

Solutions and Explanations:

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4	b	14	a	24	a	34	b	44	c
5	a	15	b	25	b	35	b	45	a
6	c	16	a	26	c	36	a	46	b
7	c	17	b	27	c	37	b	47	b
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Ans251.(c) "May you get this job", said the old lady to her son.

- a. The old lady blessed her son with a job in life. (Incomplete sentence-This job missing)
- b. The old lady prayed for her son's job.(Incomplete information)

c. The old lady prayed for her son and said that he might get that job. (Correct)

- d. The old lady blessed her son and said that he might get **this job**. (This changes to That in indirect speech)

Ans252.(b) Good morning children, we will start tenses today." said the English teacher at Pinnacle.

- a. The English teacher at Pinnacle wished the children to start tenses that day. (Meaning changed)

b. The English teacher at Pinnacle wished the children good morning and said that they would start tenses that day. (Correct)

- c. The English teacher at Pinnacle greeted the children and said they **would be doing tenses** that day. (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. The English teacher at Pinnacle greeted the children and said **we** would be doing tenses that day. (Incorrect change of pronoun)

Ans253.(b)"Wow! What a lovely weather it is!" said the children.

- a. The children said that **wow** it was a lovely weather. (Exclamatory words do not occur in indirect speech.)

b. The children exclaimed with joy that it was a lovely weather. (Correct)

- c. The children said that **it is** lovely weather. (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. The children exclaimed with **joy it** was a lovely weather. (No connecting word)

Ans254.(b)He said to Sita, "What time does the bus leave in the evening and when will you go?"

a. He enquired Sita what time did the bus leave in **that evening** and when would she go. (Incorrect use of words)

b. He asked Sita what time did the bus leave in the evening and when would she go. (Correct)

c. He asked Sita what time **had the bus left** in the evening and when would she go. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. He asked Sita what time **does the bus leave** in the evening and when would she go. (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans255.(a)He cried, "I will never steal again and work hard to improve my life".

a. He cried that he would never steal again and he would work hard to improve his life. (Correct)

b. He cried that he would never steal again and he **will** work hard to improve his life. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. He cried that he would never steal again and he would work hard to improve **my life**. (Incorrect change of pronoun)

d. He **exclaimed in pain** that he would never steal again and he would work hard to improve his life. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans256.(c)She said, "Pay the shopkeeper 100 rupees and come quickly."

a. She ordered to pay the shopkeeper 100 rupees and **go** quickly. (Incorrect word)

b. She **requested** to pay the shopkeeper 100 rupees and come quickly. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

c. She ordered to pay the shopkeeper 100 rupees and come quickly. (Correct)

d. She **ordered pay** the shopkeeper 100 rupees and come quickly. (Connecting word to is missing)

Ans257.(c)"My lord", the thief cried, please don't be so harsh upon me."

a. The thief **begged** the judge not to be so harsh with him. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

b. The thief begged the judge **to not be** so harsh with him. (Not is to be used before to)

c. The thief pleaded the judge not to be so harsh with him. (Correct)

Ans258.(b)"What is there for dinner today? said Jaya, "Nothing," said her mother.

a. Jaya asked her mother what was there for dinner that day. Her mother **replied in the negative**. (Incorrect words used – When the answer is simply "No" when changing to indirect speech it becomes "replied in the negative.")

b. Jaya asked her mother what was there for dinner on that day. Her mother replied there was nothing. (Correct)

c. Jaya asked her mother what **is** there for dinner on that day. Her mother replied there was nothing. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. Jaya **told** her mother what was there for dinner on that day. Her mother replied there was nothing. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans259.(a)He said to her, "Is this your first attempt in this exam?"

a. He asked her if it was her first attempt in that exam. (Correct)

b. He asked her **it was** her first attempt in that exam. (Incorrect connecting word)

c. He **interrogated** her if it was her first attempt in this exam. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

d. He asked her if it was her **attempt** in that exam. (Meaning changed)

Ans260.(c)The Chief Minister said, "How much money do you need boys for this project?"

a.The Chief Minister asked the boys how much money they **need** for this project (Incorrect change of tense)

b. The Chief Minister asked the boys how much money **is needed** for this project (Incorrect change of tense)

c. The Chief Minister asked the boys how much money they needed for that project. (Correct)

d. The Chief Minister **told** the boys how much money they needed for that project. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans261.(a)I said to to my class at Pinnacle, "All of you write your name on the left hand side."

