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English Language - Error Spotting

English

Q:1 Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

Despite a spirited poll campaign, Mr. Gandhi could not reverse the fortunes of the party that had already being in a free-fall.

1. Mr. Gandhi could not reverse
2. Despite a spirited poll campaign
3. that had already being in a free-fall
4. the fortunes of the party

Q:2 In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error.

My father always prefers sleeping in a relaxed atmosphere than one full of tension and anxiety.

1. sleeping in a relaxed
2. of tension and anxiety
3. My father always prefers
4. atmosphere than one full

Q:3 Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

Whenever you try to compare between the two, you should be careful that quality is most important than quantity.

1. the two, you should be careful
2. that quality is most
3. important than quantity
4. Whenever you try to compare between

Q:4 In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error.

Popular pizza outlet Domino's India seems to have fall victim to a cyber attack.

1. Domino's India seems
2. victim to a cyber attack
3. Popular pizza outlet
4. to have fall

Q:5 In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error.

If you're among them who dream of making their mark in the field of space, you're in luck.

1. who dream of making
2. their mark in the field
3. If you're among them
4. of space, you're in luck

Q:6 In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error.

Over 150 crows were found dead in three districts of the Jammu region triggering a bird flu scare and samples have sent for testing.

1. and samples have sent for testing
2. districts of the Jammu region
3. Over 150 crows were found dead in three
4. triggering a bird flu scare

Q:7 In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error.

Yet another vulnerability have been found in WhatsApp that can allow attackers to access the sensitive information of users.

1. found in WhatsApp that
2. can allow attackers to
3. Yet another vulnerability have been
4. access the sensitive information of users

Q:8 In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error.

It is a captivating portrayal of the badminton champ's dedication to became no 1 player.

1. of the badminton
2. to became no 1 player
3. champ's dedication
4. It is a captivating portrayal

Q:9 Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

India has substantially reduced its rate of poverty, though at cost of increasing economic inequality.

1. increasing economic inequality
2. though at cost of
3. India has substantially reduced
4. its rate of poverty

Q:10 Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

Occasional accidents in a industry dealing in explosive materials may seem inevitable.

1. explosive materials
2. may seem inevitable
3. dealing in
4. Occasional accidents in a industry

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Answer Key

1. (3)	2. (4)	3. (2)	4. (4)	5. (3)
6. (1)	7. (3)	8. (2)	9. (2)	10. (4)

Answers and Solutions

Q:1 The correct answer is option 3 i.e. that had already being in a free-fall.

The error lies in part 3 of the statement because of the wrong use of Form of Verb.

Concept-

- We need to replace 'being' with 'been' for making the sentence grammatically correct.
- The construction is - subject + had + v3 + object.
- According to this construction we need to use 'been' after 'had'.

The correct sentence will be-

Despite a spirited poll campaign, Mr. Gandhi could not reverse the fortunes of the party that had already been in a free-fall.

Q:2 The correct answer is Option 4 i.e. atmosphere than one full.

- The error lies in **this segment** of the statement because of the wrong use of 'Adjective'.
- We need to replace 'Than' with 'To' for making the statement grammatically correct.

Grammatical concept:-

- When used to state a preference for one thing over another, the verb **prefer** is usually followed by the preposition **to** 'prefer one to the other'.
- The chosen option contains the error hence, it will be the correct choice.

Correct Sentence:-

*My father always prefers sleeping in a relaxed **atmosphere to one full** of tension and anxiety.*

Q:3 The correct answer is option 2 i.e. that quality is most.

The error lies in part 2 of the statement because of the wrong use of the Degree of Comparison.

Concept-

- We need to use 'more' at the place of 'most' for making the statement grammatically correct.
- As there is 'comparison' written in the statement it

means we need to follow the structure of comparative degree.

- The correct structure is- more + adjective +than.
- As the necessary change follows this structure it will be correct.

The correct sentence will be-

Whenever you try to compare between the two, you should be careful that quality is more important than quantity.

