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Sentence Correction Questions for SBI Clerk Pre, IBPS Clerk Pre, RBI Assistant Pre and LIC Assistant Pre Exams.

Sentence Correction Quiz 47

Directions: Which of the phrases A, B, C and D given below each sentence should replace the word/phrase printed in bold in the sentence to make it grammatically correct. If the sentence is correct as it is given and no correction is required, mark E as the answer.

1. I jump through hoop to finish this project in time but was not rewarded adequately.

		B. jumping for hooping E. No correction required	C. jumped on hoop				
2.	Akshay considered Suresh a complete pain in the neck as he kept asking baseless questions.						
-	ing in the neck in necking	B. painless neck E. No correction required	C. painful neck				
3.	We went to the famous i	restaurant to eat and were serv e	ed pipe hot food.				
	e pipe hotten E. No correction required		C. served piping hot				
4.	In order to earn decent living we need to have a good job which pays a substantial amount of money.						
	ed decency in life ed decently life	B. earn a decent life E. No correction required	C. earn a decent living				
5.	Despite the introduction of several programmes for holistic development of handloom clusters, the weavers live hand to mouthful.						
	handful to mouthful handful to mouth	B. live hand to mouth E. No correction required	C. living hands to mouth ed				
6.	Since books are quite ex	pensive than, many children do	not have access to them.				
	e expensive than expensive for	B. so expensive than E. No correction required	C. very expensive				

7. At the meeting they told us what kind of difficulties we **may likely to face** while establishing a rural branch.

A. may like to face	B. were being faced	C. could be likely face
D. Would be likely to face	E. No correction required	

8. What response you get to the proposal that you circulated among our investors?

- A. responses have you D. did you respond
- B. response did you E. No correction required
- C. were your responses
- **9.** One of our representatives will meet you at the airport **and accompanies you** to our office.
- A. and accompany you B. to accompany
- D. will be accompanied by you E. No correction required
- C. accompanying you

10. I knew that **because I refused** to accept the old man's gift I had hurt his feelings.

- A. not to refuse D. should I refused
- B. be refusal E. No correction required
- C. If I refused

Correct A	answers:			S	m	ar	tk	(e	e	la
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	A	E	C	C	Be	С	e Spill	DB	A	E



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Explanations:

1. Jump through hoops (Idiom):

To go through an elaborate or complicated procedure in order to achieve an objective.

Ex. The banks make you beg for a loan and they make you jump through hoops to get it.

'Jump through hoops' is an idiomatic expression and we can't change an idiomatic expression from its original form. However, as the sentence is made in the past the verb 'jump' should be used in its past form; jumped.

Therefore, among the choices available option A replaces the bold part most appropriately.

Correct Sentence:

I jumped through hoops to finish this project in time but was not rewarded adequately.

Hence, option A is correct.

2. The sentence given is absolutely correct and hence requires no change.

Pain in the neck (Idiom):

Someone or something that's is difficult or annoying.

Hence, option E is correct.

3. Piping hot (Adjective):

Food or water that is piping hot is very hot.

Ex. ... large cups of piping-hot coffee.

Clearly, the phrase 'pipe hot' as used in the sentence is wrong and must be replaced by 'piping hot' to make the sentence grammatically correct.

Correct Sentence:

We went to the famous restaurant to eat and were **served piping hot** food.

Hence, option C is correct.



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4. First of all, the phrase 'in order to' is followed by an infinitive (To + Verb1). Therefore, options A and D get eliminated.

Earn a living (Idiom):

To earn the money needed for food, clothing, etc.

Ex. She's just trying to earn a living.

Clearly, the article 'a' is missing the given sentence and the phrase in bold must be replaced by option C to make it perfect.

Correct Sentence:

In order to **earn a decent living** we need to have a good job which pays a substantial amount of money.

Hence, option C is correct.

5. As the sentence is made in simple present tense, usage of the verb 'live' is absolutely correct in the sentence.

Hand to mouth (Idiom):

Satisfying only one's immediate needs because of lack of money for future plans and investments.

Ex. They were flat broke and living hand to mouth.

Clearly, option B replaced the bold part most appropriately to make the sentence correct.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

6. The original sentence is incorrect.

We have to understand that the preposition 'than' is used to introduce the second element in a comparison. However, in the given statement, option A and option B no second element is present. Hence, option A and B get eliminated immediately.

Usage of the adverb 'too' comes with an infinitive (to + Verb₁).

Ex. He is too weak to walk.Ex. Meera is too strong to be beaten.

This eliminates option D as well.

Clearly, option C replaces the phrase given in bold most appropriately.

Correct Sentence:

Since books are **very expensive**, many children do not have access to them. Hence, option C is correct. **7.** As we know that both 'may' and 'likely to' imply possibilities, usage of both for one particular subject is ungrammatical. Hence, the original sentence is incorrect.

Secondly, as the sentence is made in the past tense, the helping verb has to be in past too. Therefore, 'may', 'will', 'can' won't be appropriate here. This eliminates option A immediately.

Option B 'were being fixed' is illogical in the context of the sentence.

Option C 'could be likely face' will be ungrammatical as 'likely to' should have been used here in place of 'likely'.

Clearly, option D 'would be likely to face' replaces the phrase given in bold most appropriately.

Correct Sentence:

At the meeting they told us what kind of difficulties we **would be likely to face** while establishing a rural branch.

Hence, option D is the correct answer.

8. The original sentence is ungrammatical as the verb 'did' is absent in the sentence.

As we can observe that the sentence is made in the past tense, 'What response' must be immediately followed by 'response did'. Hence, options A, C and D get eliminated immediately.

However, option B 'response did you' replaces the phrase given in bold most appropriately.

Hence, option B is correct.

9. The original sentence is incorrect as it lacks parallelism. As the helping verb 'will' takes a verb in its present form after it, usage of 'accompanies' is ungrammatical here.

Evidently, option A 'and accompany you' replaces the phrase given in bold most appropriately.

Correct Sentence:

One of our representatives will meet you at the airport and accompany you to our office.

Hence, option A is correct.

10. The original sentence is absolutely correct and needs no replacement.

Hence, option E is correct.



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