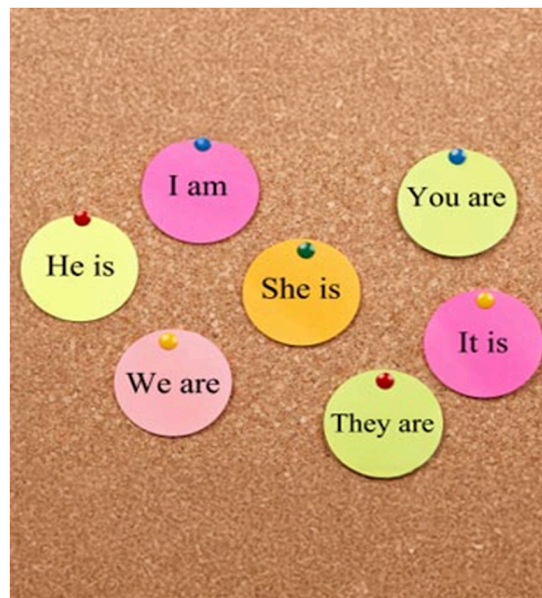


English Grammar

STUDY NOTES

Error Spotting (I)



Error spotting questions are a crucial component of the English Language and Comprehension section. These questions assess a candidate's understanding of grammar, sentence structure, and language proficiency. The primary objective of error spotting is to identify the part of a sentence where a grammatical mistake occurs.

Nouns

A noun is a term that designates a person, location, object, concept, or idea. It functions as the topic or object of a sentence and is one of the fundamental components of speech.

Question 1

The police (a)/ was called immediately (b)/ to control the crowd. (c)/ No error (d).

- 1 (a)
- 2 (b)
- 3 (c)
- 4 (d)

Solution:

The erroneous part is "(b) was called immediately."

Key Points

According to Rule 1, "police" is plural in meaning and always takes a plural verb. The correct verb form here should be "were" instead of "was."

Correct Sentence: The police were called immediately to control the crowd.

Additional Information

- (a) "The police" - This is correct; "police" is used correctly as a plural noun.
(c) "to control the crowd" - This part is grammatically correct.
(d) "No error" - This option is incorrect because there is an error in (b).
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Question 2

She couldn't find her spectacles (a)/ so she borrowed one from her friend (b)/ to read the newspaper. (c)/ No error (d).

- 1 (a)
2 (b)
3 (c)
4 (d)

Solution:

The erroneous part is "(b) one from her friend."

Key Points:

According to Rule 2, "spectacles" is always plural and requires a plural reference. The correct phrase should be "a pair from her friend."

Correct Sentence: She couldn't find her spectacles, so she borrowed a pair from her friend to read the newspaper.

Additional Information

- (a) "She couldn't find her spectacles" - This is correct, as "spectacles" is correctly used in the plural form.
(c) "to read the newspaper" - This part is correct as it completes the sentence logically.
(d) "No error" - This option is incorrect because there is an error in (b).
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Question 3:

The news (a)/ about the project (b)/ were not disclosed to the team. (c)/ No error (d).

- 1 (a)
- 2 (b)
- 3 (c)
- 4 (d)

Solution:

The erroneous part is "(c) were not disclosed to the team."

Key Points:

According to Rule 3, "news" is a singular noun and requires a singular verb. Therefore, "were" should be replaced with "was."

Correct Sentence: The news about the project was not disclosed to the team.

Additional Information:

- (a) "The news" - This part is correct, as "news" is correctly used as a singular noun.
- (b) "about the project" - This part is grammatically correct.
- (d) "No error" - This option is incorrect because there is an error in (c).

Question 4

She bought three dozen (a)/ eggs for the party (b)/ from the nearby store. (c)/ No error (d).

- 1 (a)
- 2 (b)
- 3 (c)
- 4 (d)

Solution:

The sentence has No error.

Key Points:

According to Rule 4, when definite numerals precede nouns of quantity, such as "dozen," they remain unchanged (i.e., not "dozens").

Correct Sentence: She bought three dozen eggs for the party from the nearby store.

Additional Information:

Each option is grammatically correct according to the rule and does not contain any errors.

Question 5

The committee (a)/ have decided to postpone (b)/ the meeting to next week. (c)/ No error (d).

- 1 (a)
- 2 (b)
- 3 (c)
- 4 (d)

Solution:

The erroneous part is "(b) have decided to postpone."