a. I told my class at Pinnacle to write their names on the left hand side. (Correct)

b. I told my class at Pinnacle to **write names** on the left hand side. (Change of pronoun his is missing)

c. I **asked** my class at Pinnacle to write their names on the left hand side. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

d. I told my class at Pinnacle to write **its names** on the left hand side. (Incorrect change of pronoun)

Ans262.(d)The lady teacher said to the student, "Why were you screaming at the top of your voice in my absence?"

a.The lady teacher asked the student why he was screaming at the top of **her voice in his absence**. (Incorrect change of pronoun)

b. The lady teacher asked the student why **was he** screaming at the top of his voice in her absence. (In case of assertive sentences if a questioning word/wh..... word like when/why/where etc is used in the middle of the sentence it will be followed by the subject and not helping verb)

c. The lady teacher **scolded** the student why he was screaming at the top of his voice in her absence. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

d. The lady teacher asked the student why he was screaming at the top of his voice in her absence. (Correct)

Ans263.(d) I have been waiting for half an hour, said my friend.

a. My friend **asked** that he had been waiting for half an hour. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

b. My friend **informed** that he had been waiting for half an hour. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

c. My friend told that he **has been waiting** for half an hour. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. My friend told that he had been waiting for half an hour. (Correct)

Ans264.(a) Shanker said to his friend, "Be careful! The floor is wet and you can slip Anil."

a. Shanker told Anil to be careful as the floor was wet and he could slip. (Correct)

b. Shanker told Anil to be careful as the floor **had been wet** and he could slip. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. Shanker told Anil to be careful as the floor was wet and he **can** slip. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. Shanker **warned** Anil **to be careful** as the floor was wet and he could have slipped. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans265.(b) The teacher said to Ram, "Would you like to take part in the contest?" Ram said, "Yes"

a. The teacher asked if Ram would like to take part in the contest and Ram **replied yes**. (In case of assertive sentences if a questioning word/wh..... word like when/why/where etc is used in the middle of the sentence it will be followed by the subject and not helping verb)

b. The teacher asked Ram if he would like to take part in the contest and Ram replied in the positive. (Correct)

c. The teacher asked Ram if he would **liked** to take part in the contest and Ram replied in the affirmative. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. The teacher **told** Ram if he would like to take part in the contest and Ram replied in the affirmative. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans266.(a) "Suppose I repay your loan ", she said to me.

- a. **She proposed that suppose she repaid my loan. (Correct)**
- b. She proposed that suppose she **repay** my loan. (Incorrect change of tense)
- c. She proposed that suppose she **repays** my loan. (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. She **proposes** that suppose she repaid my loan. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans267.(b)Everybody said, "How well this little child has performed!"

- a. Everybody **told** that that little child had performed very well. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- b. Everybody exclaimed with joy that that little child had performed very well. (Correct)**
- c. Everybody exclaimed with joy that that little child **has performed** very well. (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. Everybody exclaimed with joy that that little child **performed** very well. (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans268.(b)The old man said, "My back is paining and I can't walk any more."

- a. The old man **exclaimed with sorrow** that his back was paining and he could not walk any more (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- b. The old said that his back was paining and he could not walk any more (Correct)**
- c. The old man **cried in pain** that his back was paining and he could not walk any more (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- d. The old man **narrated** with sorrow that his back was paining and he could not walk any more (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans269.(a)"Call that corrupt man here immediately", said the Judge.

- a. The judge commanded to call that corrupt man immediately there. (Correct)**
- b. The judge commanded **them** to call that corrupt man immediately there. (Incorrect word used not given in the original sentence)
- c. The judge commanded **that** the corrupt man immediately be called there. (Incorrect connecting word)
- d. The judge commanded to call that corrupt man. (Incomplete sentence)

Ans270.(a)I said, "Return home before it gets dark or your father will be very angry."

- a. I ordered to return home before it got dark or his father would be very angry. (Correct)**

b. I ordered to return home before it **gets** dark or his father would be very angry. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. I ordered to return home before it got dark or his father **will** be very angry. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. I ordered to return home before it got dark or his father **would have been** be very angry. (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans271.(a)The teacher said to Ashok, "Why don't you pay attention to your work?"

a. The teacher asked Ashok why he didn't pay attention to his work. (Correct)

b. The teacher asked Ashok why **didn't he** pay attention to his work. In case of assertive sentences if a questioning word/wh..... word like when/why/where etc is used in the middle of the sentence it will be followed by the subject and not helping verb)

c. The teacher asked Ashok **that** why he didn't pay attention to his work. (Incorrect connecting word)

d. The teacher asked Ashok why he didn't pay attention to **your work** (Incorrect change of pronoun)

