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“Find the Error” Questions for IBPS Clerk Pre & SBI Clerk Pre Exam

Find the Error Quiz 26

Directions: In each of the questions, a sentence is divided into four parts in which one of the parts is given in bold and is grammatically and contextually correct. You have to identify which fragment, apart from the bold one, is correct in terms of grammar and usage.

1. **Nine months after the Union Cabinet’s** (A)/ in-principal nod for offloading the (B)/ government’s stake in Air India, the (C)/ ball has finally been set rolling to privatize the bleating airline. (D)

A. Rest of the fragments have error B. B C. C D. D E. No error

2. Even till the election over, the Egyptian establishment (A)/ is conscious that the conditions that yielded (B)/ the mass protests for 2011 still persist, (C)/ **particularly economic hardship and political repression.** (D)

A. A B. B C. C D. Rest of the fragments have error E. No error

3. Russia made headlines on all the wrong reasons when (A)/ a clutch of countries led by the U.S. expelled more than 100 (B)/ **of its diplomats and intelligence officers over suspicion** (C)/ that a Kremlin was behind a nerve agent attack on a Russian spy. (D)

A. A B. B C. Rest of the fragments have error D. D E. No error

4. The ripple affect of the ball tampering (A)/ scandal have certainly not missed India, (B)/ **where a large section demanded that** (C)/ Smith and Warner be axed from the Indian Premier League. (D)

A. A B. B C. Rest of the fragments have error D. D E. No error

5. For the sake of young Pakistanis, who want to be citizens of a functioning (A)/ **state, a reimagining of Pakistan is needed, going beyond the bitterness** (B)/ of the 1947 Partition and the subsequent disasters (C)/ inflicted upon Pakistanis by their own rulers and leaders. (D)

A. A B. Rest of the fragments have error C. C D. D E. No error

6. The educational level of farmers has (A)/ a significant impact on there (B)/ capacity to adopt and inculcate new (C)/ **methods of cultivation and input management.** (D)
- A. A B. B C. C D. Rest of the fragments have error E. No error
7. The electronic National Agriculture Market is launched (A)/ by Government on April, 2016 and aims at integrating (B)/ the dispersed APMCs through an electronic platform (C)/ **to enable price discovery in a competitive manner.**(D)
- A. A B. B C. C D. Rest of the fragments have error E. No error
8. The decline in the convince rate for crimes (A)/ against Dalits has created an impression who (B)/ this may be driven by false filing of cases but (C)/ **data from NCRB does not seem to support this contention.**(D)
- A. A B. B C. C D. Rest of the fragments have error E. No error
9. **What is worrying in the entire Cambridge Analytica fiasco is the** (A)/ spotlight it has thrown in how information can be used to create psychological (B)/ profiles of Facebook users and direction political messages to (C)/ people in ways that could manipulate our deepest emotions and impulses.(D)
- A. Rest of the fragments have error B. B C. C D. D E. No error
10. India currently meets almost 90% (A)/ **of its annual requirement of solar panels** (B)/ through imports impending the growth of a (C)/ nascent domestic solarmanufacturing sector. (D)
- A. A B. Rest of the fragments have error C. C D. D E. No error

Correct Answers:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
C	B	B	D	E	A	C	C	C	A



Explanations:

1. **Fragment A**, in bold, is already correct.

Fragment B: **in-principal** nod for offloading the

The error lies in using in-principal which means *major* instead of in-principle which means 'as a general idea or plan, although the details are not yet established'.

Correct: **in-principle** nod for offloading the

Fragment D: ball has finally been set rolling to privatize the **bleating** airline

Here, the error is due to incorrect usage of the word *bleating* which refers to *speaking in a weak way* and does not make sense here. The correct word would be *bleeding* which here refers to *lossmaking*.

Correct: ball has finally been set rolling to privatize the **bleeding** airline

Fragment C is correct.

Hence, option C is correct.

2. **Fragment D**, in bold, is already correct.

Fragment A: Even **till** the election over, the Egyptian establishment

The error lies in using *till* with *even*. On reading the statement, it is clear that the elections have already taken place in Egypt. Hence, the correct preposition would be *with*.

Correct: Even **with** the election over, the Egyptian establishment

Fragment C: the mass protests **for** 2011 still persist,

Here, the fragment tries to talk about the protests which occurred in 2011. The correct preposition to convey the same is *of* and not *for*.