Key points:

According to Rule 5, collective nouns like "committee" can be singular or plural based on whether the members are acting together (singular) or individually (plural). Here, "the committee" is acting as a single entity, so it should take the singular verb "has" instead of "have."

Correct Sentence: The committee has decided to postpone the meeting to next week.

Additional Information:

- (a) "The committee" - This part is correct; "committee" is a valid collective noun.
- (c) "the meeting to next week" - This part is grammatically correct.
- (d) "No error" - This option is incorrect because there is an error in (b).

Question 6

She is one of the players (a)/ who has scored the (b)/ highest runs in the tournament. (c)/ No error (d).

- 1 (a)
- 2 (b)
- 3 (c)
- 4 (d)

Solution: The correct answer is (b).

Key Points:

(b) "who has scored" – Incorrect, because "who" refers to "players," which is plural. The verb should be "have" instead of "has."

Correct Sentence: She is one of the players who have scored the highest runs in the tournament.

Additional Information:

- (a) "She is one of the players" – Correct, as this part identifies "players" as plural.
- (c) "the highest runs in the tournament" – Correct, as "highest runs" is appropriate in this context.
- (d) "No error" – Incorrect, as there is an error in (b).

Question 7

Neither of the two candidates (a)/ are eligible for the position (b)/ according to the guidelines. (c)/ No error (d).

- 1 (a)
- 2 (b)
- 3 (c)
- 4 (d)

Solution: The correct answer is (b).

Key Points:

(b) "are eligible for the position" – Incorrect, because "neither" is singular and should be followed by "is" instead of "are."

Correct Sentence: Neither of the two candidates is eligible for the position according to the guidelines.

Additional Information:

(a) "Neither of the two candidates" – Correct, as "neither" refers to one of two options.

(c) "according to the guidelines" – Correct, as this phrase completes the sentence logically.

(d) "No error" – Incorrect, as there is an error in (b).

Question 8

The number of students (a)/ who requires assistance (b)/ has increased this year. (c)/ No error (d).

1 (a)

2 (b)

3 (c)

4 (d)

Solution: The correct answer is (b).

Key Points:

(b) "who requires assistance" – Incorrect, as "who" refers to "students," which is plural, so it should be "require" instead of "requires."

Correct Sentence: The number of students who require assistance has increased this year.

Additional Information:

(a) "The number of students" – Correct, as "the number" is singular and focuses on the count.

(c) "has increased this year" – Correct, as "the number" is singular, and "has" is appropriate.

(d) "No error" – Incorrect, as there is an error in (b).

Question 9

Each of the employees (a)/ were informed about (b)/ the new company policies. (c)/ No error (d).

- 1 (a)
- 2 (b)
- 3 (c)
- 4 (d)

Solution: The correct answer is (b).

Key Points:

(b) "were informed about" - Incorrect, as "each" is singular, so it should be "was informed."

Correct Sentence: Each of the employees was informed about the new company policies.

Additional Information:

(a) "Each of the employees" - Correct, as "each" takes a singular verb.

(b) "were informed about" - Incorrect, as "each" is singular, so it should be "was informed."

(c) "the new company policies" - Correct, as this phrase completes the meaning.

(d) "No error" - Incorrect, as there is an error in (b).

Question 10

Neither my parents (a)/ nor my brother (b)/ have arrived yet. (c)/ No error (d).

- 1 (a)
- 2 (b)
- 3 (c)
- 4 (d)

Solution: The correct answer is (c).

Key Points:

(c) "have arrived yet" - Incorrect, as "nor my brother" makes "brother" the main subject, requiring "has" instead of "have."

Correct Sentence: Neither my parents nor my brother has arrived yet.

Additional Information:

(a) "Neither my parents" - Correct.

(b) "nor my brother" - Correct.

(d) "No error" - Incorrect, as there is an error in (c).

Question 11

The sceneries (a)/ of this place (b)/ is breathtaking. (c)/ No error (d).

1 (a)

2 (b)

3 (c)

4 (d)

Solution: The correct answer is (a).

Key Points:

(a) "The sceneries" - Incorrect, as "scenery" is an uncountable noun and does not have a plural form. It should be "The scenery."

Correct Sentence: The scenery of this place is breathtaking.

Additional Information:

(b) "of this place" - Correct, as it modifies the scenery.