Ans272.(b)"Ravi refused to wear the seat belt. Let him answer the police officer", said his father.

a. Ravi's father said that Ravi had refused to wear the seat belt and proposed that he **answers** the police officer. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

b. Ravi's father said that Ravi had refused to wear the seat belt and said that he answered the police officer. (Correct)

c. Ravi's father said that Ravi had refused to wear the seat belt and said that he **answers** the police officer. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

d. Ravi's father said Ravi **refused** to wear the seat belt and said that he answered the police officer. (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans273.(a)My mother screamed angrily at me "Do as you wish, I am fed up of helping you in times of mess."

a. My mother screamed angrily at me to do as I wished and said that she was fed up of helping me in times of mess. (Correct)

b. My mother screamed angrily at me **that** do as I wishes and said that she was fed up of helping me in times of mess. (Incorrect connecting word)

c. My mother screamed angrily at me to do as I **wishes** and said that she was fed up of helping me in times of mess. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. My mother screamed angrily at me to do as I **was wishing** and said that she was fed up of helping me in times of mess. (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans274.(a)Gandhiji said, "Independence is the birthright of every nation."

a. Gandhiji said that Independence is the birthright of every nation. (Correct)

b. Gandhiji said that Independence **was** the birthright of every nation. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. Gandhiji **declared** that Independence is the birthright of every nation. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

d. Gandhiji said that Independence **has been** the birthright of every nation. (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans275.(b)He said to the interviewer, "I can only work upto six O' clock and not beyond that as my house is fifty kilometers away"

a. He **requested** the interviewer that he could work upto six O' clock and not beyond that as his house was fifty kilometers away(Incorrect Reporting Verb)

b. He told the interviewer that he could work upto six O' clock and not beyond that as his house was fifty kilometers away (correct)

c. He said the interviewer that he **can** work upto six O' clock and not beyond that as his house was fifty kilometers away" (Incorrect change of tense)

d. He told the interviewer that he could work upto six O' clock and not beyond that as his house **were** fifty kilometers away (Incorrect helping verb)

Ans276.(c)He said to Sita, "When do you intend to pay back the money you borrowed from me?"

a. He enquired Sita when **did** she intend to pay back the money she borrowed from him. (In case of assertive sentences if a questioning word/wh.... word like when/why/where etc is used in the middle of the sentence it will be followed by the subject and not helping verb)

b. He enquired Sita when she intended to pay back the money she **borrowed** from him. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. He enquired Sita when she intended to pay back the money she had borrowed from him. (Correct)

d. He enquired when Sita intended to pay back the money she borrowed from him. (Meaning changed)

Ans277.(c)How cruel the boss is! He makes us work for such long hours." said the clerk.

a. The clerk **said** that the boss was very cruel and he made them work for such long hours. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

b. The clerk said that the boss is very cruel and he **made** them work for such long hours,(Incorrect change of tense)

c. The clerk exclaimed that the boss was very cruel and he made them work for such long hours.(correct)

d. The clerk exclaimed that the boss **is** very cruel and he makes them work for such long hours. (Incorrect Tense)

Ans278.(a)My husband said to me, "Wait for me outside."

a. My husband told me to wait for him outside. (Correct)

b. My husband said **that** I have to wait for him outside. (Incorrect Connecting word)

c. My husband wanted me to **wait for him only outside.** (Incorrect word)

d. My husband angrily **asked** me to wait outside. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans279.(a)The principal kept the date sheet for the exams a secret till the last minute.

a. The date sheet for the exams was kept a secret by the principal till the last minute.(Correct)

b. The date sheet for the exams is kept a secret by the principal till the last minute. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. The date sheet for the exams was kept a secret till the last minute. (The doer is missing)

d. The date sheet the exams was kept a secret by the principal till the last minute. (The preposition is missing)

Ans280.(c)"The use of technology for constructive work will lessen the work load on all of us," said the engineer to his staff.

a. The engineer said to his staff that the use of technology would **lessen work load.** (Pronoun is missing)

b. The engineer said to his staff that the use of technology **will** lessen their work load. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. The engineer said to his staff that the use of technology would lessen **their** work load. (Correct)

d. The engineer **advised** to his staff that the use of technology would lessen our work load. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans281.(a)"Go to the kitchen and cook properly, Manju" shouted the lady angrily.

