

# Infosys English Grammar (for 2025 onwards) By – Mr. Durgesh StudyHub

## English Grammar (Hard Level, 30 Questions)

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Q1.

Choose the grammatically correct sentence:

- a) Neither of the boys are intelligent.
- b) Neither of the boys is intelligent.
- c) Neither of the boy are intelligent.
- d) Neither boys is intelligent.

**Answer:** b)

 **Explanation:** “Neither” is singular → use “is”.

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Q2.

Identify the error:

He insisted **to go** there himself.

- a) He
- b) insisted
- c) to go
- d) himself

**Answer:** c)

 **Explanation:** Correct form: “insisted on going”.

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Q3.

Select the correct form:

By next March, she \_\_\_\_\_ here for two years.

- a) is working
- b) will work
- c) will have worked
- d) has been working

**Answer:** c)

 **Explanation:** Future perfect tense expresses action completed by a future time.

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*Q4.*

Fill in the blank:

Hardly had I reached home \_\_\_\_\_ it started raining.

- a) when
- b) than
- c) that
- d) then

**Answer:** a)

 **Explanation:** “Hardly...when” is the correct correlative pair.

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*Q5.*

Choose the correct indirect speech:

She said, “I am reading now.”

- a) She said that she read then.
- b) She said that she was reading then.
- c) She said that she is reading now.
- d) She told she was reading.

**Answer:** b)

 **Explanation:** “Now” → “then”; present continuous → past continuous.

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*Q6.*

Select the correct article usage:

He is \_\_\_\_ honest man.

- a) a
- b) an
- c) the
- d) no article

**Answer:** b)

 **Explanation:** “Honest” begins with a vowel sound → “an”.

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Q7.

Choose the correct sentence:

- a) The news are good.
- b) The news is good.
- c) The news were good.
- d) The news be good.

**Answer:** b)

 **Explanation:** “News” is uncountable → singular verb.

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Q8.

Choose the correct tense:

He \_\_\_\_\_ for London two days ago.

- a) left
- b) has left
- c) leaves
- d) was leaving

**Answer:** a)

 **Explanation:** Past definite time “two days ago” → simple past.

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Q9.

Fill in the blank:

If I \_\_\_\_\_ you, I would apologize.

- a) am
- b) was
- c) were
- d) have been

**Answer:** c)

 **Explanation:** Subjunctive mood → use “were”.

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*Q10.*

Identify the correct preposition:

They congratulated her \_\_\_\_ her success.

- a) on
- b) for
- c) at
- d) about

**Answer:** a)

 **Explanation:** Fixed phrase: “congratulate someone on something.”

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*Q11.*

Choose the correct form:

She prefers tea \_\_\_\_ coffee.

- a) over
- b) to
- c) than
- d) on

**Answer:** b)

 **Explanation:** Correct idiom: “prefer X to Y”.

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*Q12.*

Find the error:

He said that he will come tomorrow.

- a) He said
- b) that
- c) he will
- d) tomorrow

**Answer:** c)

 **Explanation:** Past reporting verb → “would come”.

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*Q13.*

Choose the correct passive voice:

They are building a new bridge.

- a) A new bridge is being built by them.
- b) A new bridge was built by them.
- c) A new bridge has been built by them.
- d) A new bridge is built by them.

**Answer:** a)

 **Explanation:** “Are building” → “is being built”.

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*Q14.*

Choose correct conditional:

If he had worked harder, he \_\_\_\_\_ passed.

- a) will have
- b) would have
- c) would
- d) had

**Answer:** b)

 **Explanation:** Third conditional structure.

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*Q15.*

Correct the error:

Each of the players have a unique number.

- a) Each
- b) of the players
- c) have
- d) a unique number

**Answer:** c)

 **Explanation:** “Each” → singular verb “has”.

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*Q16.*

Select correct preposition:

He was accused \_\_\_\_ theft.

- a) for
- b) of
- c) with
- d) to

**Answer:** b)

 **Explanation:** “Accused of” is the right phrase.

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Q17.

Identify correct comparative form:

This book is \_\_\_ than that one.

- a) more interesting
- b) most interesting
- c) interesting
- d) interestingest

**Answer:** a)

 **Explanation:** Two objects → comparative “more interesting”.

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Q18.

Find the error:

She is one of the best player in the team.

- a) She
- b) is
- c) the best player
- d) in the team

**Answer:** c)

 **Explanation:** Plural needed → “best players”.

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Q19.

Choose the correct tag:

He can drive a car, \_\_\_?