(c) "is breathtaking" - Correct, as "scenery" is singular and takes "is."

(d) "No error" - Incorrect, as there is an error in (a).

Question 12:

The team (a)/ have given their best (b)/ in this tournament. (c)/ No error (d).

- 1 (a)
- 2 (b)
- 3 (c)
- 4 (d)

Solution: The correct answer is (b).

Key Points:

(b) "have given their best" – Incorrect, as "team" is treated as a singular entity here and should take "has given its best."

Correct Sentence: The team has given its best in this tournament.

Additional Information:

- (a) "The team" – Correct, as "team" is a collective noun.
- (c) "in this tournament" – Correct, as it completes the sentence.
- (d) "No error" – Incorrect, as there is an error in (b).

Question 13

The furniture in this room (a)/ need to be rearranged (b)/ for the event. (c)/ No error (d).

- 1 (a)
- 2 (b)
- 3 (c)
- 4 (d)

Solution: The correct answer is (b).

Key Points:

(b) "need to be rearranged" – Incorrect, as "furniture" is uncountable and singular, so "needs" should be used instead of "need."

Correct Sentence: The furniture in this room needs to be rearranged for the event.

Additional Information:

- (a) "The furniture in this room" – Correct, as "furniture" is an uncountable noun.
 - (c) "for the event" – Correct, as it completes the sentence.
 - (d) "No error" – Incorrect, as there is an error in (b).
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Question 14

This pair of shoes (a)/ are too expensive (b)/ for me to buy. (c)/ No error (d).

- 1 (a)
- 2 (b)
- 3 (c)
- 4 (d)

Solution: The correct answer is (b).

Key Points:

(b) "are too expensive" – Incorrect, as "pair" is singular and should be followed by "is."
Correct Sentence: This pair of shoes is too expensive for me to buy.

Additional Information:

- (a) "This pair of shoes" – Correct, as "pair" is singular.
 - (c) "for me to buy" – Correct, as it completes the sentence.
 - (d) "No error" – Incorrect, as there is an error in (b).
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Question 15

The committee (a)/ have made its decision (b)/ regarding the new policy. (c)/ No error (d).

- 1 (a)

- 2 (b)
- 3 (c)
- 4 (d)

Solution: The correct answer is (b).

Key points:

(b) "have made its decision" – Incorrect, as "committee" is singular in this context and should use "has made its decision."

Correct Sentence: The committee has made its decision regarding the new policy.

Additional Information:

- (a) "The committee" – Correct, as "committee" is a collective noun.
- (c) "regarding the new policy" – Correct, as it completes the sentence.
- (d) "No error" – Incorrect, as there is an error in (b).

Pronouns

A pronoun is a word that is used in place of a noun to make sentences more understandable and prevent repetition. Without giving it a specific name, it alludes to a person, location, object, or concept.

Question 1

Neither of the girls / brought / their / notebooks.

- (A) Neither of the girls
- (B) brought

- (C) their
- (D) notebooks

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "their" – Incorrect, as "Neither of the girls" refers to each girl individually, so it should use "her" instead of "their."

Correct Sentence: Neither of the girls brought her notebook.

Additional Information:

(A) "Neither of the girls" – Correct, as "Neither" correctly indicates that not one of the two girls did the action.

(B) "brought" – Correct, as it fits with the past tense of the sentence.

(D) "notebooks" – Correct, as it completes the sentence appropriately.

Question 2

Each of the members / should present / their / ID card.

- (A) Each of the members
- (B) should present
- (C) their
- (D) ID card

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "their" – Incorrect, as "Each of the members" refers to individual members, so it should use "his or her" instead of "their."

Correct Sentence: Each of the members should present his or her ID card.

Additional Information:

- (A) "Each of the members" – Correct, as "Each" properly refers to individual members in a collective group.
- (B) "should present" – Correct, as it is appropriately structured in the sentence.
- (D) "ID card" – Correct, as it completes the sentence.
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Question 3

You and / me / will go / to the meeting together.

- (A) You and
- (B) me
- (C) will go
- (D) to the meeting together

Solution: The correct answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "me" – Incorrect, as the correct pronoun should be "I" when used in the subject of the sentence.

Correct Sentence: You and I will go to the meeting together.

