

MISCELLANEOUS TEST
ENGLISH

FOR FURTHER CLARIFICATION CONTACT 8617739622 BETWEEN 10 am AND 6pm

ANSWERS WITH EXPLANATION

In the following question, 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. I had asked him (A)/how he could go out (B)/if it started raining. (C)/No error (D)

- A. I had asked him
- B. how he could go out
- C. if it started raining
- D. No error

Ans.(A) Here, Past Simple i.e. I asked him (recent past) should be used.Hence, option A is correct.

2. Another baffling change (A) / that I noticed in him nowadays (B) / is that he avoids speaking to me. (C) / No error (D)

- A. Another baffling change
- B. that I noticed in him now a days
- C. is that he avoids speaking to me
- D. No error

Ans.(B) The sentence shows present time. Hence, Present Simple i.e. that I notice in him now a days (present time) should be used. Hence, option B is correct.

3. It being a rainy day (A) / I will decide to skip work (B) / and stayed at home. (C) / No error (D)

- A. It being a rainy day
- B. I will decide to skip work
- C. and stay at home
- D. No error

Ans.(B) The sentence shows a past event. Hence I decided to skip work ... should be used here.Hence, option B is correct.

4. His voice shook with emotion (A)/and it was so funny to hear him (B)/that all we longed to laugh and to cry. (C)/No error (D)

- A. His voice shook with emotion
- B. and it was so funny to hear him
- C. that all we longed to laugh and to cry
- D. No error

Ans.(C) Here it is position of words related error. Hence, all of us or we all longed to laugh and cry ... should be used here. Hence, option C is correct.

5. Eighty-five thousand rupees (A)/is a large sum of money (B)/to earn in a month. (C)/No error (D)

- A. Eighty-five thousand rupees
- B. is a large sum of money
- C. to earn in a month
- D. No error

Ans.(B) The sentence is absolutely correct and thus has no error in it. Option D is hence the correct answer.

In the following question, 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'.

6. In the circumstance (A) / the manager has (B) / no option (C) / except to resign. (D) / No error (E)

- A. In the circumstance
- B. the manager has
- C. no option

- D. except to resign
- E. No error

Ans.(D) The preposition 'except' is generally followed by a gerund while 'but' is followed by an infinitive. In option D, the preposition 'except', therefore, must be replaced with 'but' to make it a grammatically correct sentence. Hence, option D is correct.

7. It is now (A) / possible for customers (B) / to handle nearly all (C) / their transactions online. (D) / No error (E)

- A. It is now
- B. possible for customers
- C. to handle nearly all
- D. their transactions online
- E. No error

Ans.(E) The sentence is absolutely correct and thus has no error in it. Option E is hence the correct answer.

8. Against his family's wishes (A) / Rajesh plans to (B) / take up a job (C) / as a journalist. (D) / No error (E)

- A. Against his family's wishes
- B. Rajesh plans to
- C. take up a job
- D. as a journalist
- E. No error

Ans.(E) The sentence is absolutely correct and thus has no error in it. Option E is hence the correct answer.

9. After her retiring (A) / she established many (B) / institutions to train (C) / underprivileged but talented children. (D) / No error (E)

- A. After her retiring
- B. she established many
- C. institutions to train
- D. underprivileged but talented children
- E. No error

Ans.(A) In option A, 'retiring' must be replaced with 'retirement' to make

it a grammatically correct sentence. Hence, option A is correct.

10. The company has launched (A) / a creative marketing campaign (B) / to reach for (C) / its rural customers. (D) / No error (E)

- A. The company has launched
- B. a creative marketing campaign
- C. to reach for
- D. its rural customers
- E. No error

Ans.(c) In option C, 'for' is not required as 'reach' need not be followed by a preposition. Hence, option C is correct.

11. Mr Bajaj has resigned (A) / from the post of director (B) / which he holds (C) / for over ten years. (D) / No error (E)

- A. Mr Bajaj has resigned
- B. from the post of director
- C. which he holds
- D. for over ten years
- E. No error (E)

Ans.(c) In option C, 'holds' must be replaced with 'held' to match the tense of the principal clause. Hence, option C is correct.

12. Ram will be suspended (A) / because he opened an account (B) / without obtaining none (C) / of the necessary documents. (D) / No error

- A. Ram will be suspended
- B. because he opened an account
- C. without obtaining none
- D. of the necessary documents
- E. No error

Ans.(c) In part C, two negatives 'without' and 'none' can't go together. 'None' hence must be replaced with 'any' to make it a grammatically correct sentence. Hence, option C is correct.

