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Sentence Correction Quiz 32

Directions: In this question, a part of the sentence is made bold. Below are given alternatives to the bold part at (A), (B), (C) and (D) which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no replacement is needed, mark (E) as your answer.

(1). One school of thought believes that **the planet is warming** without humans doing anything to make it happen.

- (A). the planet is warming it (B). the planet is warming itself
(C). the planet is warming themselves (D). the planet is warming oneself
(E). No correction required

(2). A **dollar weak index and lower US** treasury yield are also making the yellow metal attractive for investors.

- (A). dollar weaker index and lower US (B). dollar weak index and low US
(C). weak dollar index and US lower (D). weak dollar index and lower US
(E). No correction required

(3). Entrepreneurs **should put down some money** in a contingency fund even before starting their business.

- (A). should putting down some money (B). should put by some money
(C). should have put down some money (D). should had put by some money
(E). No correction required

(4). We must do everything we possibly can **sooner than we think we can**, and more brilliantly and imaginatively than we think possible.

- (A). sooner when we think we can (B). more sooner than we think we can
(C). later than we think we can (D). latest than we think we can
(E). No correction required

(5). Most of us recognise **our moral obligation towards** leave children a decent future, which obviously includes a decent planet.

- (A). our moral obligations towards (B). our moral obligatory towards
(C). our moral obligatory to (D). our moral obligation to
(E). No correction required

(6). Despite the political collusion, our suspicious chief minister has kept her **comrades at arming lengths**.

- (A). comrades at arming length (B). comrades at arm's lengths
(C). comrades at arm's length (D). comrades in arm's length
(E). No correction required

(7). Extensive digital campaigns and the lack of **better alternatives brought out** BJP's unprecedented victory.

- (A). better alternatives bringing out (B). better alternatives brought about
(C). better alternatives brought round (D). better alternatives brought up
(E). No correction required

(8). A **pincing movement of interesting corporate** and political pressure combined with regulatory overdrive has cramped the autonomy of the teacher.

- (A). pincer movement of interesting corporate
(B). pincing movement of corporate interest
(C). pincer movement of corporate interest
(D). pincing movement in interesting corporate
(E). No correction required

(9). In private spaces too, heckling **may amount to a breach of** privacy, which includes the right to be left alone.

- (A). may amount to a breach in (B). may amount to a breach from
(C). may amount to a breach out of (D). may amount in a breach of
(E). No correction required

(10). **With the advent from** new age digital and social media, fake news has pervaded all spheres of life, political and social.

- (A). With the adventure of (B). With the avalanche of
(C). With the anticipation of (D). With the advent of
(E). No correction required



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Correct answers

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

Explanations:

(1). The original sentence is erroneous.

Reason: The reflexive pronoun 'itself' is missing in the given sentence. Reflexive pronouns reflect the action back onto the subject. A reflexive pronoun should be used with a transitive verb and it can never be used as a subject in a sentence. Hence 'itself' should be used after 'warming' in order to make the sentence grammatically correct.

Among the given choices, only option B replaces the given bold part most appropriately.

The sentence after replacement becomes:

One school of thought believes that the planet is warming itself without humans doing anything to make it happen.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

(2). The original sentence is incorrect.

Reason: The writer is referring to the 'dollar index'. The U.S. Dollar Index is an index (or measure) of the value of the United States dollar relative to a basket of foreign currencies. According to the given sentence, the dollar index has become weak. Therefore, a 'weak dollar index' should be used here instead of 'dollar weak index' so as to make the sentence correct.

The sentence after replacement becomes:

A weak dollar index and lower US treasury yield are also making the yellow metal attractive for investors.

Option D is hence the correct answer.

(3). The original sentence is erroneous.

Reason: Usage of the phrasal verb 'put down' which means 'suppress' is inappropriate in this sentence.

'Put by' which means 'lay aside for time of need' would be suitable in this context.

E.g.: I try to put by some money every month.