Additional Information:

- (A) "You and" – Correct, as it is properly structured for the subject of the sentence.
- (C) "will go" – Correct, as it fits with the future tense of the sentence.
- (D) "to the meeting together" – Correct, as it completes the sentence appropriately.
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Question 4

Either of the options / are / acceptable / to him.

- (A) Either of the options
- (B) are
- (C) acceptable
- (D) to him

Solution: The correct answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "are" - Incorrect, as "Either of the options" is singular and should use "is" instead of "are."

Correct Sentence: Either of the options is acceptable to him.

Additional Information:

(A) "Either of the options" - Correct, as "either" correctly indicates a choice between two options.

(C) "acceptable" - Correct, as it fits properly with the sentence structure.

(D) "to him" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.

Question 5

All of the participants / shared / his or her / views on the topic.

(A) All of the participants

(B) shared

(C) his or her

(D) views on the topic

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "his or her" - Incorrect, as "All of the participants" is plural and should use "their" instead of "his or her."

Correct Sentence: All of the participants shared their views on the topic.

Additional Information:

(A) "All of the participants" - Correct, as it correctly refers to a plural subject.

(B) "shared" - Correct, as it is in the appropriate tense and structure for the sentence.

(D) "views on the topic" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.

Question 6

The students / who / lost his / way back were rescued.

- (A) The students
- (B) who
- (C) lost his
- (D) way back were rescued

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "lost his" - Incorrect, as "The students" is plural and should use "their" instead of "his."

Correct Sentence: The students who lost their way back were rescued.

Additional Information:

- (A) "The students" - Correct, as it refers to a plural subject.
 - (B) "who" - Correct, as it is used appropriately to refer to the subject.
 - (D) "way back were rescued" - Correct, as it completes the sentence appropriately.
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Question 7

Each of the employees / must bring / their own / laptop to work.

- (A) Each of the employees
- (B) must bring
- (C) their own
- (D) laptop to work

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "their own" - Incorrect, as "Each of the employees" is singular in this context and should use "his or her" instead of "their."

Correct Sentence: Each of the employees must bring his or her own laptop to work.

Additional Information:

- (A) "Each of the employees" - Correct, as "Each" indicates individual employees within a group.
 - (B) "must bring" - Correct, as it is appropriate for the sentence structure.
 - (D) "laptop to work" - Correct, as it completes the sentence appropriately.
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Question 8

Everyone in the team / must do / their / part diligently.

- (A) Everyone in the team
- (B) must do
- (C) their
- (D) part diligently

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "their" - Incorrect, as "Everyone" is singular and should use "his or her" instead of "their."

Correct Sentence: Everyone in the team must do his or her part diligently.

Additional Information:

- (A) "Everyone in the team" - Correct, as "Everyone" refers to each individual in the team.
 - (B) "must do" - Correct, as it fits appropriately with the sentence structure.
 - (D) "part diligently" - Correct, as it completes the sentence accurately.
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Question 9

Neither of the proposals / seem to / meet / our criteria.

- (A) Neither of the proposals
- (B) seem to
- (C) meet
- (D) our criteria

Solution: The correct answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "seem to" – Incorrect, as "Neither of the proposals" is singular and should use "seems to" instead of "seem to."

Correct Sentence: Neither of the proposals seems to meet our criteria.

Additional Information:

(A) "Neither of the proposals" – Correct, as "Neither" correctly indicates one of the two proposals.

(C) "meet" – Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.

(D) "our criteria" – Correct, as it completes the sentence appropriately.

Question 10

This is / one of those people / who never keeps / his word.

(A) This is

(B) one of those people

(C) who never keeps

(D) his word

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "who never keeps" – Incorrect, as "one of those people" refers to a group of people, so it should use "keep" instead of "keeps."

Correct Sentence: This is one of those people who never keep his word.

Additional Information:

(A) "This is" – Correct, as it introduces the subject properly.

(B) "one of those people" – Correct, as it refers to a group in which the individual belongs.

(D) "his word" – Correct, as it completes the sentence accurately.

Question 11

I / don't understand / whom / is calling.

- (A) I
- (B) don't understand
- (C) whom
- (D) is calling

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "whom" - Incorrect, as "whom" is used as an object, but here the subject of "is calling" is needed, so it should be "who" instead of "whom."

Correct Sentence: I don't understand who is calling.

