.(C)/ No Error (D)

Ans.(a). Here, “The employers, whom I worked with” is the right usage. “Whom” is used in-stead of “who” as the Object of a Verb or Preposition in subordinate clause.

9. We were happy that (A)/ the audience responded well and (B)/ gave all the speakers a patience listening. (C)/ No Error (D)

Ans. (c) Replace ‘a patience listening’ with ‘a patient listening’.

10. If you have a way with words, (A) / a good sense of design and administration ability (B) / you may enjoy working in the high pressure world of advertising. (C) / No Error. (D)

Ans.(b). Use ‘administrative’ (adjective) in place of ‘administration’ (noun).

In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

11. Property inherited from one's father

- (a) Vale
- (b) Patrimony
- (c) Legacy
- (d) Trench

Ans.(b). Patrimony: property inherited from one's father or male ancestor.

**12. Government by person of highest social order**

- (a) Bureaucracy
- (b) Plutocracy
- (c) Democracy
- (d) Aristocracy

**Ans.(d) Aristocracy:** the highest class in certain societies, typically comprising people of noble birth holding hereditary titles and offices.

**13. Study of ancient things like tombs, buried towns**

- (a) Paleontology
- (b) Nomology
- (c) Archaeology
- (d) Genealogy

**Ans.(c) Archaeology** the study of human history and prehistory through the excavation of sites and the analysis of artefacts and other physical remains.

**14. To banish or turn out of society and fellowship**

- (a) Acrobat
- (b) Diatribe
- (c) Ostracise
- (d) Jurist

**Ans.(c) Ostracise:** exclude from a society or group

**15. One who is neither intelligent nor dull**

- (a) Tolerable
- (b) Commoner
- (c) Mediocre
- (d) Diligent

**Ans.(c) Mediocre:** of only average quality; not very good.

**In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives.**

If we can permit ourselves to \_\_\_\_\_ movement fully, we permit ourselves to perceive, think \_\_\_\_\_ reflect. We allow ourselves the privilege of reimagining dance, music, and the way you and I talk, or think, or love. We move \_\_\_\_\_ an incredible space of \_\_\_\_\_, primarily in thought, but perhaps more restrictively in defining \_\_\_\_\_, or maybe even doing away with it.

**16. - ourselves to \_\_\_\_\_ movement fully**

- 1) understood
- 2) understandable
- 3) understandably
- 4) understand

**Answer: understand**

**17. perceive, think \_\_\_\_\_ reflect.**

- 1) but
- 2) nor
- 3) and
- 4) so

**Answer: and**

**18. We move \_\_\_\_\_ an incredible**

- 1) of
- 2) so
- 3) into
- 4) for

**Answer: into**

**19 - space of \_\_\_\_\_, primarily in thought,**

- 1) liberty
- 2) liberation
- 3) liberties
- 4) liberal

**Answer: liberty**

**20 - defining \_\_\_\_\_, or maybe even doing**

- 1) beautifully
- 2) beauty
- 3) beautiful
- 4) beautify

**Answer: beauty**

**In these questions a sentence has been given in Active/Passive Voice. Out of the four alternative suggested below, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in**

### Passive/Active Voice.

**21. Before festivals the shops are thronged with men, women and children making various purchases.**

- (a) During festivals people throng the shops.
- (b) Men, women and children throng the shops before festivals making various purchases.
- (c) Men, women and children make purchases during festivals.
- (d) The shops are thronged by people making purchases.

**Ans.(b)The passive voice of simple present is 'verb 1<sup>st</sup> form'**

**22. He was congratulated by his teacher on his brilliant success in the last examination.**

- (a) His teacher congratulated him on his brilliant success in the last examination.
- (b) His teacher congratulated him for his brilliant success in the last examination.
- (c) His teacher congratulated him on his brilliant success at the last examination.
- (d) His teacher congratulated him.

**Ans.(a)The passive voice of simple present is 'verb 2<sup>nd</sup> form'**

**23. It is your duty to make tea at eleven O'clock.**

- (a) You are asked to make tea at eleven O'clock
- (b) You are required to make tea at eleven O'clock.
- (c) You are supposed to make tea at eleven O'clock.
- (d) Tea is made by you at eleven O'clock.

**Ans.(c)The part 'It is duty' suggests a sense of expectation.**

**In the following questions, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech.**

**24. David said to Anna, "Mona will leave for her native place tomorrow."**

- (a) David told Anna that Mona will leave for her native place tomorrow
- (b) David told Anna that Mona left for her native place the next day
- (c) David told to Anna that Mona would be leaving for her native place tomorrow
- (d) David told Anna that Mona would leave for her native place the next day.

**Ans(d) For the 'past' verb in the reporting speech, the future indefinite in the reported speech will go one step higher.**

**25. Robert said to me, "If I hear any news, I'll phone you."**

- (a) Robert told me that if he heard any new, he will phone me.
- (b) Robert told me that if he will hear any news, he will phone me.
- (c) Robert told me if he had heard any news, he would phone me.
- (d) Robert told me that if he heard any news, he would phone me.

**Ans(d) For the 'past' verb in the reporting speech, the present indefinite and future indefinite in the reported speech will go one step higher.**