- a) can’t he
- b) doesn’t he
- c) won’t he
- d) isn’t he

**Answer:** a)

 **Explanation:** Positive statement → negative tag with same modal.

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### *Q20.*

Fill in the blank:

I wish I \_\_\_\_\_ taller.

- a) am
- b) was
- c) were
- d) had been

**Answer:** c)

 **Explanation:** Subjunctive → “I wish I were”.

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### *Q21.*

Correct the sentence:

No sooner had he reached the station when the train left.

- a) Replace “when” with “than”.
- b) Replace “had” with “have”.
- c) Replace “reached” with “reach”.
- d) Replace “left” with “leaves”.

**Answer:** a)

 **Explanation:** “No sooner...than” is correct correlative pair.

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### *Q22.*

Choose the correct tense:

I \_\_\_\_\_ my homework before dinner yesterday.

- a) finish
- b) had finished
- c) have finished
- d) finished

**Answer:** b)

 **Explanation:** “Before another past action” → past perfect.

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### *Q23.*

Find correct usage:

She is good \_\_\_\_ dancing.

- a) in
- b) at
- c) with
- d) on

**Answer:** b)

 **Explanation:** Fixed phrase: “good at”.

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*Q24.*

Choose correct word order:

- a) Rarely I have seen such beauty.
- b) Rarely have I seen such beauty.
- c) I have rarely seen such beauty.
- d) I rarely have seen such beauty.

**Answer:** b)

 **Explanation:** “Rarely” at start → subject–verb inversion.

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*Q25.*

Identify the correct sentence:

- a) The committee have decided the issue.
- b) The committee has decided the issue.
- c) The committee were deciding the issue.
- d) The committee decide the issue.

**Answer:** b)

 **Explanation:** “Committee” (collective noun) → singular unless emphasizing members.

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*Q26.*

Choose correct relative pronoun:

The man \_\_\_\_\_ wallet was stolen went to the police.

- a) who
- b) whom
- c) whose
- d) which

**Answer:** c)

 **Explanation:** Possession → “whose”.

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*Q27.*

Select correct voice:

- Do they sell flowers here?
- a) Are flowers being sold here?
  - b) Are flowers sold here?
  - c) Were flowers sold here?
  - d) Have flowers been sold here?

**Answer:** b)

 **Explanation:** Simple present → “Are flowers sold”.

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*Q28.*

Identify error:

Neither he nor I are responsible.

- a) Neither
- b) he
- c) nor I
- d) are

**Answer:** d)

 **Explanation:** Verb agrees with nearer subject (“I”) → “am”.

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*Q29.*

Select correct usage:

He has been ill \_\_\_\_\_ three days.

- a) since
- b) from
- c) for
- d) till

**Answer:** c)

 **Explanation:** Duration → “for three days”.

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*Q30.*

Choose correct conjunction:

He is both honest \_\_\_\_ hardworking.

- a) and
- b) as
- c) also
- d) but

**Answer:** a)

 **Explanation:** Correlative pair → “both...and”.

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**Q1.** Neither the teacher nor the students \_\_\_\_ present today.

- a) was
- b) were
- c) is
- d) be

**Answer:** b) were

**Explanation:** When using “neither...nor,” the verb agrees with the **nearest subject** (students → plural).

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**Q2.** The jury \_\_\_\_ divided in their opinion.

- a) was
- b) were
- c) is
- d) be

**Answer:** b) were

**Explanation:** Collective noun ‘jury’ takes plural verb when members act individually.

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**Q3.** She spoke to me as if she \_\_\_\_ me for years.

- a) knows
- b) knew
- c) has known
- d) had known

**Answer:** d) had known

**Explanation:** “As if” + past perfect is used to express unreal or imaginary situations.

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**Q4.** Each of the boys \_\_\_\_ given a prize.

- a) have
- b) were

- c) was
- d) are

**Answer:** c) was

**Explanation:** ‘Each’ is singular and takes singular verb.

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**Q5.** Scarcely had I entered the hall \_\_\_ the lights went off.

- a) when
- b) than
- c) that
- d) then

**Answer:** a) when

**Explanation:** Correct structure: “Scarcely had...when.”

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**Q6.** Neither of the answers \_\_\_ correct.

- a) are
- b) were
- c) was
- d) be

**Answer:** c) was

**Explanation:** “Neither” is singular → singular verb.

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**Q7.** No sooner had she arrived \_\_\_ she started complaining.

- a) when
- b) than
- c) then
- d) and

**Answer:** b) than

**Explanation:** “No sooner...than” is the correct correlative pair.

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**Q8.** If he \_\_\_ harder, he would have succeeded.

