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Question 1

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

Choose the one answer that will fix all agreement problems in the sentence. If no error exists, choose "No change is necessary".

When **patients** ignore the instructions of doctors, **they** might die or **his or her** health becomes worse.

Select one:

- ☐ a. Change patients to a patient.
- ☐ b. Change his or her to their.
- ☐ c. No change is necessary.
- ☒ d. Change they to he or she. ✖

Their [plural] will agree with **patients** and **they**.

Question 2

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

Choose the one answer that will fix all agreement problems in the passage. If no error exists, choose "No change is necessary".

When Ayesha was at her grandfather's funeral, her mother's crying and her grandmother's lamenting were so loud that **they** mystified her.

Select one:

- ☐ a. Change they to she.
- ☒ b. No change is necessary. ✔
- ☐ c. Change they to he.
- ☐ d. Change they to he or she.

Crying and **lamenting** make a plural antecedent and thus require a plural pronoun.

Question 3

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

Choose the one answer that will fix all agreement problems in the passage. If no error exists, choose "No change is necessary".

The computer's monitor has lost its power, and most of the keys have lost its function. All of the system components, however, can still perform their job.

Select one:

- ☒ a. No change is necessary. ❌
- ☐ b. Change its power to their power.
- ☐ c. Change its function to their function.
- ☐ d. Change their job to its job.

Most refers to **keys** [plural] and thus requires a plural pronoun for agreement.

Question 4

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

Choose the one answer that will fix all agreement problems in the passage. If no error exists, choose "No change is necessary".

Not only the nurses but also the doctor opened their eyes wide in disbelief when the child woke from the coma.

Select one:

- ☒ a. Change their to her. ✅
- ☐ b. Change their to his or her.
- ☐ c. No change is necessary.
- ☐ d. Change their to its.

doctor the antecedent that counts for agreement, requires a singular pronoun.

Question 5

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

Choose the one answer that will fix all agreement problems in the sentence. If no error exists, choose "No change is necessary".

Everyone should attend the workshop by Dr. Asanka because the extra credit points will help **them** improve **their** averages at the end of the semester.

Select one:

- ☐ a. Change them to him or her.
- ☐ b. Change Everyone to All students.
- ☒ c. No change is necessary. ❌
- ☐ d. Change their to his or her.

Everyone is singular. You need to have a plural antecedent for the **them** and **their** which follow.

Question 6

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

Choose the one answer that will fix all agreement problems in the sentence. If no error exists, choose "No change is necessary".

Ravi refuses to eat coconut sambol because **their** red onions make his breath stink so badly that his girlfriends won't like that smell.

Select one:

- ☐ a. Change their to its.
- ☐ b. Change their to his or her.
- ☐ c. Change their to his.
- ☒ d. No change is necessary. ❌

Sambol is singular and requires a singular pronoun without gender, such as **it**.

Question 7

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

Choose the appropriate pronoun for the sentence.

Anyone can join our group if _____ is really interested.

Select one:

- ☐ a. hers
- ☐ b. he
- ☐ c. its
- ☒ d. they ❌

Anyone is referred to by singular pronouns.

Question 8

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

For the sentence below, select the choice that uses pronoun agreement correctly. If the original sentence is correct, select "no change is necessary."

Neither Mary nor Ravi studied his or her spelling words.

Select one:

- ☐ a. Neither Mary nor Ravi studied theirs spelling words.
- ☐ b. Neither Mary nor Ravi studied hers spelling words.
- ☐ c. Neither Mary nor Ravi studied thier spelling words.
- ☒ d. No change is necessary. ✓

The word neither is singular and you have to use a singular pronoun.

Question 9

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

Choose the one answer that will fix all agreement problems in the passage. If no error exists, choose "No change is necessary".

Both Amali and her little brother, take her or his afternoon naps under the mango tree.

Select one:

- ☐ a. Change his or her to his.
- ☐ b. Change his or her to its.
- ☒ c. Change his or her to their. ✓
- ☐ d. No change is necessary.

Amali and her little brother is a plural antecedent requiring the plural pronoun their.

Question 10

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

Choose the one answer that will fix all agreement problems in the passage. If no error exists, choose "No change is necessary"

Uncle Sam's noisy neighbours so disturbed poor Chithra, who was studying for the examination, that she scolded it.

Select one:

- ☒ a. Change it to them. ✓
- ☐ b. Change it to her.
- ☐ c. Change it to him or her.
- ☐ d. No change is necessary.

The neighbours are a plural antecedent requiring the plural pronoun them.

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