

Solutions and Explanations:

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6	b	16	d	26	c	36	b	46	b
7	d	17	a	27	d	37	c	47	c
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Ans401.(b) He said to me, "I have often told you not to play with fire."

- a. He **said that** he has often been telling me not to play with fire (listener is missing)
- b. He told me that he had often told me not to play with fire.(correct)**
- c. He **reminded** me that he often said to me not to play with fire (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- d. He said to me that **he often told** me not to play with fire (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans402. (d) Pooja said to me, "If I receive a decent offer from them, I'll join them."

- a. Pooja said to me that if she **offered a decent offer** from them, she would join them. (Offered is incorrect)
- b. **Pooja said** that if she received a decent offer from them, she would join them. (Listener is missing)
- c. Pooja said to me that if she **receives** a decent offer from them, she would join them. (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. Pooja said to me that if she received a decent offer from them, she would join them. (Correct)**

Ans403.(d) He said to her, "Did it shake you up as much as it shook me?"

- a. He asked her if it had shaken her up as much **as it shook** him. (Incorrect change of tense)
- b. He **enquired of her** if it shook her up as it shook him. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- c. He **enquired of her** if it shook her up as much as it had shaken him. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- d. He asked her if it had shaken her up as it had shaken him. (correct)**

Ans404.(d) He said to us, "Why are you all sitting about there doing nothing?"

- a. He asked us why **are we** all sitting about there doing nothing. (Incorrect change of tense)
- b. He asked us why **we are** all sitting about there doing nothing. (Incorrect change of tense)
- c. He asked us why **we was all** sitting about there doing nothing. (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)

d. He asked us why we were all sitting about there doing nothing. (Correct)

Ans405. (a) "I have something to show you in that room." I said to her. She said, "I don't want to see."

a. I told her that I had something to show her in that room but she replied that she didn't want to see. (Correct)

- b. I told her that I **have** something to show her in that room but she replied that she didn't want to see. (Incorrect change of tense)
- c. I told her that I had something to show but she replied that she didn't want to see. (Incomplete sentence- in that room is missing)
- d. I told her that I had something to show her in that room but she replied in the **negative**. (Last part is not covered)

Ans406.(b) "Nothing grows in my garden. It never gets any sun," she said.

- a. She said that nothing grows in her garden as it never **got** any sun. (Incorrect change of tense)
- b. She said that nothing grows in her garden as it never gets any sun. (Correct)**
- c. She said that nothing **grew** in her garden as it never got any sun. (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. She said that nothing grows in **my** garden as it never got any sun. (Incorrect change of pronoun)

Ans407.(d) "Ah me!" exclaimed the mother. "What a rash and bloody deed you have done!"

- a. The mother sorrowfully exclaimed that **he done** a very rash and bloody deed (Incorrect change of tense)
- b. The mother sorrowfully exclaimed that he **did** a very rash and bloody deed (Incorrect change of tense)
- c. The mother **exclaimed** that he had done a very rash and bloody deed (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

d. The mother sorrowfully exclaimed that he had done a very rash and bloody deed. (Correct)

Ans408. (a) "What losses have I sustained." cried the man, "What suffering have endured!"

a. The man cried out that he had sustained great losses, and had endured great sufferings. (Correct)

b. The man cried out that he had **sustain** great losses, and had **endure** great sufferings. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. The man cried **out he** had sustained great losses, and had endured great sufferings. (Connecting word is missing)

d. The man cried out that he had sustained great losses, **and great sufferings.** (Missing-and had endured)

Ans409. (d) "Where did you go yesterday?" he asked.

a. He asked where **did** I go the previous day. (Incorrect change of tense)

b. He asked **that** where did I go the previous day. (Incorrect word used)

c. He asked where **had I go** the previous day. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. He asked where I had gone the previous day. (Correct)

Ans410. (c) "Yes, I have broken the cups", admitted the maid.

a. The maid **admitted she** had broken the cups. (Connecting word that is missing)

b. The maid admitted that she **broke** the cups. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. The maid admitted that she had broken the cups. (Correct)

d. The maid admitted that **yes** she had broken the cups. (Incorrect word)