Additional Information:

- (A) "I" - Correct, as it is the subject of the sentence.
 - (B) "don't understand" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.
 - (D) "is calling" - Correct, as it completes the sentence accurately.
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Question 12

Between you and I, / the project / is a / big success.

- (A) Between you and I
- (B) the project
- (C) is a
- (D) big success

Solution: The correct answer is (A).

Key points:

(A) "Between you and I" - Incorrect, as "Between" should be followed by objective pronouns, so it should be "Between you and me" instead of "Between you and I."

Correct Sentence: Between you and me, the project is a big success.

Additional Information:

- (B) "the project" - Correct, as it refers to the subject of the sentence.
 - (C) "is a" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.
 - (D) "big success" - Correct, as it completes the sentence accurately.
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Question 13

Neither of the players / have / scored / a goal yet.

- (A) Neither of the players
- (B) have
- (C) scored
- (D) a goal yet

Solution: The correct answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "have" - Incorrect, as "Neither of the players" is singular and should use "has" instead of "have."

Correct Sentence: Neither of the players has scored a goal yet.

Additional Information:

- (A) "Neither of the players" - Correct, as it refers to one of two players, which is singular.
 - (C) "scored" - Correct, as it is appropriate for the sentence structure.
 - (D) "a goal yet" - Correct, as it completes the sentence appropriately.
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Question 14

This is / the book / that I wanted / you to bring.

- (A) This is
- (B) the book
- (C) that I wanted

(D) you to bring

Solution: The correct answer is (D).

Key points:

(D) "you to bring" - Incorrect, as the correct form would be "for you to bring."

Correct Sentence: This is the book that I wanted for you to bring.

Additional Information:

(A) "This is" - Correct, as it introduces the subject properly.

(B) "the book" - Correct, as it refers to the object of the sentence.

(C) "that I wanted" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.

Question 15

Either of the two / students can / present their / project tomorrow.

(A) Either of the two

(B) students can

(C) present their

(D) project tomorrow

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "present their" - Incorrect, as "Either of the two" is singular and should use "his or her" instead of "their."

Correct Sentence: Either of the two students can present his or her project tomorrow.

Additional Information:

(A) "Either of the two" - Correct, as "Either" refers to one of the two students.

(B) "students can" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.

(D) "project tomorrow" - Correct, as it completes the sentence appropriately.

Verb

Any term that describes an action, condition, or event is a verb. It describes what the subject does or encounters and is a necessary component of a sentence.

Question 1

He / could hardly / believe his eyes / when he was seeing / the results.

- (A) He
- (B) could hardly
- (C) believe his eyes
- (D) when he was seeing

Solution: The correct answer is (D).

Key points:

(D) "when he was seeing" – Incorrect, as the phrase should use "when he saw" to match the simple past tense for a completed action.

Correct Sentence: He could hardly believe his eyes when he saw the results.

Additional Information:

- (A) "He" – Correct, as it is the subject of the sentence.
- (B) "could hardly" – Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.
- (C) "believe his eyes" – Correct, as it completes the sentence accurately.

Question 2

The teacher / suggested that / each student / submit their / assignments by Friday.

- (A) The teacher

- (B) suggested that
- (C) each student
- (D) submit their

Solution: The correct answer is (D).

Key points:

(D) "submit their" – Incorrect, as "each student" is singular and should use "his or her" instead of "their."

Correct Sentence: The teacher suggested that each student submit his or her assignments by Friday.

Additional Information:

- (A) "The teacher" – Correct, as it is the subject of the sentence.
- (B) "suggested that" – Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.
- (C) "each student" – Correct, as it indicates individual students.

Question 3

The committee / is considering / whether they / should change / their policy.

- (A) The committee
- (B) is considering
- (C) whether they
- (D) should change

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "whether they" – Incorrect, as "committee" is singular, so it should be "whether it" instead of "whether they."

Correct Sentence: The committee is considering whether it should change its policy.

Additional Information:

- (A) "The committee" - Correct, as it is a singular noun used correctly.
(B) "is considering" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.
(D) "should change" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.
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Question 4

She / has been knowing / him / for over a decade.

- (A) She
(B) has been knowing
(C) him
(D) for over a decade

Solution: The correct answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "has been knowing" - Incorrect, as "know" is a stative verb and does not use the continuous form here; it should be "has known."

Correct Sentence: She has known him for over a decade.

