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(1) In each of the following questions, find out which part of the sentence has an error.

[A] Jayesh loved his Guru immensely
[B] and gave him fullest loyalty,
[C] yet he had his own
[D] independent way of thinking.
[E] No error.

**Answer : [D]**

**Explanation:** way of thinking

(2) In each of the following questions, find out which part of the sentence has an error.

[A] Foolishly Madhu threw
[B] some water on the electric heater
[C] when it catches fire
[D] and she got a shock.
[E] No error.

**Answer : [C]**

**Explanation:** when it caught fire

(3) In each of the following questions, find out which part of the sentence has an error.

[A] He loosened his temper
[B] whenever he knows
[C] things do not take place
[D] as per his planning.
[E] No error.

**Answer : [A]**

**Explanation:** he lost his temper

(4) In each of the following questions, find out which part of the sentence has an error.

[A] Very few employees
[B] in our company are
[C] so dedicated as
[D] Mahesh will.
(5) In each of the following questions, find out which part of the sentence has an error.

[A] In order to save petrol,
[B] motorists must to
[C] be very cautious
[D] while driving along the highways.
[E] No error.

Answer: [B]

Explanation: Motorists have to

(6) They have built a perfect dam across the river.

[A] Across the river a perfect dam was built.
[B] A perfect dam has been built by them across the river.
[C] A perfect dam should have been built by them.
[D] Across the river was a perfect dam.

Answer: [B]

(7) Who is creating this mess?

[A] Who has been created this mess?
[B] By whom has this mess been created?
[C] By whom this mess is being created?
[D] By whom is this mess being created?

Answer: [D]

(8) James Watt discovered the energy of steam.

[A] The energy of steam discovered James Watt.
[B] The energy of steam was discovered by James Watt.
[C] James Watt was discovered by the energy of steam.
[D] James Watt had discovered energy by the steam.

Answer: [B]
(9) A child could not have done this mischief.
[A] This mischief could not be done by a child.
[B] This mischief could not been done by a child.
[C] This mischief could not have been done by a child.
[D] This mischief a child could not have been done.

Answer: [C]

(10) I cannot accept your offer.
[A] Your offer cannot be accepted by me.
[B] I cannot be accepted by your offer.
[C] The offer cannot be accepted by me.
[D] Your offer cannot be accepted.

Answer: [A]

(11) The train will leave at 8.30 pm, we have been ready by 7.30pm so that, we can reach the station in time.
[A] were
[B] must be
[C] are
[D] should have
[E] No correction required

Answer: [B]

(12) He hesitated to listen to what his brother was saying.
[A] listened to hesitate
[B] hesitated listen to
[C] hesitates to listening
[D] is hesitated to listen to
[E] No correction required

Answer: [E]

(13) If I would have realised the nature of job earlier, I would not have accepted it.
[A] If I have had
[B] In case I would have
[C] Had I been
[D] Had I

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(14) **What happens to all those travellers on the ship was not known?**

[A] What happened of  
[B] What happened in  
[C] What is that happens to  
[D] What happened to  
[E] No correction required  

**Answer : [D]**

(15) **The long or short of it is that I do not want to deal with that new firm.**

[A] The long and short of it  
[B] The long and short for it  
[C] The long or short for it  
[D] The shot and long for it  
[E] No correction required  

**Answer : [A]**

(16) **Besides other provisions, that shopkeeper deals ..... cosmetics.**

[A] with  
[B] in  
[C] at  
[D] for  

**Answer : [B]**

(17) **Walking at 3’o clock, I heard the ..... of thunder.**

[A] crackle  
[B] rumble  
[C] ripple  
[D] clank  

**Answer : [B]**
(18) Now, the management graduate can expect to have a prosperous life on a ...... income without having to depend on finding a place in family business having to tend the paternal estates.

[A] professional  
[B] regular  
[C] meaningful  
[D] dependable  
Answer : [B]

(19) He is so ...... to light that he never leaves the house without sunglasses.

[A] insensitive  
[B] sensitive  
[C] afraid  
[D] immune  
Answer : [B]

(20) A man remains narrow minded, self compliance and ignorant unless he visits other people and ...... from them.

[A] earns  
[B] borrows  
[C] learns  
[D] hears  
Answer : [C]