a. The lady shouted angrily at Manju to go to the kitchen and cook properly. (Correct)

b. The lady shouted angrily at Manju **that** go to the kitchen and cook properly. (Incorrect connecting word)

c. The lady shouted angrily at Manju to go to the kitchen. (Incomplete sentence)

d. The lady **told** Manju to go to the kitchen and cook properly. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans282.(a)“Pack your bag and sharpen your pencils Ravi,” Said mother . “And don’t forget to put your school diary in your bag.”

a. Mother told Ravi to pack his bag and sharpen his pencils. She also reminded him to put his school diary in his bag. (Correct)

b. Mother told Ravi **that pack your bag** and sharpen his pencils. She also reminded him to put his school diary in his bag. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

c. Mother told Ravi to pack his bag and sharpen his pencils. She also **remembered** him to put his school diary in his bag. (Incorrect word)

d. Mother told Ravi to pack his bag and sharpen his pencils and forbade him to put his school diary in his bag. (Meaning of sentence changed)

Ans283.(a)The child said, “Papa, can you bring a toy for me?” Papa said, ‘No’.

a. The child asked his papa whether he could bring a toy for him. Papa replied in the negative. (Correct)

b. The child **told** his father that he could bring a toy for him. He said no. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

c. The child **said** to his father if he could bring a toy for him. Papa replied in the negative. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

d. The child asked his father if he could bring a toy for him. **Papa replied no.** (Incorrect sentence structure)

Ans284.(b)The police said to the dacoit, “Don’t run”.

a. The police told the dacoit **not to running.** (Incorrect sentence structure)

b. The police ordered the dacoit not to run. (Correct)

c. The police **ordered to** the dacoit not to run. (With ordered to is not used)

d. The police ordered that the **thief** should not run. (Incorrect word)

Ans285.(b)“Dust the windows and close them carefully before you lock the door.”Said the old lady.

a. The old lady said to dust the windows and close them carefully **before lock the door** (Incorrect

sentence structure)

- b. The old lady said to dust the windows and to close them carefully before the door was locked. (Correct)
- c. The old lady instructed to dust the windows and to close them carefully. (Incomplete sentence)
- d. The old lady instructed to dust the windows and to close them. (Incomplete sentence)

Ans286.(a)He said, "While I was in Hisar I had an opportunity to visit Haryana Agriculture university."

- a. He said that when he had been in Hisar he had had an opportunity to visit Haryana Agriculture university. (Correct)
- b. He said that when he had been in Hisar **he had** an opportunity to visit Haryana Agriculture University (Incorrect change of tense)
- c. He said that when he had been in Hisar he had had an opportunity to **visiting** Haryana Agriculture university (Incorrect word)
- d. He said **that he had** been in Hisar he had had an opportunity to visit Haryana Agriculture university (When is missing)

Ans287.(b)The Indians said, "How well the country is progressing under the new PM!"

- a. The Indians **told** us that the country was progressing very well under the new PM. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- b. The Indians exclaimed with joy that the country was progressing very well under the new PM. (Correct)
- c. The Indians **exclaimed that** the country was progressing very well under the new PM (with joy is missing)
- d. The Indians told us that **how very well** the country was progressing under the new PM. (Incorrect words used)

Ans288.(d)Sunil said to his friend, "Look out! Be careful keep away from the wire."

- a. Sunil **told** his friend to look out as there was a wire. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- b. Sunil exclaimed with surprise that be careful and keep away from the wire. (Listener is missing)

- c. Seeing a wire behind him, Sunil asked his friend to be careful. (Meaning changed)
- d. Sunil exclaimed with surprise to his friend to be careful and keep away from the wire. (Correct)

Ans289.(a) "Call the lawyer and start the proceedings", said the Judge.

- a. The judge commanded to call the lawyer and start the proceedings. (Correct)
- b. The judge commanded **them** to call the lawyer and start the proceedings. (Incorrect word)
- c. The judge commanded **that** the lawyer be called and start the proceedings. (Incorrect connecting word)
- d. The judge **commanded the lawyer** to be called and start the proceedings. (No connecting word)

Ans290.(d) "Mahesh created this confusion. Let him sort it up", said his father.

- a. Mahesh's father said that Mahesh had created **this** confusion and proposed that he sort it up. (Incorrect word used)
- b. Mahesh's father said that Mahesh had created that confusion and that he was to **sorted** it. (Incorrect word used)
- c. Mahesh's father said that Mahesh had created that confusion and suggested that he **sort** it. (Incorrect word used)
- d. Mahesh's father said that Mahesh had created that confusion and suggested that he should sort it. (correct)

Ans291.(c) The teacher warned her that the teacher could no longer tolerate her using the mobile in the class.

