

**Solutions and Explanations:**

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**Ans351.(c)** The man said to his daughter, “The apple of my eyes, what do you want for your birthday?”

- The man called **his daughter lovingly** and asked what she wanted for her birthday. (Incomplete sentence- The apple of my eyes)
- The man **addressed** his daughter the apple of his eyes and asked what she wanted for her birthday. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- The man called his daughter the apple of his eyes and asked what she wanted for her birthday. (Correct)
- The man called his daughter the apple of his eyes and **said** what she wanted for her birthday. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

**Ans352.(d)** The teacher said to the boy, “You foolish boy Mahesh! How could you forget your hall ticket at home .”

- The teacher called Mahesh a foolish boy and **asked** how he could forget his hall ticket at home. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- The teacher called Mahesh a foolish boy and wondered how he **could forget** his hall ticket at home . (Incorrect change of tense)
- The teacher **addressed** Mahesh a foolish boy and wondered how he could forget his hall ticket at home. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- The teacher called Mahesh a foolish boy and wondered how he could have forgotten his hall ticket at home. (Correct)

**Ans353.(c)** He said to the people, “Please take your seats. We will discuss the matter in detail now.”

- He **said** to the people to take their seats and said that they would discuss the matter in detail then. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

b. He **requested** to the people to take their seats and said that they would discuss the matter in detail then. (To is incorrect)

c. He **requested** the people to take their seats and said that they would discuss the matter in detail then. (Correct)

d. He requested the people to take their seats and **ordered** that they would discuss the matter in detail then. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

**Ans354.(c)** The boy said to the guests, "Welcome."

a. The boy **was welcoming** the guests. (Incorrect change of tense)

b. The boy said to the guests welcome. (Incorrect sentence structure)

c. The boy welcomed the guests. (Correct)

d. The boy told the guests welcome. (Incorrect sentence structure)

**Ans355.(c)** My cousin said, "My room-mate studies throughout the night and makes notes every night."

I said, "And what about you?"

a. My cousin said that his room-mate **studied** throughout the night and made notes every night. I asked my cousin and what about him. (Incorrect change of tense)

b. My cousin said that his room-mate studies throughout the night and **made** notes every night. I asked my cousin and what about him. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. My cousin said that his room-mate studied throughout the night and makes notes every night. I asked my cousin and what about him. (Correct)

d. My cousin **says** that his room-mate studied throughout the night and made notes every night. I asked my cousin and what about him. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

**Ans356.(a)** The man said to the girl, "Hello." The girl replied, "Hello, How are you?"

a. The man greeted the girl. The girl also greeted the man and asked how he was. (Correct)

b. The man greeted the girl **and said hello**. The girl also greeted the man and asked how he was. (Not to be used)

c. The man greeted the girl. The girl also greeted the man and **told** how he was. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

d. The man greeted the girl. The girl also greeted the man and asked **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)

**Ans357.(c)** She said to him, "The weather is fine why don't you go today."

- a. She suggested to him that the weather was fine **so** why he didn't go that day. (Incorrect word used)
- b. She **interrogated** to him that the weather was fine so why he didn't go that day. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- c. She suggested to him that the weather was fine and asked so why he didn't go that day. (correct)
- d. She asked him why he didn't go that day. (Incomplete sentence)

**Ans358.(a)**The man said to the judge, "No, not at all I will not accept this. I have not done anything wrong."

- a. The man emphatically refused to accept that in front of the judge. He said that he had not done anything wrong. (Correct)
- b. The man refused to accept that in front of the judge. **He said that he had done anything wrong.** (Meaning of sentence changed)
- c. The man emphatically refused to accept that in front of the judge. He said that he had not **did** anything wrong. (Incorrect word)
- d. The man emphatically refused to accept that. He said that he had not done anything wrong. (Incomplete information)

**Ans359.(b)**"I wonder what he wants of us as he is always complaining," said Mohit.

- a. Mohit said that he **was wondering** what he wanted of them as he is always complaining. (Incorrect change of tense)
- b. Mohit said that he wondered what he wanted of them as he is always complaining. (correct)
- c. Mohit **said he** wondered what he wants of them as he is always complaining. (Incorrect connecting word)
- d. Mohit said that he wondered what he wanted of them as **he complained.** (Incorrect change of tense)