13. He was not a (A) / good manager because (B) / he did not know (C) / what to react in a crisis. (D) / No error (E)

- A. He was not a
- B. good manager because
- C. he did not know
- D. what to react in a crisis
- E. No error

Ans.(D) In option D, 'what' must be replaced by 'how' for the sentence to make sense.Hence, option D is correct.

14. To improve its efficiency (A) / all income tax officers (B) / will be provide with (C) / laptop next year. (D) / No error (E)

- A. To improve its efficiency
- B. all income tax officers
- C. will be provide with
- D. laptop next year
- E. No error

Ans.(c) In part C, 'provide' must be replaced with 'provided' as the sentence is in passive voice and past participle of the verb is required for the sentence to be grammatically correct.Hence, option C is correct.

15. According to the survey (A) / more of forty per cent (B) / of Indians do not (C) / have access to banks. (D) / No error (E)

- A. According to the survey
- B. more of fourty per cent
- C. of Indians do not
- D. have access to banks
- E. No error

Ans.(B) Under the context, the phrase 'more of' must be replaced with the prepositional phrase 'more than', which means 'over', to make it a grammatically correct sentence. Hence, option B is correct.

In the following questions, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of four alternatives suggested, select the one, which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice.

16. The payment was collected by the hardworking salesman.

- (a) The hardworking salesman collected the payment.
- (b) The salesman who worked hard was able to collect the payment.
- (c) To collect the payment the salesman had to work hard.
- (d) The hardworking salesman was able to collect the payment.

Ans.(a) 'The hardworking salesman collected the payment.'

17. The storm destroyed several huts in the village.

- (a) The storm in the village had destroyed several huts.
- (b) Several huts in the village have been destroyed by the storm.
- (c) The storm was destructive for the several huts in the village.
- (d) Several huts in the village were destroyed by the storm.

Ans.(d) 'Several huts in the village were destroyed by the storm.'

18. The seawater eventually corroded the pillars of the bridge.

- (a) Eventually the pillars of the bridge are being corroded by the seawater.
- (b) Eventually the pillars of the bridge have been corroded by the seawater.
- (c) The pillars of the bridge were eventually corroded by the seawater.
- (d) The pillars of the bridge have been eventually corroded by the seawater.

Ans.(c) 'The pillars of the bridge were eventually corroded by the seawater.'

19. Some farmers raise sugarcane in Kerala.

- (a) Sugarcane is raised by some farmers in Kerala.
- (b) Sugarcane was raised by some farmers in Kerala.
- (c) Sugarcane was being raised by some farmers in Kerala.
- (d) Sugarcane has been raised by some farmers in Kerala.

Ans.(a) 'Sugarcane is raised by some farmers in Kerala.'

20. The professor always answers my questions.

- (a) My questions were always answered by the professor.
- (b) My questions are always answered by the professor.
- (c) My questions were always being answered by the professor.

(d) My questions had always been answered by the professor.

Ans.(b) 'My questions are always answered by the professor.'

21. The office boy vacuums and dusts the office every morning.

- (a) Every morning the office was vacuumed and dusted by the office boy.
- (b) Every morning the office had been vacuumed and dusted by the office boy.
- (c) Every morning the office is vacuumed and dusted by the office boy.
- (d) Every morning the office has been vacuumed and dusted by the office boy.

Ans.(c) 'Every morning the office is vacuumed and dusted by the office boy.'

22. The baby really enjoys that music.

- (a) That music was really enjoyed by the baby.
- (b) That music was really being enjoyed by the baby.
- (c) That music is really enjoyed by the baby.
- (d) This music was really enjoyed by the baby.

Ans.(c) 'That music is really enjoyed by the baby.'

23. The kangaroo carried her baby in her pouch.

- (a) The baby is carried by the kangaroo in her pouch.
- (b) The baby is being carried by the kangaroo in her pouch.
- (c) The baby had been carried by the kangaroo in her pouch.
- (d) The baby was carried by the kangaroo in her pouch.

Ans.(d) 'The baby was carried by the kangaroo in her pouch.'

24. You are requested to permit him.

- (a) Please permit him.
- (b) I request you to permit me.
- (c) He requests to permit him.
- (d) I plead you to permit him.

Ans.(a) 'Please permit him.' The given sentence in the question is in passive voice, you need to convert into active voice.

25. They will have completed the work by the time we get there.

- (a) The work will be completed by the time we get there.
- (b) The work will have been completed by the time we get there.
- (c) The work will have completed by the time we get there.
- (d) The work will have been completed by the time we have got there.

