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Sentence Corrections Questions for IBPS PO Pre, IBPS SO Pre, IBPS Clerk, SBI PO Pre and SBI Clerk

Sentence Correction Quiz 37

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 has to **elbow once ways through** the crowd in order to see the exquisite idols during Durga Puja in Kolkata.

- (A). to elbow once way through (B). to elbow one's ways through
(C). to elbow one's way through (D). to elbow one's way throughout
(E). No correction required

(2). Both the US and China are formidable world powers but **India should side with the later**.

- (A). India should side along the later. (B). India should side with the latter.
(C). India should side along the latter. (D). India should be siding with the later.
(E). No correction required

(3). It wouldn't be **wise for India to go out** America's verbal assurance unless it is supported by actions.

- (A). wise for India for going out (B). wise for India to go by
(C). wise for India to go into (D). wise for India to go down
(E). No correction required

(4). Amidst the gloom, **the functioning of the** Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code is cause for optimism.

- (A). the functions of the (B). the functions for the

(C). the function for the (D). the functionings of the

(E). No correction required

(5). The accumulated dust on the **furnitures indicated that the family were** long gone.

(A). furnitures indicated that the family were

(B). furnitures indicated that the family was

(C). furniture indicated that the family was

(D). furniture indicating that the family was

(E). No correction required

(6). Businesses that **are zealous with improvement** and perform swot analysis periodically are the ones that remain in the game in the long run.

(A). are jealous for improvement

(B). are zealous with improvement

(C). are zealous for improving

(D). are zealous for improvement

(E). No correction required

(7). It is highly likely that the swindler diamond merchant had inside help because **anyone with halves of the eyes** could have easily detected the fraud.

(A). anyone with half of the eyes

(B). anyone with halving an eye

(C). anyone with half an eye

(D). anyone with half eyes

(E). No correction required

(8). Newspapers say that Naina is **Aishwarya Rai of the future**.

(A). Aishwarya Rai of future

(B). the Aishwarya Rai future

(C). the Aishwarya Rai of the future

(D). Aishwarya Rai in the future

(E). No correction required

(9). The lack of uniform guidelines, regulations and policies regarding fabricated content **needs to be addressed urgently**.

(A). need to be addressed urgently

(B). needs to be addressed urgent

(C). needs addressing urgent

(D). needs to being addressed urgently

(E). No correction required

(10). The movie **managed to beating the odd** and did surprisingly well at the box office despite negative reviews from critics.

(A). managed to beating the odds

(B). managed to beat the odd

(C). managed to beat the odds

(D). managing beating the odds

(E). No correction required



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Correct answers:

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

Explanations:

(1). The original sentence is erroneous.

Reason: The correct idiomatic expression is 'elbow one's way through' and not 'elbow once ways through'.

Elbow one's way (Idiom):

Meaning: To force one's way in, to, or through a crowded place, as by pushing other people with one's elbows.

E.g.: We had to elbow our way through the crowd to board the train on time.

Hence 'elbow one's way through' should be used in place of 'elbow once ways through' 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:

One has to elbow one's way through the crowd in order to see the exquisite idols during Durga Puja in Kolkata.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

(2). The original sentence is erroneous.

Reason: The word 'later' means 'at a time in the near future' and is unsuitable in this sentence. The correct word to be used here is 'latter' which means 'denoting the second or second mentioned of two people or things.' Hence 'latter' should be used in place of 'later' 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:

Both the US and China are formidable world powers but India should side with the latter.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

(3). The original sentence is erroneous.

Reason: Usage of the phrasal verb 'go out' which means 'be extinguished' is inappropriate in this sentence.

'Go by' which means 'to accept what someone or something says when you are deciding what to do or think' would be suitable in this context.

E.g.: Going by what Tim said, we should be there by mid-afternoon.

Hence 'go by' should be used in place of 'go 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:

It wouldn't be wise for India to go by America's verbal assurance unless it is supported by actions.

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 incorrect

Reason: There are two errors in the bold part.

Firstly, the term 'furniture' is a collective noun. Collective nouns are used in singular form. Therefore, 'furnitures' must be replaced by 'furniture' in order to make the sentence correct.

Secondly, the word 'family' has been used in singular form and should be followed by a singular verb. Therefore, 'were' should be replaced by 'was' in order to make it a grammatically correct sentence.

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

The sentence after replacement becomes:

The accumulated dust on the furniture indicated that the family was long gone.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

(6). The original sentence is erroneous.

Reason: The word 'zealous' must be followed the preposition 'for' instead of 'with' in this context. The expression "zealous for" means 'passionate about'.

Hence 'for' should be used in place of 'with' 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:

Businesses that are zealous for improvement and perform swot analysis periodically are the ones that remain in the game in the long run.

Option D is hence the correct answer.

(7). The original sentence is erroneous.

Reason: The correct idiomatic expression is 'half an eye' and not 'halves of the eyes'.

Half an eye (Idiom):

Meaning: Intermittent or half-hearted attention.

E.g.: Anyone with half an eye could see Susan's antagonism towards her.

Hence 'half an eye' should be used in place of 'halves of the eyes' 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:

It is highly likely that the swindler diamond merchant had inside help because anyone with half an eye could have easily detected the fraud.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

(8). The original sentence is incorrect.

Reason: The article 'the' should be used before a proper noun when the proper noun is used as a common noun. Here, the famous actress Aishwarya Rai has been referred to as a benchmark. The writer wants to convey that Naina would be as great an actress in the future as Aishwarya Rai currently is. Therefore, the article 'the' should be used before 'Aishwarya Rai' so as to make the sentence correct.

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

The sentence after replacement becomes:

Newspapers say that Naina is the Aishwarya Rai of the future.

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 correct idiomatic expression is 'to beat the odds' and not 'to beating the odd'.

Beat the odds (Idiom):

Meaning: To succeed despite not having a good chance of succeeding.

E.g.: Most new restaurants fail, but this one somehow managed to beat the odds.

Hence 'to beat the odds' should be used in place of 'to beating the odd' 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:

The movie managed to beat the odds and did surprisingly well at the box office despite negative reviews from critics.

Option C is hence the correct answer.



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