**Ans360.(a)**"What kind of scheme do you have ?" Amit asked the insurance agent.

- a. Amit asked the insurance agent what kind of scheme he did have. (correct)
- b. Amit asked the insurance agent what kind of scheme he/she **has.** (Incorrect change of tense)
- c. Amit asked the insurance agent what kind of scheme he/she **is having**(Incorrect change of tense)
- d. Amit asked the insurance agent what kind of scheme he/she **was having.** (Incorrect change of tense)

**Ans361.(c)**When did you meet my brother?" She asked me.

- a. She wanted to know when **did** I meet her brother(Incorrect change of tense)

- b. She asked when **did** I meet my brother(Incorrect change of tense)
- c. She asked me when I had met her brother (correct)
- d. She **wants** to know when I had met my brother(Incorrect Reporting Verb)

**Ans362.(d)**Sheela exclaimed,“ I’m afraid we have no money to pay the bill!”

- a. Sheela **exclaimed that** they were afraid they had no money to pay the bill. (Incomplete information)
- b. Sheela exclaimed that **Sheela** was afraid that they had no money to pay the bill.(pronoun not used)
- c. Sheela **shouted** that they were afraid they had no money to pay the bill (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- d. Sheela exclaimed with surprise that she was worried that they had no money to pay the bill. (correct)

**Ans363.(d)**My.Principal told me, “Don’t conduct any test tomorrow.”

- a. My Principal told me not to conduct any test **tomorrow**. (Incorrect word)
- b. My Principal told me not to conduct any test **tomorrow**. (Incorrect word)
- c. My Principal ordered me don’t conduct any test.(Incomplete information)
- d. My Principal ordered me not to conduct any test the next day.(Correct)

**Ans364.(a)**There are ceremonies going on”, he said to me.

- a. He told me that , there were ceremonies going on (correct)
- b. He told that there **have been ceremonies** going on(Incorrect change of tense)
- c. He told that there **had been ceremonies** going on(Incorrect change of tense)
- d. He told that there **are ceremonies** going on. (Incorrect change of tense)

**Ans365.(a)**Rajat said to me, “Can you do these sums for me?”

- a. Rajat asked me if I could do those sums for him.(correct)
- b. Rajat asked me if I **can** do those sums for him. (Incorrect change of tense)
- c. Rajat asked me if I **can** do these sums for him. (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. Rajat asked if I could do **these** sums for him. (Incorrect word)

**Ans366.(b)**My father once said to me, “If I can't trust my people, then I cant progress in life.”

- a. **His father** once told him that if he couldn’t trust his people then he couldnt progress in life(Incorrect change of pronoun)

b. My father once told me that if he couldn't trust his people then he couldn't progress in life (correct)

c. My father once told me that if he couldn't trust **my** people then he couldn't progress in life (Incorrect change of pronoun)

d. My father once told me that if he couldn't trust his people then he could progress in life (Meaning of sentence changed)

**Ans367.(a)** He said he reads the paper every morning.

a. He said, "I read the paper every morning." (Correct)

b. He said, "I **reads** the paper every morning." (Incorrect word)

c. He said, "I **will read** the paper every morning." (Incorrect change of tense)

d. He said, "He **had read** every morning." (Incorrect change of tense)

**Ans368.(c)** He said, "I intend to leave for Mumbai today".

a. He said that he **would intend** to leave for Mumbai today. (Incorrect word/s)

b. He said that he **should leave** for Mumbai that day. (Incorrect word/s)

**c. He said that he intended to leave for Mumbai that day. (Correct)**

d. He **intends to leave** for Mumbai today. (Incorrect word)

**Ans369.(a)** The Leader said that no one would be allowed to avoid taxes.

a. The Leader said, "We shall not allow any one to avoid taxes." (Correct)

b. The Leader said, "We **would** not allow no one to avoid taxes. (Incorrect change of tense)

c. The Leader said, "No one will avoid taxes," (Meaning of sentence changed)

d. The Leader said, "No one **can** avoid taxes." (Incorrect word)

**Ans370.(b)** "What did you eat for breakfast today?" the doctor asked the patient.

a. The doctor asked the patient whether he had eaten breakfast that day. (Meaning of sentence changed)

b. The doctor asked the patient what he had, eaten for breakfast that day. (Correct)

c. The doctor asked the patient whether he has eaten breakfast that day. (Meaning of sentence changed)

d. The doctor asked the patient whether **he was eaten** breakfast that day. (Incorrect sentence structure)

