Answers with explanation

- 1. (c) Change 'will' into 'would'. Said (reporting verb) is in past. Hence the reported speech is also in past.
- (c) Change 'shall' into 'should' and 'want' into 'wanted'. (Explanation is given
- (b) Remove 'that'. If an interrogative 3. sentence is not of 'Wh' family, conjunction 'if/whether' is used.
- (b) Remove 'that'. If an interrogative sentence is of 'Wh' family, no conjunction is used.
- 5. (c) In reported speech, an interrogative form is not used. Hence 'did I say' will change into 'I said'.
- (a) 'To' doesn't come with 'tell/told'. 6.
- (a) 'Commanded' must be followed by an 7. object.
- (b) Change 'if' into 'whether'. 'Whether 8. or' is the correct correlative . 'If.... or' is not the correct correlative.
- (a) 'Telling' must be followed by an object.
- The sentence is correct. The 10. (d) reported speech given here is an idiom. Hence tense will not change.
- 11. (a) Add 'to' before 'shut'. In an imperative sentence conjunction 'to' is used.
- 12. (c) 'How tall has she grown' is interrogative form of a sentence as 'has' has come before subject 'she'. Change 'How tall has she grown' into ' she had grown very tall'.

- -NARRATION 13. (b) Change 'knows' into 'knew'.
- 14. (c) Change 'I want' into 'I wanted'. The sentence is in past tense.
- 15. (b) Remove 'not'. 'Not' is not used with 'forbade'. Other words that do not take 'not' with them are - unless, until, deny, prohibit, lest, hardly, barely, rarely, scarcely and both.

Note: Not is not used with both as in place of 'both....not', we use 'neither of'.

Both of them did not go. (x) E.g.: Neither of them went. (v)

- 16. (b) 'Had' will come before 'died'. 'Simple Past Tense' changes into 'Past Perfect Tense'.
- 17. (c) Replace 'has' with 'had'. In indirect speech 'Simple Present Tense' changes into 'Simple Past Tense'.
- 18. (c) Change 'will' into 'would'. In indirect speech 'will/shall' changes into 'would/ should'.
- 19. (c) Change 'does not' into 'did not'. 'Simple Present Tense' changes into Simple Past Tense'.
- 20. (b) Use 'had' after 'I'. In indirect speech a sentence is in assertive form and not in interrogative form.
- 21. (b) 'could' will come after 'she'. In indirect speech a sentence is in and assertive form interrogative form.
- 22. (b) Past of 'continue' is 'continued'. In Indirect Speech 'Simple Present Tense' changes into 'Simple Past
- 23. (b) Change 'work' to 'worked'. In Indirect Speech 'Simple Present Tense' changes into Simple Past Tense
- 24. (b) Change 'if' into 'whether'. Whether or' is or' is the correct pair. 'If.... or' is not the correct correlative.
- 25. (c) Change 'may' into 'might'.
- 27. (c) Change 'returns' into 'returned', 28. (c) Change 'returns' into 'returned',
- 28. (c) Change 'have' into 'had'.
- 29. (c) Change 'have' into 'had'.
- –English for General Competition 30. (c) Change 'has' into 'had'.