Additional Information:

- (A) "She" - Correct, as it is the subject of the sentence.
(C) "him" - Correct, as it completes the sentence structure.
(D) "for over a decade" - Correct, as it indicates the time period.
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Question 5

The manager / insists that / everyone / attends / the weekly meetings.

- (A) The manager
(B) insists that
(C) everyone
(D) attends

Solution: The correct answer is (D).

Key points:

(D) "attends" - Incorrect, as the verb should be in the base form "attend" following "insists that" to express a suggestion or requirement.

Correct Sentence: The manager insists that everyone attend the weekly meetings.

Additional Information:

(A) "The manager" - Correct, as it is the subject of the sentence.

(B) "insists that" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.

(C) "everyone" - Correct, as it refers to the people involved.

Question 6

By the time / he arrived / at the office, / the meeting had already started.

(A) By the time

(B) he arrived

(C) at the office

(D) the meeting had already started

Solution: The correct answer is (D).

Key points:

(D) "the meeting had already started" - Incorrect, as this is a past perfect tense that is correct after the past action "he arrived."

Correct Sentence: By the time he arrived at the office, the meeting had already started.

Additional Information:

(A) "By the time" - Correct, as it introduces the clause appropriately.

(B) "he arrived" - Correct, as it is a simple past action.

(C) "at the office" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.

Question 7

They / will not / tolerate / the employees arriving / late regularly.

- (A) They
- (B) will not
- (C) tolerate
- (D) the employees arriving

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "the employees arriving" - Incorrect, as this phrase could be clearer with "employees arriving late regularly."

Correct Sentence: They will not tolerate employees arriving late regularly.

Additional Information:

- (A) "They" - Correct, as it refers to the subject.
 - (B) "will not" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.
 - (D) "late regularly" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.
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Question 8

The police / has confirmed / that the suspect / fled the scene.

- (A) The police
- (B) has confirmed
- (C) that the suspect
- (D) fled the scene

Solution: The correct answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "has confirmed" - Incorrect, as "police" is a plural noun, so it should use "have" instead of "has."

Correct Sentence: The police have confirmed that the suspect fled the scene.

Additional Information:

- (A) "The police" - Correct, as it is a collective noun.
(C) "that the suspect" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.
(D) "fled the scene" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.
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Question 9

She / wishes she / has bought / the house / last year.

- (A) She
(B) wishes she
(C) has bought
(D) the house

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "has bought" - Incorrect, as it should be in the past perfect tense "had bought" to indicate an action completed in the past.

Correct Sentence: She wishes she had bought the house last year.

Additional Information:

- (A) "She" - Correct, as it is the subject.
(B) "wishes she" - Correct, as it introduces the clause.
(D) "the house" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.
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Question 10

Neither of the players / were able / to score / in the final round.

- (A) Neither of the players
(B) were able
(C) to score
(D) in the final round

Solution: The correct answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "were able" - Incorrect, as "Neither" is singular and should use "was" instead of "were."

Correct Sentence: Neither of the players was able to score in the final round.

Additional Information:

(A) "Neither of the players" - Correct, as it introduces the subject.

(C) "to score" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.

(D) "in the final round" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.

Question 11

The children / enjoys / playing outside / after finishing their homework.

(A) The children

(B) enjoys

(C) playing outside

(D) after finishing their homework

Solution: The correct answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "enjoys" - Incorrect, as "The children" is plural and should use "enjoy" instead of "enjoys."

Correct Sentence: The children enjoy playing outside after finishing their homework.

Additional Information:

(A) "The children" - Correct, as it is a plural subject.

(C) "playing outside" - Correct, as it indicates the action.

(D) "after finishing their homework" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.

Question 12

She / did not / knew / that he had / already left.

(A) She

- (B) did not
- (C) knew
- (D) that he had

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "knew" – Incorrect, as the auxiliary verb "did" requires the base form "know" instead of "knew."

Correct Sentence: She did not know that he had already left.

Additional Information:

- (A) "She" – Correct, as it is the subject.
- (B) "did not" – Correct, as it introduces the negative.
- (D) "that he had" – Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.

Question 13

If he / was knowing / the answer, / he would have replied immediately.

Solution: The coirrect answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "was knowing" – Incorrect, as "know" is a stative verb and should be in the simple past form "knew."

Correct Sentence: If he knew the answer, he would have replied immediately.