Ans411. (b) She told me that she had returned only the previous week.

a. She **says** to me, "I have return only last week." (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

b. She said to me, 'I have returned only last week.' (Correct)

c. She said to me, "I **had returned** only last week." (Incorrect change of tense)

d. She said to me, "I have returned only **the previous week.**" (Incorrect words)

Ans412.(a) "Good Morning", he said, "How are you John?"

a. He wished John and enquired how he was. (Correct)

b. He **greeted** John and enquired how he was. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

c. He wished John and **interrogated** how he was. (Incorrect word used)

d. He wished John and enquired how **was he**. (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)

Ans413. (d)The police officer asked the villager whether he had heard that there was a robbery the previous night in the village.

a. The police officer asked the villager, "Have you heard that there was a robbery in the village? (Incomplete sentence- The previous night is missing)

b. The police officer asked the villager, "Have you **hear** that there was a robbery in the village last night? (Incorrect change of tense)

c. The police officer **said to** the villager, "Have you heard that there was a robbery in the village last night? (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

d. The police officer asked the villager, "Have you heard that there was a robbery in the village last night? (Correct)

Ans414.(b) I have fled away from home," said the boy to the police officer.

a. The boy said to the police **officer he** had fled away from home. (Connecting word is missing)

b. The boy said to the police officer that he had fled away from home. (Correct)

c. The boy said to the police officer that **he fled** away from home. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. The boy said to the police officer that he had fled **away home**. (Preposition is missing)

Ans415. (c)You said to me, "Do you play cricket?"

a. You **asked if I** played cricket. (Listener is missing)

b. You asked me **do I play** cricket. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. You asked me if I played cricket. (Correct)

d. You **told** me if I played cricket. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans416. (d)She said, "Raja can you tell me where Rani lives".

a. She **asked whether** he could tell where Rani lived. (Listener is missing)

b. She asked Raja whether he could tell where **Rani lives**. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. She asked Raja whether he **can** tell where Rani lived. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. She asked Raja whether he could tell where Rani lived. (Correct)

Ans417.(a) Father promised that he would take the children to zoo on Sunday.

- a. "On Sunday," Father promised. "I shall take the children to the zoo." (Correct)
- b. "On Sunday," Father **said** "I shall take the children to the zoo." (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- c. "On Sunday," Father promised. "I **would** take the children to the zoo." (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. "On Sunday," Father promised. "I shall take the children." (Incomplete sentence to the zoo is missing)

Ans418. (d) "Please give me something to eat. I am hungry" the old man said to them.

- a. The old man requested them **to gave him** something to eat and said that he was hungry (Incorrect word used)
- b. The old man requested them to give him something to eat and **said he were** hungry (No connecting word)
- c. The old man **requested to** give him something to eat and said that he was hungry (Listener is missing)
- d. **The old man requested them to give him something to eat and said that he was hungry (Correct)**

Ans419. (c) Mohan said to Sharma, "Why did not you attend the meeting yesterday?"

- a. Mohan asked Sharma why **had he** not attended the meeting the day before. (Incorrect change of tense)
- b. Mohan asked Sharma why he had attended the meeting the day before. (Meaning of sentence changed-not is missing)
- c. **Mohan asked Sharma why he had not attended the meeting the day before. (Correct)**
- d. Mohan asked Sharma why he had not **attend** the meeting the day before. (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans420. (a) "How often do you go to the theatre?" said David to John.

- a. **David asked John how often he went to the theatre. (Correct)**
- b. David asked John how often **he goes** to the theatre. (Incorrect change of tense)
- c. David asked John how often **did** he go to the theatre. (Incorrect word used)
- d. David **asks** John how often he went to the theatre. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans421. (b) Mohamed said to Sultan, "Do you like mangoes?"

a. Mohamed asked Sultan if he **likes** mangoes. (Incorrect change of tense)

b. Mohamed asked Sultan if he liked mangoes. (Correct)

c. Mohamed **told** Sultan if he liked mangoes. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

d. Mohamed asked Sultan **if he had** liked mangoes. (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans422.(a) We requested the singer, " Sir Please sing a bhajan of Lata."