**Ans371.(b)** "What did you eat for breakfast today?" the doctor asked the patient.

- a. The doctor asked the patient whether he had eaten breakfast that day. (Meaning of sentence changed)
- b. The doctor asked the patient what he had, eaten for breakfast that day. (Correct)
- c. The doctor asked the patient whether he has eaten breakfast that day. (Meaning of sentence changed)
- d. The doctor asked the patient whether **he was eaten** breakfast that day. (Incorrect sentence structure)

**Ans372.(a)** "Why are you looking through the key hole? " I said.

- a. I asked him why he was looking through the key hole. (Correct)
- b. I **said to** him why he is looking through the key hole. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- c. I **said to** him that why he was looking through the key hole. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- d. I asked **you** why you are looking through the key hole. (Incorrect change of pronoun)

**Ans373.(c)** "If you don't keep quiet I shall shoot you", he said to her in a calm voice.

- a. He warned her to shoot if she didn't keep quiet **calmly**. (Calmly used at wrong place)
- b. He said calmly that **I** shall shoot you if you don't be quiet. (Incorrect change of pronoun)
- c. He warned her calmly that he would shoot her if she didn't keep quiet. (Correct)**
- d. Calmly he warned her that **be quiet** or else he will have to shoot her. (Incorrect sentence structure)

**Ans374.(c)** She said that her brother was getting married.

- a. She said, "**Her brother** is getting married." (Incorrect change of pronoun)
- b. She told, "**Her brother** is getting married." (Incorrect change of pronoun)
- c. She said, "My brother is getting married." (Correct)**
- d. She said, "My brother **was getting** married." (Incorrect change of tense)

**Ans375.(a)** The boy said, "Who dare call you a thief?"

- a. The boy asked who dared call him a thief. (Correct)**
- b. The boy **asked** who called him a thief. (main verb dare is missing)
- c. The boy **told** that who dared call him a thief. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- d. The boy **wondered** who dared call a thief. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

**Ans376.(c)** Durgesh says to his partner, "There is no stock in the godown, isn't there?"

- a. Durgesh asks his partner if there was no stock in the godown. (Tense does not change if the reporting speech is in present tense)
- b. Durgesh says to his partner if there is no stock in the godown, isn't there. (question tag is not used in indirect speech)
- c. Durgesh asks his partner if there is no stock in the godown. (Correct)**
- d. Durgesh asked his partner if there is no stock in the godown (incorrect reporting verb)

**Ans377.(a)**"Why are you crying, my son?" asked a soft voice close behind me. "I came to the fair alone and now I am lost."I replied.

**a. A soft voice behind me asked why I was crying. I replied that I had come alone to the fair and then I was lost. (Correct)**

- b. A soft voice behind me asked **that why** I was crying. I replied that I had come alone to the fair and then I was lost. (Remove that)
- c. A soft voice behind me asked why I was crying. I **replied I had** come alone to the fair and then I was lost. (Connecting word is missing)
- d. A soft voice behind me asked why I was crying. I replied that I had come alone to the fair and then I **were** lost. (Incorrect helping Verb)

**Ans378.(a)**She said to him, "Why don't you go today?"

**a. She asked him why he did not go that day.(Correct)**

- b. She said to him why he **don't go** that day. (Incorrect change of tense)
- c. She asked him not to go that day. (Meaning of sentence changed)
- d. She asked him why he did not go **today**. (Incorrect word)

**Ans379.(d)**He exclaimed with joy that India had won the world cup finals.

- a. He said, "India has won the world cup finals" ( Not an exclamatory sentence)
- b. He said, "India **won** the world cup finals"( Not an exclamatory sentence)
- c. He said, "How India **will win** the world cup finals"( Not an exclamatory sentence)
- d. He said, "Hurrah! India has won the world cup finals"(correct)**

**Ans380.(b)**The child looked at the puppy innocently and said, " I want to take you home."

- a. The child looked at the puppy innocently and said that he wants to take it home. (Incorrect change of tense)
- b. The child looked at the puppy innocently and said that he wanted to take it home. (Correct)**



c. The child looked at the puppy innocently and said that **he wanted it home to be taken.**  
(Incorrect structure)

d. The child **looks** at the puppy innocently and said that he wanted to take it home. (Incorrect reporting verb)

**Ans381.(a)**The man said, "No, I refuse to confess guilt."

**a. The man emphatically refused to confess guilt. (Correct)**

b. The man **refused** to confess his guilt. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

c. The man told that he **did not** confess guilt. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. The man was stubborn enough to confess guilt. (Meaning of sentence changed)

