

Direction (1-5): In the following question, three sentences are provided. Out of these, there may be one, two, or all three sentences with errors. We need to identify the sentence that is both grammatically and contextually correct.

- **1.** I. He has charged with two counts of first-degree murder, the murder of foreign officials, causing death with a firearm, and discharging a firearm in a crime of violence.
- II. A family from Assam, whose citizenship case is being heard in the Supreme Court, have alleged that one of their members was picked up from their home and "pushed" into Bangladesh by security forces.
- III. As India tries to understand the second Trump administration's unexpected enthusiasm for renewing ties with Pakistan, an unusual development is drawing global attention:
- (a) Only I
- (b) Both II and III
- (c) Only III
- (d) Both I and II
- (e) All I, II and III
- **2.** I. Nvidia Corp. saw its shares jump as much as 6% in after-hours trading following the release of its first-quarter fiscal 2026 earnings, which surpassed Wall Street expectations.
- II. During his visit to Iran, Sharif emphasised the need for dialogue to resolve all outstanding issues among the two nuclear-armed neighbours.
- III. During Operation Sindoor, the Indian armed forces stuck nine target facilities across Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir (PoJK), reportedly resulting in over 100 terrorist casualties.
- (a) Only II
- (b) Both II and III
- (c) Only III
- (d) Both I and II
- (e) All I, II and III
- **3.** I. The U.S. education landscape for international students is witnessing a sharp shift, largely driven by widespread funding cuts across public and private universities.
- II. Vehicular emissions and biomass burning are among the key contributors to Kolkata worsening air quality, far exceeding the national standard.
- III. While most retail investors tend to chase short-term trends and headlines, seasoned investors focus on identifying overlooked opportunities with strong fundamentals.
- (a) Both II and III
- (b) Both I and III
- (c) Only II

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- (d) Both I and II
- (e) All I, II and III
- **4.** I. The broader market may be gradually moving upward, but the gap between current prices and these stocks' true value presents an opening for those with a long-term outlook.
- II. Mamata Banerjee, chief minister, recently praised her government's anti-pollution measures on social media, which were acknowledged by the union environment ministry.
- III. The policy shift has provoked heated reactions across social media, by many users criticizing the administration's stance on higher education.
- (a) Only I
- (b) Both II and III
- (c) Only III
- (d) Both I and II
- (e) All I, II and III
- **5.** I. Nemish Shah, often referred to as the Indian Warren Buffett, is known for his sharp investment acumen and selective stock picks that frequency influence market sentiment.
- II. Despite of being a white, U.S.-born citizen, she confessed that recent events have made her feel unsafe, and she is now considering leaving the country altogether.
- III. A large number of Kolkata's residents live near major roads, making them more vulnerable to vehicular air pollution than residents in other Indian cities.
- (a) Only II
- (b) Both II and III
- (c) Only I
- (d) Both I and II
- (e) All I, II and III

Directions (6-10): In the following questions, a sentence is given consisting of four highlighted words. Choose the option reflecting the word which is either misspelt or grammatically incorrect. If all the highlighted words are correct, choose option (e) i.e. "no error" as your answer choice.

- **6.** While the **mnemonic** seemed obscure at first, its effectiveness became clear once the **linguistic** principles behind it were **thoroughly** explained by the **cognative** psychologist.
- (a) mnemonic
- (b) linguistic
- (c) thoroughly

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(d) cognative (e) no error
 7. The exhiliration she felt upon completing the marathon was amplified by the cacophony of cheering, the adrenaline surge, and the overwhelming gratification of months of effort. (a) exhiliration (b) cacophony (c) adrenaline
(d) gratification (e) no error
8. Despite the elaborate setup and meticulous planning, the presentation lacked coherance, failing to link the hypothesis with the supporting evidence. (a) elaborate (b) coherance (c) hypothesis (d) evidence (e) no error
9. The etymology of the term was traced back to Latin roots, revealing a complex geneology and a surprising link to archaic expressions in medieval lexicons. (a) etymology (b) geneology (c) archaic (d) lexicons (e) no error
 10. The historian's treatise explored the political dynasties of the era, emphasizing their hegemony and the dissenters who challenged them. (a) treatise (b) dynasties (c) hegemony (d) dissenters (e) no error

ANSWER

1.Ans: (d)

Explanation:

- I. The structure "He has charged with..." is incorrect. The correct passive construction is **"He has been charged with..."**
- II. Subject-verb agreement issue. "A family" is a **singular collective noun**, so the correct verb is **"has alleged"** not "have alleged."

2.Ans: (b)

Explanation:

- II. The word "among" is used when referring to more than two people or things. Since we are talking about "the two nuclear-armed neighbours", the correct preposition is "between".
- III. The verb "stuck" is the past tense of "stick", not the past tense of "strike". The intended meaning here is an attack, so the correct verb is "struck" (past tense of "strike").

3.Ans: (c)

Explanation:

II. The phrase **"to Kolkata worsening air quality"** is grammatically incorrect. We need a possessive or modifying form before "worsening air quality" to show that it's **Kolkata's** air quality that is worsening. "Kolkata worsening" should be **"Kolkata's worsening"**

4.Ans: (b)

Explanation:

- II. The definite article "the" is required before a title like "chief minister" when used in apposition.
- III. The preposition "by" in this sentence is incorrect and should be replaced with "with". "By" is not used this way here because it typically indicates agency in passive constructions, not accompaniment. "With" correctly introduces the participial phrase "many users criticizing..." showing the cause or manner of the reactions.

5.Ans: (d)

Explanation:

I. The word "frequency" is incorrect here. The correct word should be "frequently" (an adverb) because it modifies the verb "influence."

II. The phrase "Despite of" is incorrect. The correct phrase is just "Despite" or "In spite of."

6.Ans: (d)

Explanation: The word "cognative" is incorrectly spelled. The correct spelling is "cognitive".

Mnemonic (noun/adjective): a tool or device that aids memory.

Linguistic (adjective): related to language or its structure.

Thoroughly (adverb): completely and carefully.

Cognitive (adjective): related to mental processes like thinking and understanding.

7.Ans: (a)

Explanation: The word "exhiliration" is incorrectly spelled. The correct spelling is "exhilaration."

Exhilaration (noun): a feeling of great happiness or excitement.

Cacophony (noun): a harsh, discordant mixture of sounds.

Adrenaline (noun): a hormone released in response to stress or excitement, increasing energy.

Gratification (noun): pleasure or satisfaction obtained from achieving something.

8.Ans: (b)

Explanation: The word "coherance" is incorrectly spelled. The correct spelling is "coherence."

Elaborate (adjective/verb): detailed and complicated; to explain in detail.

Coherence (noun): logical and consistent connection or clarity in speech or writing.

Hypothesis (noun): a proposed explanation based on limited evidence.

Evidence (noun): facts or information supporting a belief or conclusion.

9.Ans: (b)

Explanation: The word "geneology" is incorrectly spelled. The correct spelling is "genealogy."

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Etymology (noun): the study of the origin and history of words. **Genealogy** (noun): the study or investigation of family ancestries and histories. Archaic (adjective): very old or old-fashioned. **Lexicons** (noun): dictionaries or the vocabulary of a language. 10. Ans: (e) **Explanation:** All the highlighted words are spelled correctly and used appropriately. Treatise (noun): a formal and systematic written work on a subject. Dynasties (noun): sequences of rulers from the same family or line. Hegemony (noun): leadership or dominance, especially by one state or group over others. Dissenters (noun): people who disagree or protest against an established authority or opinion.







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