Correct: the mass protests **of** 2011 still persist,

Fragment B is correct.

Hence, option B is correct.

3. Fragment C, in bold, is already correct.

Fragment A: Russia made headlines **on** all the wrong reasons when

The error lies in using *on* which makes it sound as if the headlines were written on reasons which is absurd. The correct preposition here would be *for*. This implies that Russia was in the news for inappropriate reasons.

Correct: Russia made headlines **for** all the wrong reasons when

Fragment D: that **a** Kremlin was behind a nerve agent attack on a Russian spy.

Here, Kremlin is a specific location and thus, use of article *a* is incorrect. Instead, *the* should be used here.

Correct: that **the** Kremlin was behind a nerve agent attack on a Russian spy.

Fragment B is correct.

Hence, option B is correct.

4. Fragment C, in bold, is already correct.

Fragment A: Russia The ripple **affect** of the ball tampering

The error lies in using *affect* meaning *influence* rather than *effect* which means *consequence*.

Correct: The ripple **effect** of the ball tampering

Fragment B: scandal **have** certainly not missed India,

Here, the error lies with respect to *subject-verb agreement*. The scandal being talked about is *singular* and hence *has* would be used here.

Correct: scandal **has** certainly not missed

India, Fragment D is correct.

Hence, option D is correct.

5. All the fragments are correct.

Hence, option E is correct.

6. **Fragment D, in bold, is already correct.**

Fragment A: a significant impact on **there**

The error lies in using *there* instead of *their*. *Their* refers to the farmers.

Correct: a significant impact on **their**

Fragment C: capacity to adopt and **inculpate** new

Here, the error lies with respect to usage of the word *inculpate* meaning *accuse or blame* and does not make sense here. The correct word would be *inculcate* meaning to *instil (an idea, attitude, or habit) by persistent instruction*.

Correct: capacity to adopt and **inculcate** new

Hence, option A is correct.

7. **Fragment D, in bold, is already correct.**

Fragment A: The electronic National Agriculture Market **is** launched

The error lies in using *is* instead of *was*. Fragment B states e-NAM was launched in 2016 i.e. past. Hence, *is* incorrect.

Correct: The electronic National Agriculture Market **was** launched

Fragment B: by Government **on** April, 2016 and aims at integrating

Here, the error lies with respect to use of *on* instead of *in*. The general rule is- if just the month/year is given without a specific date, use *in* while for a specific date, we use *on*. Correct: by Government **in** April, 2016 and aims at integrating

Fragment C is correct.

Hence, option C is correct.

8. Fragment D, in bold, is already correct.

Fragment A: The decline in the **convince** rate for crimes

Convince means to persuade someone and is simply absurd. The correct word here would be *conviction* meaning *being sentenced to jail*.

Correct: The decline in the **conviction** rate for crimes

Fragment B: against Dalits has created an impression **who**

Here, the error lies with respect to use of *who* instead of *that*. *Who* is used for living beings while for inanimate objects, *that* is used.

Correct: against Dalits has created an impression **that**

Fragment C is correct.

Hence, option C is correct.

9. Fragment A, in bold, is already correct.

Fragment B: spotlight it has thrown **in** how information can be used to create psychological The correct phrase is to throw the spotlight **on** someone/something. Throwing the spotlight on something means to highlight something.

Correct: spotlight it has thrown **on** how information can be used to create psychological

Fragment C: profiles of Facebook users and **direction** political messages to

Here, the correct word would be **direct** meaning *to control/manage/steer* something. Correct: profiles of Facebook users and **direct** political messages to

Fragment D is correct.

Hence, option D is correct.

10. Fragment B, in bold, is already correct.

Fragment C: through imports **impending** the growth of a

The error lies in usage of incorrect word *impending* which means *something that is about to happen*. The correct word is *impeding* which means *to obstruct/hinder*.

Correct: through imports **impeding** the growth of a

Fragment D: **nasal** domestic solar manufacturing sector.

Here, the error lies with respect to use of *nasal* which means *relating to the nose* instead of *nascent* which means *just coming into existence*.

Correct: **nascent** domestic solar manufacturing sector.

Fragment A is correct.

Hence, option A is correct.



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