**Ans382.(c)**Nita ordered her servant to bring her a cup of tea.

a. Nita told her servant, "Bring a cup of tea." (Her is missing)

b. Nita said, "Bring me a cup of tea." (Listener is missing)

**c. Nita said to her servant, "Bring me a cup of tea."(Correct)**

d. Nita told her servant, "Bring her **that cup** of tea." (Incorrect word)

**Ans383.(a)**My cousin said, "My room-mate had snored throughout the night."

**a. My cousin said that her room-mate had snored throughout the night.(Correct)**

b. My cousin **told me** that her room-mate snored throughout the night.(listener is not there in the given sentence)

c. My cousin complained to me that her room-mate **is snoring** throughout the night. (Incorrect change of tense)

d. My cousin felt that her room-mate **may be snoring** throughout the night. (Incorrect word)

**Ans384.(a)**"Hurry up." he said to the servant, "Do not waste time."

**a. He ordered the servant to hurry up and not to waste time. (Correct)**

b. He ordered the **servant hurry up** and not to waste time. (Connecting word is missing)

c. He ordered the servant to hurry up **and to not** waste time. (Incorrect sentence structure)

d. He **requested** the servant to hurry up and not to waste time. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

**Ans385.(a)**He said, "Let the boy do whatever he likes."

**a. He suggested that the boy might be allowed to do whatever he liked. (Correct)**

b. He **suggests** that the boy might be allowed to do whatever he liked. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)



- c. He suggested that the boy might be **allow** to do whatever he liked. (Incorrect word)
- d. He suggested that the boy might be allowed to do whatever **he likes**. (Incorrect word)

**Ans386.(b)**The speaker said to his audience, "Friends, consider the matter well."

- a. Addressing the audience as friends, the speaker advised them to **considering** the matter well. (Incorrect word)

**b. Addressing the audience as friends, the speaker advised them to consider the matter well. (Correct)**

- c. Addressing the audience as friends, the speaker **advices** them to consider the matter well. (Incorrect word)
- d. **Addressed** the audience as friends, the speaker advised them to consider the matter well. (Incorrect word)

**Ans387.(a)**Sanjay said to Mani, "Go away. Don't show me your face again."

**a. Sanjay ordered Mani to go away and not to show her face again.(correct)**

- b. Sanjay ordered Mani to go away and **to not show** her face again. (Incorrect sentence structure)
- c. Sanjay ordered Mani to go **away not to** show her face again. (Incorrect sentence structure)
- d. Sanjay **orders** Mani to go away and not to show her face again. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

**Ans388.(a)**The man said, "Alas! what a fool I have been. How could I trust such a liar."

**a. The man confessed with sorrow that he had been a great fool and wondered how he could have trusted such a liar. (Correct)**

- b. The **man confesses** with sorrow that he had been a great fool and wondered how he could have trusted such a liar. (Incorrect reporting verb)
- c. The man confessed with sorrow that he **was a great** fool and wondered how he could have trusted such a liar. (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. The man confessed with sorrow that he had been a great fool and wondered how he **could trust** such a liar. (Incorrect change of tense)

**Ans389.(a)**They said to me, "How obliged we are to you for coming to this function !"

**a. They said to me that they were greatly obliged to me for coming to that function. (correct)**

- b. They **told to** me that they were greatly obliged to me for coming to that function.(Do not use to after told)
- c. They **asked** me that they were greatly obliged to me for coming to that function. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

d. They said to **me they** were greatly obliged to me for coming to that function. (Incorrect connecting word)

**Ans390.(c)**"Go home boys", said the teacher. "It's no point waiting here now."

a. The teacher ordered the boys to go home as there **were** no point waiting there then. (Incorrect word)

b. The teacher ordered the boys to go home as there **is** no point waiting there then. (Incorrect change of tense)

**c. The teacher ordered the boys to go home as there was no point waiting there then. (Correct)**

d. The teacher **requested** the boys to go home as there was no point waiting there then. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

**Ans391.(d)**My father said to me, "Do as I do. Only when you do as I do will you learn.

a. My father ordered me to do as he did and said that only when I did as he did **would I** learn.(Incorrect sentence structure)

b. My father ordered me to do as he **does** and said that only when I did as he did would I learn.(Incorrect change of tense)

c. My father ordered me to do as he did and **ordered** that only when I did as he did **would I** learn.(Incorrect sentence structure)