Additional Information:

- (A) "If he" – Correct, as it introduces the conditional.
- (C) "the answer" – Correct, as it indicates the object.
- (D) "he would have replied immediately" – Correct, as it completes the sentence.

Question 14

We / were surprised / to see / how quick he responded.

- (A) We

- (B) were surprised
- (C) to see
- (D) how quick he responded

Solution: The correct answer is (D).

Key points:

(D) "how quick he responded" – Incorrect, as it should use the adverb "quickly" instead of "quick."

Correct Sentence: We were surprised to see how quickly he responded.

Additional Information:

- (A) "We" – Correct, as it is the subject.
- (B) "were surprised" – Correct, as it indicates the reaction.
- (C) "to see" – Correct, as it introduces the action.

Question 15

The principal / demanded that / the students / are attending / the assembly.

- (A) The principal
- (B) demanded that
- (C) the students
- (D) are attending

Solution: The correct answer is (D).

Key points:

(D) "are attending" – Incorrect, as it should use "attend" in the base form after "demanded that."

Correct Sentence: The principal demanded that the students attend the assembly.

Additional Information:

- (A) "The principal" – Correct, as it is the subject.
(B) "demanded that" – Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.
(C) "the students" – Correct, as it indicates the group involved.

Adjective

An adjective is a word that adds more details about a noun or pronoun in order to describe or modify it. It provides additional details on a noun's size, color, form, number, quality, and other attributes.

Question 1

This book / is more / preferable / than that one.

- (A) This book
(B) is more
(C) preferable
(D) than that one

Solution: The correct answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "is more" – Incorrect, as "preferable" already implies a comparison, so "more" is redundant.

Correct Sentence: This book is preferable to that one.

Additional Information:

(A) "This book" – Correct, as it is the subject of the sentence.

- (C) "preferable" - Correct, as it is the appropriate adjective.
 - (D) "than that one" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.
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Question 2

She / is the / elder / of the two sisters.

- (A) She
- (B) is the
- (C) elder
- (D) of the two sisters

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "elder" - Incorrect, as "elder" is used for family relations. In comparative contexts between two individuals, "older" is preferred.

Correct Sentence: She is the older of the two sisters.

Additional Information:

- (A) "She" - Correct, as it is the subject of the sentence.
 - (B) "is the" - Correct, as it fits the sentence structure.
 - (D) "of the two sisters" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.
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Question 3

He / is much / taller / than any boy / in the class.

- (A) He

- (B) is much
- (C) taller
- (D) than any boy

Solution: The correct answer is (D).

Key points:

(D) "than any boy" - Incorrect, as "than any other boy" should be used to avoid comparing the subject with himself.

Correct Sentence: He is much taller than any other boy in the class.

Additional Information:

- (A) "He" - Correct, as it is the subject of the sentence.
 - (B) "is much" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.
 - (C) "taller" - Correct, as it indicates comparison.
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Question 4

I / am feeling / much better / now / than yesterday.

- (A) am feeling
- (B) much better
- (C) now
- (D) than yesterday

Solution: The correct answer is (D).

Key points:

(D) "than yesterday" - Incorrect, as "yesterday" should be preceded by "than I did" to complete the comparison correctly.

Correct Sentence: I am feeling much better now than I did yesterday.

Additional Information:

(A) "I" - Correct, as it is the subject of the sentence.

(B) "am feeling" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.

(C) "much better" - Correct, as it indicates comparison.

Question 5

He / is the most / cleverer / student / in the class.

(A) He

(B) is the most

(C) cleverer

(D) student

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "cleverer" - Incorrect, as "most clever" should be used instead of "most cleverer," which is redundant.

Correct Sentence: He is the most clever student in the class.

Additional Information:

(A) "He" - Correct, as it is the subject of the sentence.

(B) "is the most" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.

(D) "student" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.

Question 6

This / is the best / of the / two options.

- (A) This
- (B) is the best
- (C) of the
- (D) two options

Solution: The correct answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "the best" - Incorrect, as "better" should be used when comparing only two options.

Correct Sentence: This is the better of the two options.

Additional Information:

- (A) "This" - Correct, as it is the subject of the sentence.
 - (C) "of the" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.
 - (D) "two options" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.
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Question 7

She is / the more / intelligent / among her / classmates.

- (A) She is
- (B) the more

- (C) intelligent
- (D) among her

Solution: The correct answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "the more" – Incorrect, as "the most" should be used when comparing one individual to a group.