Ans.(b) 'The work will have been completed by the time we get there.'

Four alternatives are given for the Idioms/Phrase printed in bold. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Idiom/Phrase.

26. Whale of a time

- (a) To marry
- (b) Enjoy a lot
- (c) To regret
- (d) A bad memory

Ans.(b) Enjoy a lot

27. An Ananias

- (a) A Liar
- (b) A man with lots of money
- (c) An irritating person
- (d) An important person

Ans.(a) A Liar

28. Wrap one's brain around

- (a) To not mix with others
- (b) To scratch one's head
- (c) Concentrate on something to understand.
- (d) To get aggressive

Ans.(c) Concentrate on something to understand.

29. Bee-line

- (a) The shortest distance between two places
- (b) To be apart by maximum distance

- (c) To fight for one's rights
- (d) To act unfairly in a contest

Ans.(a) The shortest distance between two places

30. To be snowed under

- (a) To be in a dilemma
- (b) To be very busy
- (c) To be under suspicion
- (d) To be at a cold place

Ans.(b) To be very busy

31. Think the world of

- (a) To go on a world trip
- (b) Admire someone very much
- (c) To earn excessively
- (d) Not for any reason

Ans.(b) Admire someone very much

32. Kitty Corner

- (a) Diagonally across
- (b) To understand the details
- (c) To get confused
- (d) To remain joyful in a tough situation

Ans.(a) Diagonally across

33. Lock and key

- (a) To lock something
- (b) In safe place
- (c) To avoid
- (d) To apologize

Ans.(b) In safe place

34. Pore over

- (a) Go through
- (b) Reach to the lowest level
- (c) To refund old dues
- (d) Cheerful

Ans.(a) Go through

35. In awe of

- (a) Have no clear idea
- (b) Respect
- (c) In a precarious/dangerous position
- (d) To take advantage of

Ans.(b) Respect

Out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

36. To remove all objectionable matter

- (a) Expurgate
- (b) Exotic
- (c) Misophonia
- (d) Cheapskate

Ans.(a) expurgate

37. Avoid or try to avoid fulfilling, answering or performing

- (a) Parry
- (b) Ravel
- (c) Surly
- (d) Waive

Ans.(a) parry

38. Someone who acts as an assistant

- (a) Rampart
- (b) Aide
- (c) Tarry
- (d) Noob

Ans.(b) aide

39. A person without a home, job or property

- (a) Derelict
- (b) Hoary
- (c) Coy
- (d) Prattle

Ans.(a)Derelict

40. Excessive publicity

- (a) Pinion
- (b) Hype
- (c) Maraud
- (d) Subaltern

Ans.(b) Hype

In the given passage there are blanks, each of which has four options. Choose the correct option out of those.

Some scholars, while exploring the forests of America, discovered some buildings that were in ruins. These buildings were ...1... ruined by encroaching forest. They were remnants of a ...2... civilization. The scholars got interested. They excavated more and discovered ...3... their utmost surprise the remains of a flourishing civilization-the Mayas ...4... they named it. Thus, it was in as late as ...5... 19th century that the secrets of a new civilization were ...6...The scholars believed that the Mayans must have ...7... the descendants of ancient Egyptians. The fact remains that even today the Mayan culture is one of ...8... most fascinating ancient civilization. This civilization was situated in

the ...9... of Middle America. It covered an area equivalent to that of France ...10... spread across some parts of Mexico. The buildings do tell us about the technological advances they had attained.

- 41.(a) reasonably
- (b) surely
- (c) apparently
- (d) perfectly

Ans.(c) apparently

- 42.(a) great
- (b) new
- (c) old
- (d) ordinary

Ans.(a) great

- 43.(a) at
- (b) for
- (c) by
- (d) to

Ans.(d) to

- 44.(a) when
- (b) while
- (c) them
- (d) as

Ans.(d) as

- 45.(a) the
- (b) a
- (c) an
- (d) at

Ans.(a) the

- 46.(a) unearthed
- (b) unmatched

- (c) surprised
- (d) unparalleled

Ans.(a) unearthed

- 47.(a) been
- (b) become
- (c) being
- (d) seen

Ans.(a) been

- 48.(a) a
- (b) several
- (c) the
- (d) many

Ans.(c) the

- 49.(a) head
- (b) tail
- (c) body
- (d) heart

Ans.(d) heart

- 50.(a) yet
- (b) but
- (c) but also
- (d) and

Ans.(d) and