**d. My father ordered me to do as he did and said that only when I did as he did I would learn.(Correct)**

**Ans392.(b)**The teacher said, "John, why are you always late?"John said, "Mam I come from a very distant place everyday."

a. The teacher asked John why he was always late. John replied that he **came** from a very distant place everyday. (Incorrect change of tense)

**b. The teacher asked John why he was always late. John replied that he comes from a very distant place everyday. (Correct)**

c. The teacher asked John why **was he** always late. John replied that he came from a very distant place everyday. (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. The teacher asked John why he was always late. John replied that he came from a very distant place. (Everyday is missing)

**Ans393.(d)** 'What did you eat last night?' asked my mother. I Replied "I never eat anything at night mom."

a. My mother asked what **had I eaten** the previous night and I replied that I never eat anything at night. (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. My mother asked what **had I ate** the previous night and I replied that I never eat anything at night. (Incorrect word used)

c. My mother asked **what I ate** the previous night and I replied that I never eat anything at night. (Incorrect change of tense)

**d. My mother asked what I had eaten the previous night and I replied that I never eat anything at night. (Correct)**

**Ans394.(a)** "Where do you propose to go tomorrow that you are asking for a holiday?" said the employer to him.

**a. The employer asked him where he proposed to go the following day that he was asking for a holiday. (Correct)**

b. The employer **told** him where he proposed to go the following day that he was asking for a holiday. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

c. The employer asked him **that where** he proposed to go the following day that he was asking for a holiday. (Incorrect connecting word)

d. The employer **threatened** him where he proposed to go the following day that he was asking for a holiday. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)

**Ans395.(a)** "Help! Help! Help!" she cried. "There is some animal in the water that is pulling me down."

**a. She shouted for help and said that there was some animal in the water that was pulling her down. (Correct)**

b. She shouted for help and **said there** was some animal in the water that was pulling her down. (missing-connecting word)

c. She shouted for help and said that there **were** some animal in the water that was pulling her down. (Incorrect word)

d. She shouted **help help** and said that there was some animal in the water that was pulling her down. (Incorrect word)

**Ans396.(a)** "I took half day's leave as I had an appointment with the doctor yesterday", she said to her teacher.

**a. She said to her teacher that she had taken half day's leave as she had had an appointment with the doctor the previous day (correct)**

- b. She said to her teacher that she took half day's leave as she **had** an appointment with the doctor the previous day (incorrect tense)
- c. She said to her teacher that she had taken half day's leave as she had had an appointment with the doctor **yesterday**. (Incorrect word)
- d. She said to her teacher that she **had took** half day's leave as she had had an appointment with the doctor yesterday. (Incorrect word. Third form of take is taken)

**Ans397.(d)**“Do you want me to drop you home or you will manage?” asked my friend.

- a. My friend **asked he** wanted me to drop him home or he would manage (Connecting word is missing)
- b. My friend asked if he **wants** me to drop him home or he would manage (Incorrect change of tense)
- c. My friend asked if he wanted me to drop him home or he **would have managed** (incorrect change of tense)
- d. My friend asked if he wanted me to drop him home or he would manage (Correct)**

**Ans398.(b)**“I have seen the film before” Suneetha says.

- a. Suneetha said that she had seen the film before. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)
- b. Suneetha says that she has seen the film before (Correct)**
- c. Suneetha said that the film **was seen** by her before (Incorrect change of tense)
- d. Suneetha said that she **saw** the film earlier (Incorrect change of tense)

**Ans399.(a)**He will say, “Rules do not allow me to offer her any relaxation.”

- a. He will say that rules do not allow him to offer her any relaxation.(Correct)**
- b. He will say that rules **did** not allow him to offer her any relaxation.(Incorrect change of tense. If reporting verb is in present tense the tense of reported speech does not change)
- c. He **would** say that rules do not allow him to offer her any relaxation (incorrect reporting verb)
- d. He will **say rules** do not allow him to offer her any relaxation (no connecting word)

**Ans400.(c)**She said to the girl, “Did you do this?”

- a. She asked the girl **that** she did that. (Incorrect connecting word)
- b. She asked the girl if she **did** that. (Incorrect change of tense)
- c. She asked the girl if she had done that. (Correct)**
- d. She **told** the girl that she had done that. (Incorrect Reporting Verb)