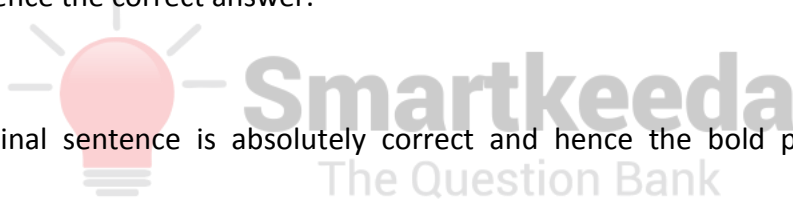
Hence 'put aside' should be used in place of 'put down' to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.

Among the given choices, only option B replaces the given bold part most appropriately.

The sentence after replacement becomes:

Entrepreneurs should put by some money in a contingency fund even before starting their business.

Option B is hence the correct answer.



(4). The original sentence is absolutely correct and hence the bold part needs no replacement.

Option E is hence the correct answer.

(5). The original sentence is erroneous.

Reason: The word 'obligation' must be followed the preposition 'to' instead of 'towards' in this context. The word 'obligation' means 'duty or commitment'.

Hence, the preposition 'to' should be used in place of 'towards' in order to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.

Among the given choices, only option D replaces the given bold part most appropriately.

The sentence after replacement becomes:

Most of us recognise our moral obligation to leave children a decent future, which obviously includes a decent planet.

Option D is hence the correct answer.

(6). The original sentence is erroneous.

Reason: The correct idiomatic expression is 'at arm's length' and not 'at arming lengths'.

At arm's length (Idiom):

Meaning: Avoiding intimacy or close contact.

E.g.: John always keeps his friends at arm's length, so that no one gets close enough to hurt his feelings.

Hence 'at arm's length' should be used in place of 'at arming lengths' to make the sentence grammatically correct.

Among the given choices, only option C replaces the given bold part most appropriately.

The sentence after replacement becomes:

Despite the political collusion, our suspicious chief minister has kept her comrades at arm's length.

Option C is hence the correct answer.



(7). The original sentence is erroneous.

Reason: Usage of the phrasal verb 'bring out' which means 'to make apparent' is inappropriate in this sentence.

'Bring about' which means 'to make something happen' would be suitable in this context.

E.g.: Major spending is required to bring about substantial improvements in housing.

Hence 'brought about' should be used in place of 'brought out' to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.

Among the given choices, only option B replaces the given bold part most appropriately.

The sentence after replacement becomes:

Extensive digital campaigns and the lack of better alternatives brought about BJP's unprecedented victory.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

(8). The original sentence is erroneous.

Reason: The word 'pincing' should be replaced with 'pincer' to make the sentence correct. The term 'pincer movement' is used in reference to a situation involving pressure from two different sides or forces.

E.g.: We are now caught in the pincer movement of rising domestic costs and a rising exchange rate.

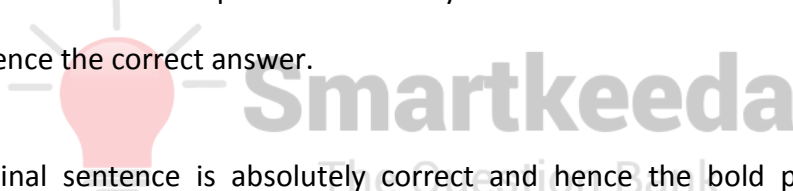
Moreover, the sentence does not imply that corporate is interesting. It is referring to what is of interest to the corporates. Hence 'corporate interest' should be used in place of 'interesting corporate' to make the sentence grammatically correct.

Among the given choices, only option C replaces the given bold part most appropriately.

The sentence after replacement becomes:

A pincer movement of corporate interest and political pressure combined with regulatory overdrive has cramped the autonomy of the teacher.

Option C is hence the correct answer.



(9). The original sentence is absolutely correct and hence the bold part needs no replacement.

Option E is hence the correct answer.

(10). The original sentence is erroneous.

Reason: The word 'advent' must be followed the preposition 'of' instead of 'from' in this context. The expression 'advent of' means 'the arrival of'.

Hence 'of' should be used in place of 'from' to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.

Among the given choices, only option D replaces the given bold part most appropriately.

The sentence after replacement becomes:

With the advent of new age digital and social media, fake news has pervaded all spheres of life, political and social.

Option D is hence the correct answer.

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