Q:4 The correct answer is Option 4 i.e. to have fall.

- The error lies in **this segment** of the statement because of the wrong use of 'Verb Form'.
- We need to replace 'Fall' with 'Fallen' for making the statement grammatically correct.

Grammatical concept:-

- "Have/Has" is followed by the 'Past Participle' form of the verb.
- The past participle form of the verb 'Fall' is 'Fallen' hence, it will be correct.
- The chosen option contains the **ERROR** hence, it will be the correct choice.

Correct Sentence:-

*Popular pizza outlet Domino's India seems **to have fallen** victim to a cyber attack.*

Q:5 The correct answer is Option 3 i.e. If you're among them.

- The error lies in **this segment** of the statement because of the wrong use of 'Relative Pronoun'.
- We need to replace 'Them' with 'Those' for making the statement grammatically correct.

Grammatical concept:-

- 'Who' is used for the subjective case of a noun/pronoun.
- 'Them' is an objective case hence, we need to replace it with 'Those' that is used to refer to a noun.
- The chosen option contains the **ERROR** hence, it will be the correct choice.

Correct Sentence:-

***If you're among those** who dream of making their mark in the field of space, you're in luck.*

Q:6 The correct answer is Option 1 i.e. and samples

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have sent for testing.

- The error lies in this segment of the statement because of the wrong use of 'Voice'.
- We need to replace 'Have sent' with 'Have been sent' for making the statement grammatically correct.

Grammatical concept:-

- In the given statement, 'Samples' is not the doer hence, we need to keep the verb of the second statement in the 'Passive Voice'.
- The chosen option contains the error hence, it will be the correct choice.

Correct Sentence:-

Over 150 crows were found dead in three districts of the Jammu region triggering a bird flu scare and samples have been sent for testing.

Q:7 The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Yet another vulnerability have been.**

- The error lies in **this segment** of the statement because of the wrong use of 'Subject-verb agreement'.
- We need to replace 'Have' with 'Has' for making the statement grammatically correct.

Grammatical concept:-

- **Subjects** and **verbs** must **AGREE** with one another in number (singular or plural). Thus, if a **subject** is singular, its **verb** must also be singular; if a **subject** is plural, its **verb** must also be plural.
- The subject of the given statement is 'Vulnerability' which is singular hence, we need to use a singular verb here.
- The chosen option contains the **ERROR** hence, it will be the correct choice.

Correct Sentence:-

Yet another vulnerability has been found in WhatsApp that can allow attackers to access the sensitive information of users.

Q:8 The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **to became no 1 player.**

- The error lies in **this segment** of the statement because of the wrong use of 'Infinitive'.
- We need to replace 'Became' with 'Become' for making the statement grammatically correct.

Grammatical concept:-

- 'Infinitive' is the use of 'To + v1' in a statement after using the main verb.
- 'Became' is the **v2** form of the verb hence, we need to change it into the first form of the verb 'V1'.
- The chosen option contains the **ERROR** hence, it will be the correct choice.

Correct Sentence:-

It is a captivating portrayal of the badminton champ's dedication to become no 1 player.

Q:9 The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **increasing economic inequality.**

The error lies in part 2 of the statement because of the wrong use of the Article.

Concept-

- We need to use 'the' before 'cost' for making the statement grammatically correct.
- There is construction - The + Noun + of + Noun, because of this construction we need to use 'the'.
- 'The cost of increasing economic' will be the right phrase.

The correct sentence will be-

India has substantially reduced its rate of poverty, though at the cost of increasing economic inequality.

Q:10 The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **Occasional accidents in a industry.**

The error lies in part 4 of the statement because of the wrong use of the Article.

Concept-

We need to replace 'a' with 'an' for making the statement grammatically correct.

As 'industry' starts with a vowel sound we need to use the article 'an' before it.

The correct sentence will be-

Occasional accidents in an industry dealing in explosive materials may seem inevitable.