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English Language - Error Spotting

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Q:1 Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'

She introduced to (A) / the owner of the (B) /company as the (C) / Host of the party. (D)/ No Error (E)

- 1. A) She introduced to
- 2. B) the owner of the
- 3. C) company as the
- **4.** D) host of the party
- **5.** E) No error

Q:2 Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'

Her younger sister (A) / is more brilliant (B) / than her because (C)/ she comes first in class. (D)/ No Error (E)/

- 1. A
- **2.** B
- **3**. C
- **4**. D
- **5**. E

Q:3 Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. Select 'No Error', if a sentence is free from error.

That was (A) / not quite (B) / all what I did (C) / during the vacation. (D) / no error (E)

- **1.** A
- **2.** B
- **3**. C
- **4.** D
- **5**. E

Q:4 Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'

The boy and his dog (A)/ who had entered (B)/ my house were locked (C)/as they were stealing. (D)/No error (E)

- **1.** A
- **2.** B
- **3**. C
- **4**. D
- **5**. E

Q:5 Find out which part of the sentence has an

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error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'.

Both brothers yelled (A)/ at one another in/(B)front of people (C)/ and started fighting. (D)/ No error. (E).

- **1.** A
- **2.** B
- **3**. C
- **4.** D
- **5**. E

Q:6 Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'.

Neither of the five (A)/applicants are appropriate (B)/ for this position,/ (C)so all are disqualified. (D) / No error. (E)

- **1.** A
- **2.** B
- **3**. C
- **4**. D **5**. E
- Q:7 The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them may contain an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options. If you don't find any error, mark 'No error' as your answer.

Our neighbour / was always told us / funny jokes and stories.

- 1. funny jokes and stories
- 2. was always told us
- 3. No error
- 4. Our neighbour
- 5. None of these

Q:8 The following sentence has been split into four segments. Identify the segment that contains a grammatical error.

By this time tomorrow, / you will be playing / the violin / for 48 hours.

- 1. you will be playing
- 2. By this time tomorrow,
- 3. for 48 hours
- 4. the violin
- 5. None of these

Q:9 The following sentence has been split into four



















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segments. Identify the segment that contains a grammatical error.

He reached quickly because / five miles were not / a long distance for / a young man like him.

- 1. He reached quickly because
- 2. a long distance for
- 3. five miles were not
- 4. a young man like him
- 5. None of these

Q:10 The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them may contain an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options. If you don't find any error, mark 'No error' as your answer.

Dan needed help / to get the / tight coat of him

- 1. No error
- 2. Dan needed help
- 3. to get the
- 4. tight coat of him
- 5. None of these











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

Answers and Solutions

Q:1 The correct answer is option 1 i.e. A) She introduced to.

The error lies in part A of the sentence and hence the correct answer is Option 1. We will add 'herself' after 'introduced'. After the words like hurt, cheat, prostrate, introduce, present, absent, satisfy, lay; we commonly use reflexive pronoun. Reflexive pronoun redirects a sentence or a clause back to the subject, which is also the direct object of that sentence. A reflexive pronoun comes when the subject performs its action upon itself.

The correct sentence should be: She introduced herself to the owner of the company as the Host of the party.

Q:2 The correct answer is option 3 i.e. C.

The error lies in part C of the sentence and hence the correct answer is Option 3.

We will replace 'her' with 'she'.

To decide whether to use the subject or object pronoun after the words 'than', mentally complete the sentence.

In the case of a pronoun coming after 'than', it must be in the same case as that coming before 'than'.

If we mentally complete the sentence, we would say Her younger sister is more brilliant than she is. Therefore, **she** is the correct answer.

Q:3 The correct answer is option 3 i.e. C.

The correct answer is option 3 because the error lies in part C of the sentence. The mistake lies in the incorrect usage of the interrogative pronoun 'what'. It should be replaced with the relative pronoun 'that.' The pronoun 'that' should be used to introduce clauses, and 'what' should be used when it is the object of the clause you will introduce. For examples:

He needs a laptop that works.

Mahima agreed with what her mom said. Moreover, 'all what' is always wrong to write. You

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should use 'all that' instead of 'all what.'

Thus the correct sentence is: 'That was not quite all that I did during the vacation.'

Q:4 The correct answer is option 2 i.e. B.

The error lies in part B of the sentence and hence the correct answer is Option 2. We will replace 'who' with 'that'. Relative pronouns introduce the relative clause and are used to make clear what is being talked about in a sentence. They describe something more about the subject or the object. 'Who' is used for people and replaces subject pronouns like I, she, he, we, they. 'That' is used for people and things mainly for defining clauses.

Q:5 The correct answer is option 2 i.e. B.

The error lies in part B of the sentence and hence the correct answer is Option 2.

One another is incorrectly used here. We will replace 'one another' with 'each other'.

Both are used when two or more people do the same work. But "each other" is used to represent that each person in a group does something to the other. Each person receives the advantage of the

Therefore, the reciprocal pronoun **'each other'** here will be more relevant.

Q:6 The correct answer is option 2 i.e. B.

The error lies in part B of the sentence and hence the correct answer is Option 2. In the sentence above, the pronoun 'neither' has been used. 'Neither' is always singular, and it should take the singular form of the verb. Therefore, the verb 'are' should be replaced with 'is'.

The correct sentence will be 'Neither of the five applicants is appropriate for this position.'

Q:7 The correct answer is option 2 i.e. was always told us

The error is in the phrase 'was always told us,' which is not grammatically correct.

The verb 'told' should not be used with 'was always' in this context.

The correct structure is 'Our neighbor always told us,' where 'told' is the past tense of the verb used

Hence, the correct option would be was always told us.

















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Q:8 The correct answer is option 3 i.e. for 48 hours. The error in the original sentence is in the use of the future perfect continuous tense.

When expressing an action that will have started in the past, continued into the future, and is expected to continue for a specified duration, we use will have been' followed by the present participle form of the verb (playing) and then the duration (48 hours).

This construction indicates an action that starts before a certain point in the future (in this case, 'this time tomorrow') and continues up to that point.

Hence, the correct answer is for 48 hours.

Q:9 The correct answer is option 3 i.e. five miles were not

The subject 'five miles' is a singular unit of distance.

So it should be followed by a singular verb 'was,' not the plural 'were.'

Hence, the correct option would be five miles were

Q:10 The correct answer is Option 4 i.e tight coat of

The error in this sentence is related to possessive pronouns and the structure of the phrase.

When referring to something that belongs to someone, like the coat in this case, we use the possessive form. We use 'his' to indicate

Therefore, instead of saying 'tight coat of him,' you should say 'his tight coat' to correctly express that it's Dan's coat.

The corrected sentence is: 'Dan needed help to get his tight coat.'



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