a. We requested the singer respectfully to sing a bhajan of Lata. (correct)

b. We requested the singer to sing a bhajan of Lata. (respectfully is missing)

c. We requested the singer **to** respectfully sing a bhajan of Lata.(Connecting word to should be used after respectfully)

d. We requested sir to respectfully to sing a bhajan of Lata.(meaning has changed)

Ans423. (b)He asked me, "Did you see the cricket match on television last night?"

a. He asked me whether I **saw** the cricket match on television the earlier night (Incorrect change of tense)

b. He asked me whether I had seen the cricket match on television the earlier night (correct)

c. He asked **me did** I see the cricket match on television last night (Incorrect connecting word)

d. He asked me whether I had seen the cricket match on television **last night** (Incorrect word used)

Ans424.(a) I said to him, "Why are you working so hard ?"

a. I asked him why he was working so hard (correct)

b. I asked him **why was he** working so hard(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. I asked him why **he had been** working so hard (Incorrect change of tense)

d. I asked him **why had he been** working so hard (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans425.(d) He said to her, "What a cold day!"

a. He **told** her that it was a cold day (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

b. He exclaimed that it was a cold day (very is missing)

c. He exclaimed **sorrowfully** that it was a cold day (Incorrect word used)

d. He exclaimed that it was a very cold day (correct)

Ans426.(c) The tailor said to him, "Will you have the suit ready by tomorrow evening?"

- a. The tailor asked him that he **will** have the suit ready by the next evening (Incorrect change of tense)
- b. The tailor asked him **that** he would had the suit ready by the next evening (Incorrect connecting word)
- c. The tailor asked him if he would have the suit ready by the next evening (Correct)**

d. The tailor asked him if he **will like** to have the suit ready by the next evening (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans427. (d)He said to the interviewer, "Could you interview me before you interview others?"

- a. He requested the interviewer if he could please interview him (incomplete.)
- b. He **requested** the interviewer to **please** interview her before he interviewed others (Incorrect words used)
- c. He requested the interviewer to interview him before he interviewed others (Not an interrogative sentence)

d. He requested the interviewer if he could interview her before he interviewed others. (Correct)

Ans428. (a)He said, "Be quiet and listen to my words."

- a. He urged them to be quiet and listen to his words. (Correct)
- b. He urged them and **said be** quiet and listen to words (Incorrect connecting word)
- c. He said they **should** be quiet and listen to his words (Incorrect word used)
- d. He said you **should** be quiet and listen to my words (Incorrect word used)

Ans429.(a) The instructor said to the children, "Jump in the pool and swim across it"

a. The instructor said to the children to jump in the pool and swim across it. (correct)

- b. The instructor **says** to the children to jump in the pool and swim across it. (incorrect reporting verb)
- c. The instructor said to the children to jump in the pool and **swam** across it. (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. The instructor **asked to** the children to jump in the pool and swim across it. (incorrect reporting verb and connecting word)

Ans430. (a)The poor examinee said, "O God, take pity on me,"

a. The poor examinee prayed to God to take pity on him. (Correct)

b. The poor examinee, **invoking God**, implored him to take pity on him (Incorrect word used)

c. The poor examinee **exclaimed** that God take pity on him (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

d. The poor examinee **asked** God to take pity on him. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans431.(a) Manna asked Rohan, "Have you sat in a trolley bus before?"

a. Manna asked Rohan whether he had sat in a trolley bus earlier. (correct)

b. Manna asked Rohan **had** he sat in a trolley bus before. (Incorrect connecting word)

c. Manna asked Rohan if **he sat** on a trolley bus before. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. Manna asked Rohan if he **has** ever sat in a trolley bus. (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans432. (d) He said to me, "I expect you to fulfil all your commitments in time as you have a reputation for this in the market."

a. He said to me that he expected me to fulfil all my commitments in time as I had a reputation for this in the market. (This has to change to that)

b. He said to me that he had expected me to fulfil all my commitments in time as I had a reputation for that in the market. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. He said to me he expected me to fulfil all my commitments in time as I had a reputation for that in the market. (Connecting word missing)

d. He said to me that he expected me to fulfil all my commitments in time as I had a reputation for that in the market. (correct)

