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Find the Error Quiz 35

Directions : In each of the questions, a sentence has been divided into four parts, one of which may contain an error. Identify that fragment and mark it as your answer. The words in bold are contextually and grammatically correct. Mark (E) if the sentence contains no error.

1. Angela Merkel said she would **prefer** to hold a fresh election in spite of **than** lead a minority government.

- A. Angela Merkel said she
B. would prefer to hold
C. a fresh election in spite of
D. than lead a minority government.
E. No error

2. Ratko Mladic, the commander of Bosnian-Serb forces **during** the Bosnian wars of the 1990s, was sentenced to life imprisonment **by a UN tribunal** for genocide and other crimes against humanity.

- A. Ratko Mladic, the commander of Bosnian-Serb forces
B. during the Bosnian wars of the 1990s,
C. was sentenced to life imprisonment by a UN tribunal for
D. genocide and other crimes against humanity.
E. No error

3. Saad Hariri "temporarily" suspended his resignation as prime minister of Lebanon **after** returning home for the first time since announcing his intention **to quit** in a speech made from Saudi Arabia.

- A. Saad Hariri "temporarily" suspended his resignation as
B. prime minister of Lebanon after returning home
C. for the first time since announcing his intention to
D. quit in a speech made from Saudi Arabia.
E. No error

4. The merger of AT&T and Time Warner is a vertical **one**, integrating telecom distribution with media **content**.

- A. The merger of AT&T and Time Warner is a
B. vertical one, integrating
C. telecom distribution
D. with media content.
E. No error

5. Around 59,000 Haitians who have been living in the United States **since** an earthquake in 2010 damaged much of their country face deportation inside **the** next two years.

- A. Around 59,000 Haitians who have been living
- B. in the United States since an earthquake in 2010
- C. damaged much of their country face
- D. deportation inside the next two years.
- E. No error

6. Earlier this **year**, a judgments by the Uttarakhand High Court, stating that Ganga and Yamuna rivers **are** “living entities”, captured the national imagination.

- A. Earlier this year, a judgments by
- B. the Uttarakhand High Court, stating that
- C. Ganga and Yamuna rivers are “living entities”,
- D. captured the national imagination.
- E. No error

7. The Centre **would** do well to reconsider its draft **and** limit its scope to providing relief to women, in spite of creating a new offence out of a civil matter.

- A. The Centre would do well to
- B. reconsider its draft and limit its scope to
- C. providing relief to women,
- D. in spite of creating a new offence out of a civil matter.
- E. No error

8. So long **as** consumers have unrestricted excess to deposits, **their** faith in the banking system is maintained.

- A. So long as consumers have
- B. unrestricted excess to deposits,
- C. their faith in the
- D. banking system is maintained.
- E. No error

9. With the discovery of the planet Kepler 90i, orbiting **the** star Kepler 90, we now know of other star **besides** the Sun that has eight planets orbiting it.

- A. With the discovery of the planet
- B. Kepler 90i, orbiting the star Kepler 90
- C. we now know of other star besides
- D. the Sun that has eight planets orbiting it.
- E. No error

10. The desirable **qualifications** are a doctoral degree in Indian literature **or** language and knowledge of book production.

- A. The desirable qualifications are
- B. a doctoral degree in Indian
- C. literature or language and knowledge
- D. of book production.
- E. No error

Correct Answers:

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

Explanations :

1. Fragment C has an error: instead of *in spite of* which does not fit in with *than lead a minority*, the correct phrase will be '*rather than lead a*'.

Correct form: Angela Merkel said she would **prefer** to hold a fresh election rather **than** lead a minority government.

Hence, option C is correct.

2. Fragment C has an error: instead of *life imprison*, the correct phrase would be either *life imprisonment* or *life in prison*.

Correct form: Ratko Mladic, the commander of Bosnian-Serb forces **during** the Bosnian wars of the 1990s, was sentenced to life in prison **by a UN tribunal** for genocide and other crimes against humanity.

Hence, option C is correct.

3. Fragment C has an error: instead of *intonation* (*which means tone/accent*), the correct word is *intention* *which means purpose/goal*.

Correct form: Saad Hariri "temporarily" suspended his resignation as prime minister of Lebanon after returning home for the first time since announcing his intention to quit in a speech made from Saudi Arabia.

Hence, option C is correct.

4. The fragments are correct and hence there is no error.

Option E is correct.

5. Fragment D has an error: instead of *inside*, the correct word is *within*.

Correct form: Around 59,000 Haitians who have been living in the United States since an earthquake in 2010 damaged much of their country face deportation within the next two years.

Hence, option D is correct.

6. Fragment A has an error. The statement talks about a single judgement and hence, the correct word is *judgment* instead of *judgments*.

Correct sentence: Earlier this **year**, a judgment by the Uttarakhand High Court, stating that Ganga and Yamuna rivers **are** “living entities”, captured the national imagination.

Hence, option A is correct.

7. Option D has an error with respect of the use of phrase “in spite of” in the sentence. The phrase is used to denote a contradiction between the two statements, but here the former is the alternative course of action of latter.

Thus, adverb ‘instead’ which means “alternatively” would be more appropriate in such scenario.

Correct sentence- The Centre **would** do well to reconsider its draft **and** limit its scope to providing relief to women, *instead* of creating a new offence out of a civil matter.

Hence option D is correct.

8. Fragment B is erroneous.

Excess means *an overabundance of something*. This is incorrect with respect to the context and needs to be changed.

The correct word is *access* which means the *means or opportunity to approach or enter a place*.

Correct sentence: So long **as** consumers have unrestricted access to deposits, **their** faith in the banking system is maintained.

Hence, option B is correct.

9. Option C has an error with respect to use of adjective ‘other’. ‘Other’ is used with plural nouns whereas here the noun ‘star’ is singular. Thus “another” is more suitable here, as it is used with singular noun to express one more/ additional quantity.

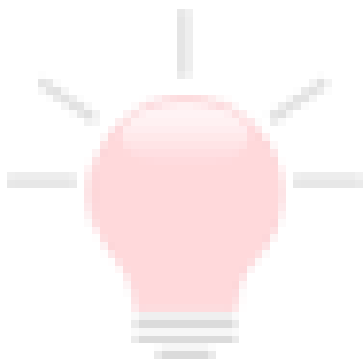
Correct sentence- With the discovery of the planet Kepler 90i, orbiting **the** star Kepler 90, we now know of *another* star **besides** the Sun that has eight planets orbiting it.

Hence option C is correct.

10. All the options are grammatically and contextually correct.

Thus No error is there in any of the given options.

Hence option E is correct.



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