- a) works
- b) worked
- c) had worked
- d) would work

**Answer:** c) had worked

**Explanation:** Past unreal condition → “If + past perfect, would have + V3.”

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**Q9.** The number of students \_\_\_ increasing day by day.

- a) are

- b) were
- c) is
- d) be

**Answer:** c) is

**Explanation:** “The number of” → singular meaning → singular verb.

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**Q10.** A bouquet of roses \_\_\_ lying on the table.

- a) are
- b) were
- c) is
- d) have been

**Answer:** c) is

**Explanation:** Subject = “bouquet” (singular collective noun).

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**Q11.** Not only the students but also the teacher \_\_\_ present.

- a) were
- b) was
- c) are
- d) have been

**Answer:** b) was

**Explanation:** Verb agrees with the **nearest subject** (teacher → singular).

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**Q12.** He insisted that he \_\_\_ innocent.

- a) is
- b) was
- c) be
- d) were

**Answer:** c) be

**Explanation:** In reported speech of insistence, base form of verb (subjunctive) is used.

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**Q13.** Either Ramesh or his brothers \_\_\_ to blame.

- a) is
- b) are
- c) was
- d) has

**Answer:** b) are

**Explanation:** Verb agrees with the nearest noun (“brothers”).

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**Q14.** I wish I \_\_\_\_ the answer.

- a) know
- b) knew
- c) have known
- d) was knowing

**Answer:** b) knew

**Explanation:** Unreal wish → use past tense (“knew”).

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**Q15.** No less than five students \_\_\_\_ failed.

- a) have
- b) has
- c) is
- d) was

**Answer:** a) have

**Explanation:** “No less than” is plural in sense here.

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**Q16.** The committee \_\_\_\_ agreed on the plan.

- a) has
- b) have
- c) are
- d) were

**Answer:** a) has

**Explanation:** Collective noun acting together → singular verb.

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**Q17.** Neither of them \_\_\_\_ finished the task.

- a) have
- b) has
- c) are
- d) were

**Answer:** b) has

**Explanation:** “Neither” → singular → “has.”

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**Q18.** Had I known her address, I \_\_\_\_ her.

- a) visit
- b) visited
- c) would visit
- d) would have visited

**Answer:** d) would have visited

**Explanation:** Past unreal condition uses “had + V3” with “would have + V3.”

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**Q19.** Much noise \_\_\_\_ made by the crowd.

- a) was
- b) were
- c) has
- d) are

**Answer:** a) was

**Explanation:** “Noise” is singular uncountable.

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**Q20.** The book, as well as the notes, \_\_\_\_ missing.

- a) are
- b) were
- c) is
- d) have been

**Answer:** c) is

**Explanation:** “As well as” doesn’t make the subject plural → main subject = book.

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**Q21.** Neither of the two girls \_\_\_\_ completed the work.

- a) has
- b) have
- c) were
- d) are

**Answer:** a) has

**Explanation:** “Neither” → singular → “has.”

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**Q22.** Many a man \_\_\_\_ tried and failed.

- a) have
- b) has
- c) were
- d) are

**Answer:** b) has

**Explanation:** “Many a” is always singular.

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**Q23.** Five years \_\_\_\_ a long time to wait.

- a) is
- b) are
- c) have
- d) were

**Answer:** a) is

**Explanation:** Time, money, distance as a unit → singular verb.

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**Q24.** It's high time we \_\_\_\_ home.

- a) go
- b) went
- c) gone
- d) have gone

**Answer:** b) went

**Explanation:** “It's high time” is followed by **past tense** to indicate urgency.

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**Q25.** Hardly had he finished his work \_\_\_\_ he went out.

- a) than
- b) when
- c) that
- d) because

**Answer:** b) when

**Explanation:** “Hardly...when” is correct pair.

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**Q26.** None of the information \_\_\_\_ correct.

- a) is
- b) are
- c) were
- d) have been

**Answer:** a) is

**Explanation:** “Information” is uncountable → singular.

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**Q27.** One of the boys \_\_\_\_ late today.

- a) were
- b) are
- c) was
- d) have been

**Answer:** c) was

**Explanation:** “One of” + plural noun → singular verb.

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**Q29.** He talks as though he \_\_\_ everything.

- a) knows
- b) knew
- c) has known
- d) is knowing

**Answer:** b) knew

**Explanation:** “As though/as if” for unreal → past tense form.

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**Q30.** Each of the players \_\_\_ awarded a medal.

- a) were
- b) was
- c) are
- d) be

**Answer:** b) was

**Explanation:** “Each” → singular subject → singular verb.