Ans433.(a) He said, "Why didn't you send your application to me?"

a. He inquired why I had not sent my application to him (Correct)

b. He inquired why **I did not** send my application to him (Incorrect change of tense)

c. He inquired why **had I not** sent my application to 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)

d. He inquired **why did I** not send my application to him (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans434.(c) Dinesh asked, "Are you going to the party tomorrow, Eliza?"

a. Dinesh asked whether Eliza was going to the party the next day (meaning changed)

b. Dinesh asked Eliza whether **you** are going to the party the next day (Incorrect change of pronoun)

c. Dinesh asked Eliza whether she was going to the party the next day (correct)

d. Dinesh asked **Eliza are** you going to the party tomorrow (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans435. (c) John asked, "How long will it take to travel from Germany to South Africa ?"

a. John asked how long it **will take** to travel from Germany to South Africa (Incorrect change of tense)

b. John asked how long **would it take** to travel from Germany to South Africa (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. John asked how long it would take to travel from Germany to South Africa. (correct)

d. John was **asking** how long must it take to travel from Germany to South Africa. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans436.(b) "What did you see at the South Pole?" Ashok asked Anil.-

a. Ashok asked Anil **if** he saw anything at the South Pole (Incorrect connecting word)

b. Ashok asked Anil what he had seen at the South Pole (Correct)

c. Ashok asked Anil what **did** he see at the South Pole (Incorrect change of tense)

d. Ashok asked Anil that he **saw** anything at the South Pole (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans437. (c) My mother said to me, "How long will it take to get my documents made?"

a. My mother asked me **that** how long would it take to get my documents made. (Incorrect connecting word)

b. My mother asked me **that** how long would it take to get my documents make. (Incorrect connecting word)

c. My mother asked me how long it would take to get my documents made. (Correct)

d. My mother asked me **that** how long should it take to get my documents made. (Incorrect connecting word)

Ans438.(d) She said to me, "I am the senior manager."

a. She said that she **was** the senior manager. (Incorrect change of tense-In habitual actions tense does not change.)

b. She said to me that she **was** the senior manager. (Incorrect change of tense-In habitual actions tense does not change.)

c. She said to me that **I** was the senior manager. (Incorrect change of pronoun)

d. **She said to me that she is the senior manager. (Correct)**

Ans439.(b) She said to me, "We are to leave early in the morning as the temple is too far away."

a. She said to me that we were to leave early in **that morning** as the temple was too far away. (Incorrect word used)

b. She said to me that we were to leave early in the morning as the temple was too far away. (Correct)

c. She said that we were to leave early in **that morning** as the temple was too far away. (Incorrect word used)

d. She said that they were to leave early in **that morning** as the temple was too far away. (Incorrect word used)

Ans440.(c) The manager said to his secretary, "I want to see you right now in my office. Report immediately."

a. The manager said to his secretary that he wanted to see him right then in his office **and report immediately**. (Incorrect connecting word)

b. The manager **said that** he wanted to see him right then in his office and to report immediately. (Incomplete sentence- Listener is missing)

c. The manager said to his secretary that he wanted to see him right then in his office and to report immediately. (Correct)

d. The manager said to his secretary that he **wants** to see him right then in his office and report immediately. (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans441.(b) Mother said to the child, "Wear your socks it's very cold today."

a. Mother said to the child to wear his socks as it was very cold **today**. (Incorrect word used)

b. Mother said to the child to wear his socks as it was very cold that day. (Correct)

c. Mother **ordered to the child** to wear his socks as it was very cold that day. (Do not use to after ordered as the listener is given)

d. Mother **ordered** the child to wear his socks as it was very cold that day. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

Ans442.(c) The old beggar said to the lady, "Thank you, I shall never forget your kindness in this life."

a. The old beggar told the lady that he **should** never forget her kindness in that life. (Meaning changed)

b. The old beggar told the lady that he would never forget her kindness in that life. (Incorrect sentence thanked is missing)

c. The old beggar thanked the lady that he would never forget her kindness in that life.(Correct)

d. The old beggar thanked the lady that he would never forget her kindness in **life**. (Incomplete-this life is missing)