- a. The teacher **said**, "I can no longer tolerate your using the mobile in the class." (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- b. The teacher warns her, "I can no longer tolerate your using the mobile in the class." (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- c. The teacher warned her, "I can no longer tolerate your using the mobile in the class." (Correct)
- d. The teacher said, "I can no longer tolerate **her** using the mobile in the class." (Incorrect word used)

Ans292.(a) My sister said to my mother, "I will certainly take you to Kumbh mela in Nasik this week."

- a. My sister told my mother that she would certainly take her to Kumbh mela in Nasik that week. (Correct)

- b. My sister told my mother that **I** would certainly take her to Kumbh mela in Nasik that week. (Incorrect change of pronoun)
- c. My sister told my **mother she** would certainly take her to Kumbh mela in Nasik that week. (Incorrect connecting word)
- d. My sister told to my mother that **I** would take **you** to Kumbh mela in Nasik that week. (Incorrect change of pronoun)

Ans293.(d)“How did the cooler stop working so suddenly!” said the child to his mother.

- a. The child wonderingly asked his mother how the cooler stopped. (Incorrect change of tense)
- b. The child wonderingly asked his mother the cooler had suddenly stopped working. (Incomplete sentence-how is missing)
- c. The child asked his mother how the cooler had stopped working. (Incomplete sentence)
- d. The child wonderingly asked his mother how the cooler had suddenly stopped working. (Correct)

Ans294.(c)“How long does it take to reach from Delhi to Hisar " my co-passenger asked me.

- a. My co-passenger asked me how long **does it take** to reach from Delhi to Hisar? (Incorrect change of tense)
- b. I asked my co-passenger how long it takes to reach from Delhi to Hisar. (Meaning of sentence changed)
- c. My co-passenger wanted to know how long it took to reach from Delhi to Hisar. (Correct)
- d. My co-passenger asked me how long it **take** to reach from Delhi to Hisar. (Incorrect word)

Ans295.(a)The new joiner screamed, “I don’t care about the job and I am quitting immediately.”

- a. The new joiner screamed that he didn’t care about the job and he was quitting immediately. (Correct)
- b. The new joiner said again and again **I** didn't care about the job and he was quitting immediately. (Incorrect change of pronoun)
- c. The new joiner screamed that he did not care about the job and so **quitted immediately**. (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. The new joiner repeatedly said that he **does not cared** about the job. (Incorrect sentence structure)

Ans296.(b)I said to my family, “Hisar is too hot in this season. Let us go to some hill station for a change.”

- a. I suggested to my family that Hisar was too hot in that season and **they** should go to some hill station for a change. (Incorrect change of pronoun-Does not include the speaker)
- b. I suggested to my family that Hisar was too hot in that season and we should go to some hill station for a change. (Correct)
- c. I suggested to my family that Hisar is too hot in that season so **let** us go to some hill station for a change. (Incorrect word used)
- d. I suggested to my family that let them go to some hill station for a change as Hisar was too hot in **this season**. (Incorrect word)

Ans297.(b)The commander said to the army, "March ahead and face the enemy".

- a. The commander **asked** the army to march ahead and face the enemy. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- b. The commander ordered the army to march ahead and face the enemy.(Correct)
- c. The commander requested the army to go forward. (Meaning changed)
- d. The army requested the commander to march. (Meaning changed)

Ans298.(b)He promised, "I am busy now so I will do it tomorrow ."

- a. He promised that he **is** busy then so he would do it the next day. (Incorrect change of tense)
- b. He promised that he was busy then so he would do it the next day. (Correct)
- c. He promised that he was busy then so he **will** do it the next day. (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. He promised that he was busy so he would do it the next day. (now is missing)

Ans299.(a)Radhika said, "I did not have the exact information so I did not do this knowingly ."

- a. Radhika said that she hadn't the exact information so she hadn't done that knowingly.(Correct)
- b. Radhika said that she **hasn't** the exact information so she hadn't done that knowingly. (Incorrect change of tense)
- c. Radhika said that she hadn't the exact information so she hadn't **did** that knowingly. (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. Radhika said that hadn't the exact information so she hadn't done **this** knowingly. (Incorrect word used)

Ans300.(a)She said to the receptionist at Pinnacle, "Which documents do I have to bring for admission?"

- a. She asked the receptionist at Pinnacle which documents she had to bring for admission.(Correct)

- b. She asked the receptionist at Pinnacle which documents **she had had** to bring for admission.
- c. She asked which documents she had to bring for admission. (Listener is missing)
- d. She asked the receptionist at Pinnacle **whose documents** she had to bring for admission(Incorrect word used)

Pinnacle