Correct Sentence: She is the most intelligent among her classmates.

Additional Information:

- (A) "She is" – Correct, as it introduces the subject.
 - (C) "intelligent" – Correct, as it describes the subject.
 - (D) "among her" – Correct, as it indicates the comparison group.
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Question 8

The / less said / about his / actions, the better.

- (A) The
- (B) less said
- (C) about his
- (D) actions, the better

Solution: The correct answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "less said" – Incorrect, as "less" should be "the fewer" when referring to countable actions.

Correct Sentence: The fewer said about his actions, the better.

Additional Information:

- (A) "The" - Correct, as it introduces the statement.
 - (C) "about his" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.
 - (D) "actions, the better" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.
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Question 9

Of all the / brothers, he / is the more / studious.

- (A) Of all the
- (B) brothers, he
- (C) is the more
- (D) studious

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "the more" - Incorrect, as "the most" should be used when comparing one person among a group.

Correct Sentence: Of all the brothers, he is the most studious.

Additional Information:

- (A) "Of all the" - Correct, as it introduces the comparison.
 - (B) "brothers, he" - Correct, as it indicates the group being compared.
 - (D) "studious" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.
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Question 10

This is / the first time / I have seen / so a beautiful / place.

- (A) This is
- (B) the first time
- (C) I have seen
- (D) so a beautiful

Solution: The correct answer is (D).

Key points:

(D) "so a beautiful" - Incorrect, as the correct order should be "such a beautiful" instead of "so a beautiful."

Correct Sentence: This is the first time I have seen such a beautiful place.

Additional Information:

- (A) "This is" - Correct, as it introduces the sentence.
 - (B) "the first time" - Correct, as it indicates the timing.
 - (C) "I have seen" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.
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Question 11

She / is good / in mathematics, / but better / in physics.

- (A) She
- (B) is good
- (C) in mathematics
- (D) but better in physics

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "in mathematics" - Incorrect, as "good at" is the correct phrase instead of "good in."

Correct Sentence: She is good at mathematics, but better in physics.

Additional Information:

(A) "She" - Correct, as it is the subject of the sentence.

(B) "is good" - Correct, as it introduces the adjective phrase.

(D) "but better" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.

Question 12

His performance / was / much superior / than expected.

(A) His performance

(B) was

(C) much superior

(D) than expected

Solution: The correct answer is (C).

Key points:

(C) "much superior" - Incorrect, as "to" should be used instead of "than" after "superior."

Correct Sentence: His performance was much superior to expected.

Additional Information:

(A) "His performance" - Correct, as it introduces the subject.

(B) "was" - Correct, as it is the verb of the sentence.

(D) "than expected" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.

Question 13

The / two friends / are / as different as / night than day.

- (A) two friends
- (B) are
- (C) as different as
- (D) night than day

Solution: The correct answer is (D).

Key points:

(D) "night than day" - Incorrect, as "as different as night and day" is the correct expression.

Correct Sentence: The two friends are as different as night and day.

Additional Information:

- (A) "The" - Correct, as it introduces the sentence.
 - (B) "two friends" - Correct, as it indicates the subject.
 - (C) "are" - Correct, as it is the verb.
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Question 14

This is / the unique / opportunity / to learn.

- (A) This is
- (B) the unique
- (C) opportunity

(D) to learn

Solution: The correct answer is (B).

Key points:

(B) "the unique" - Incorrect, as "unique" is an absolute adjective and does not need "the."

Correct Sentence: This is a unique opportunity to learn.

Additional Information:

(A) "This is" - Correct, as it introduces the sentence.

(C) "opportunity" - Correct, as it describes the noun.

(D) "to learn" - Correct, as it completes the sentence.

Question 15

Of the / two solutions, / I believe this / is more simpler.

(A) Of the

(B) two solutions

(C) I believe this

(D) is more simpler

Solution: The correct answer is (D).

Key points:

(D) "more simpler" - Incorrect, as "more" and "simpler" should not be used together; only "simpler" is correct.

Correct Sentence: Of the two solutions, I believe this is simpler.

Additional Information:

(A) "Of the" - Correct, as it introduces the phrase.

(B) "two solutions" - Correct, as it indicates the options.

(C) "I believe this" - Correct, as it fits with the sentence structure.