Ans443. (d)“I have many beautiful flowers,” he said, “but the children are the most beautiful flowers of all.”

a. He said that he had **more** beautiful flowers than the children, who were the most beautiful flowers of all.(Incorrect word)

b. He said that he had **more** beautiful children than flowers. (Incomplete)

c. He said that he had many beautiful flowers **but not the children** who were the most beautiful flowers of all. (Meaning has changed)

d. He declared that he had many beautiful flowers, but the children were the most beautiful flowers of all. (Correct)

Ans444. (d)“You are a fool,” he said, “and I am your boss!”

a. He was the boss of a fool he said. (meaning has changed)

b. He **wondered** that he was the boss of a fool. (Incorrect reporting verb)

c. He **exclaimed** that he was the boss of a fool. (Incorrect reporting verb)

d. He said that he was a fool and exclaimed that he was his boss. (Correct)

Ans445.(a) Ravi exclaimed with delight that he was very glad to meet all his friends alive and safe.

a. "How glad I am,"said Ravi,"to meet my friends alive and safe."(Correct)

b. "How glad I **was**,"said Ravi,"to meet my friends alive and safe." (Incorrect change of tense)

c. "**I am glad** ,"said Ravi,"to meet my friends alive and safe." (It is not exclamatory)

d. "How glad I am,"said Ravi,"to meet my friends alive." (Incomplete-safe is missing)

Ans446.(b) Rajiv said,"Did they say they will not come to the party and go to visit granny in the hospital today?"

a. Rajiv asked if they **said** that they would not come to the party and go to visit granny in the hospital that day. (Incorrect change of tense)

b. Rajiv asked if they had said that they would not come to the party and go to visit granny in the hospital that day. (Correct)

c. Rajiv asked if they **have said** that they would not come to the party and go to visit granny in the hospital that day. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. Rajiv asked whether they **said** that they would not come to the party and go to visit granny in the hospital that day. (Incorrect change of tense)

Ans447. (c) The child said to his maid, "Take me to the park and I will ride my cycle round and round there."

a. The child said to his maid that she **takes** him to the park and he would ride his cycle round and round there. (Incorrect change of tense)

b. The child said to his maid **that** she took him to the park and he would ride his cycle round and round there. (Incorrect connecting word)

c. The child said to his maid to take him to the park and he would ride his cycle round and round there. (Correct)

d. The child said to his maid to take **the child** to the park and he would ride his cycle round and round there. (Incorrect word used)

Ans448. (c) The lady said, "It happened while I was in the bathroom, so I couldn't smell the gas leaking."

a. The lady said that it **happened** while she **was** in the bathroom, so she couldn't smell the gas leaking. (Incorrect change of tense)

b. The lady said that it **did happen** while she was in the bathroom, so she couldn't smell the gas leaking. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. The lady said that it had happened while she had been in the bathroom, so she couldn't smell the gas leaking. (Correct)

d. The lady said that it had happened while she was in the bathroom, so she couldn't **smelled** the gas leaking. (Incorrect word used)

Ans449. (d) The officer said, "Lady, Who do you think you are to behave so disrespectfully to my soldier!"

a. The officer **inquired** from the lady who she was to behave so disrespectfully to his soldier. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

b. The officer exclaimed angrily from the lady **who she was** to behave so disrespectfully to his soldier. (Incorrect sentence structure)

c. The officer **asked** the lady who she was to behave so disrespectfully to his soldier. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

d. The officer said angrily to the lady whom did she think she was to behave so disrespectfully to his soldier. (Correct)

Ans450. (d)The man said to his wife, "Lets go out for dinner tonight as your maid is on leave today."

a. The man **said** to his wife that lets go out for dinner that night as her maid was on leave that day. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

b. The man suggested to his wife **that lets** go out for dinner that night as her maid was on leave that day. (Incorrect words used)

c. The man said to his wife to go out for dinner that night as her maid was on leave that day. (Meaning changed)

d. The man suggested to his wife that they should go out for dinner that night as her maid was on leave that day. (Correct)