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Find the Error for RBI Asst. Pre and IBPS Clerk Pre Exams

Find the Error Quiz 85

Directions: Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. Mark the parts with the error as your answer. If there is No error, mark (E). (Ignore errors of punctuation, if any)

- 1. Bike-commuting saves (A) / everyone's time and (B) / is an efficient way (C) / to get for place to place. (D) / No error (E)**
A. B B. C C. D D. A E. No error
- 2. If I had had (A) / breakfast this morning, (B) / I wouldn't have (C) / ordered Pizza for lunch. (D) / No error (E)**
A. C B. B C. D D. A E. No error
- 3. Precise, well-documented informations are (A) / far more convincing (B) / than general and (C) / unsubstantiated opinion. (D) / No error (E)**
A. C B. D C. A D. B E. No error
- 4. The discreet spy work (A) / was completed (B) / by a network of (C) / high trained agents. (D) / No error (E)**
A. C B. D C. A D. B E. No error
- 5. The apples grown (A) / in Kashmir are (B) / better in quality (C) / than elsewhere. (D) / No error (E)**
A. C B. A C. D D. B E. No error

6. The results of the study (A) / which the scientists published (B) / rather than end the controversy, only aggravated (C) / the division between them. (D) / No error (E)
- A. B B. C C. A D. D E. No error
7. Railroad workers found (A) / him hung from a tree (B) / days later in (C) / an apparent suicide. (D) / No error (E)
- A. B B. A C. D D. C E. No error
8. Modi is both a mass (A)/ communicator and an (B)/ excellent moderator in (C)/ multi-direction communication (D)/ No error (E)
- A. A B. B C. C D. D E. E
9. The World Food Programme plays (A)/ a key role in multilateral (B)/ co-operative in making food security (C)/ an instrument of peace. (D)/ No error (E)
- A. E B. A C. B D. D E. C
10. The coronavirus pandemic has (A)/ contributed to a strong (B)/ asperge in the number of (C)/ victims of hunger in the world. (D)/ No error (E)
- A. B B. C C. E D. D E. A



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Explanation:

1. Fragment D is erroneous.

Reason:

Here, usage of the preposition 'for' is ungrammatical. Instead of 'for' the preposition 'from' should be used here to make the sentence grammatically correct.

Correct Sentence:

Bike-commuting saves everyone's time and is an efficient way to get **from** place to place.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

2. The sentence is absolutely correct and therefore there is no error in it.

Option E is hence the correct answer.

3. Fragment A is erroneous.

Reason:

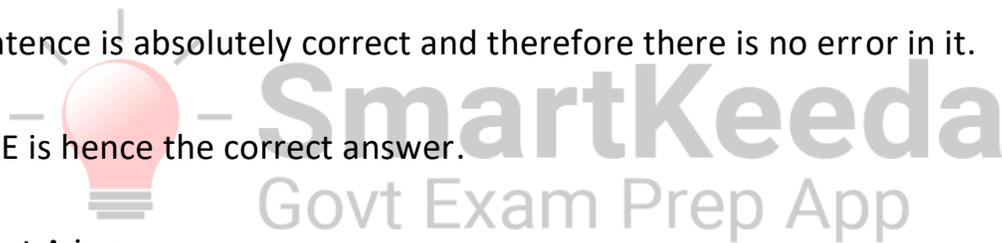
Here, usage of 'informations' as well as 'are' is ungrammatical.

The noun 'information' is an uncountable one and is always used without 's'. Besides, the verb following it should be singular too.

Correct Sentence:

Precise, well-documented **information is** far more convincing than general and unsubstantiated opinion.

Option C is hence the correct answer.



4. Fragment D is erroneous here.

Reason:

Here, the noun 'agents' is being modified by the adjective 'trained' and therefore the adjective 'trained' should be modified by an adverb whereas 'high' is an adjective.

Therefore, 'high' should be replaced by the adverb 'highly' to make it a grammatically correct sentence.

Correct Sentence:

The discreet spy work was completed by a network of **highly** trained agents.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

5. Fragment D is erroneous.

Reason:

This fragment lacks parallelism.

In the sentence, the apples grown in Kashmir are being compared. Evidently, they should be compared with the apples grown in some other place whereas in the given sentence they are being compared with the place itself.

Ex. The bitter taste of coffee beans is better than this new drink. (Incorrect)

Ex. The bitter taste of coffee beans is better than the bitter taste of this new drink. (Correct)

Therefore, the phrase 'the apples grown' should be inserted right before 'elsewhere' in fragment D to make it a grammatically correct sentence.

Correct Sentence:

The apples grown in Kashmir are better in quality than **the apples grown** elsewhere.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

6. Fragment C is erroneous here.

'Rather than' construction has to be based on the main verb. If the main verb – 'aggravated' is in the present 'rather than' can be followed by a bare verb (end) or a gerund (ending). But if the main verb is in the past – only a gerund can follow the main verb. Therefore, statement C should read: rather than ending the controversy ...

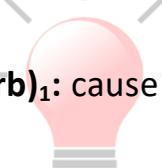
Correct Sentence:

The results of the study which the scientists published rather than **ending** the controversy, only aggravated the division between them.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

7. Fragment B is erroneous here.

Usage of the verb 'hung' is illogical here. Instead of 'hung', 'hanged' should have been used to make the sentence contextually correct.

 **Hang (Verb)₁**: cause to be hanging or suspended. **Past participle:** Hung

Hang (Verb)₂: kill by hanging. **Past Participle:** Hanged

Correct Sentence:

Railroad workers found him **hanged** from a tree days later in an apparent suicide.

Option A is hence the correct answer.

8. Fragment D is erroneous because it uses 'multi-direction' before 'communication'. The use of 'multi-direction' here is to modify the noun 'communication' and so, its correct form of adjective is 'multi-directional'.

Correct sentence: Modi is both a mass communicator and an excellent moderator in **multi-directional** communication.

Hence, the correct answer is option D.

9. The error lies in fragment C. The word 'co-operative' should be replaced by 'co-operation'.

Co-operative (adjective): marked by a willingness and ability to work with others

Co-operation (noun): common effort

Correct sentence: The World Food Programme plays a key role in multilateral **co-operation** in making food security an instrument of peace.

Hence, the correct answer is option E.

10. In the above sentence, the word 'asperge' is wrongly used. It should be replaced by 'upsurge'.

Upsurge: a rapid or sudden rise

Asperge: to sprinkle especially with holy water

Correct sentence: The coronavirus pandemic has contributed to a strong **upsurge** in the number of victims of hunger in the world.

Hence, the correct answer is option B.



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