

## SENTENCE CORRECTION 1-06-2017

### Question-1

A "calendar stick" carved centuries ago by the Winnebago tribe may provide the first evidence "that the North American Indians have developed advanced full-year calendars basing them" on systematic astronomical observation.

- (A) that the North American Indians have developed advanced full-year calendars basing them
- (B) of the North American Indians who have developed advanced full-year calendars and based them
- (C) of the development of advanced full-year calendars by North American Indians, basing them
- (D) of the North American Indians and their development of advanced full-year calendars based
- (E) that the North American Indians developed advanced full-year calendars based

### Question-2

1972 agreement between Canada and the United States "reduced the amount of phosphates that municipalities had been allowed to dump" into the Great Lakes.

- (A) reduced the amount of phosphates that municipalities had been allowed to dump
- (B) reduced the phosphate amount that municipalities had been dumping
- (C) reduces the phosphate amount municipalities have been allowed to dump
- (D) reduced the amount of phosphates that municipalities are allowed to dump
- (E) reduces the amount of phosphates allowed for dumping by municipalities

### Question-3

A collection of 38 poems by Phillis Wheatley, a slave, was published in the 1770's, the first book by a Black woman and "it was only the second published by an American woman."

- (A) it was only the second published by an American woman
- (B) it was only the second that an American woman published
- (C) the second one only published by an American woman
- (D) the second one only that an American woman published
- (E) only the second published by an American woman

### Question- 4

A common disability in test pilots is hearing impairment, "a consequence of sitting too close to large jet engines for long periods of time."

- (A) a consequence of sitting too close to large jet engines for long periods of time
- (B) a consequence from sitting for long periods of time too near to large jet engines
- (C) a consequence which resulted from sitting too close to large jet engines for long periods of time
- (D) damaged from sitting too near to large jet engines for long periods of time
- (E) damaged because they sat too close to large jet engines for long periods of time

### Question-5

A controversial figure throughout most of his public life, the Black leader Marcus Garvey advocated "that some Blacks return to Africa, the land that, to him, symbolized the possibility of freedom."

- (A) that some Blacks return to Africa, the land that, to him, symbolized the possibility of freedom
- (B) that some Blacks return to the African land symbolizing the possibility of freedom to him
- (C) that some Blacks return to Africa which was the land which symbolized the possibility of freedom to him
- (D) some Black's returning to Africa which was the land that to him symbolized the possibility of freedom
- (E) some Black's return to the land symbolizing the possibility of freedom to him, Africa

### Question-6

A fire in an enclosed space burns with the aid of reflected radiation that preheats the fuel, making ignition much easier and "flames spreading" more quickly.

- (A) flames spreading

- (B) flame spreads
- (C) flames are caused to spread
- (D) causing flames to spread
- (E) causing spreading of the flames

Question-7

A firm that specializes in the analysis of handwriting claims "from a one-page writing sample that it can assess" more than three hundred personality traits, including enthusiasm, imagination, and ambition.

- (A) from a one-page writing sample that it can assess
- (B) from a one-page writing sample it has the ability of assessing
- (C) the ability, from a one-page writing sample, of assessing
- (D) to be able, from a one-page writing sample, to assess
- (E) being able to assess, from a one-page writing sample,

Question-8

A huge flying reptile that died out with the dinosaurs some 65 million years ago, the Quetzalcoatlus had a wingspan of 36 feet, "believed to be" the largest flying creature the world has ever seen.

- (A) believed to be
- (B) and that is believed to be
- (C) and it is believed to have been
- (D) which was, it is believed,
- (E) which is believed to be

Question-9

A Labor Department study states that the " numbers of women employed outside the home grew by more than a thirty-five percent increase" in the past decade and accounted for more than sixty-two percent of the total growth in the civilian work force.

- (A) numbers of women employed outside the home grew by more than a thirty-five percent increase
- (B) numbers of women employed outside the home grew more than thirty-five percent
- (C) numbers of women employed outside the home were raised by more than thirty-five percent
- (D) number of women employed outside the home increased by more than thirty-five percent
- (E) number of women employed outside the home was raised by more than a thirty-five percent increase

Question-10

A large rise in the number of housing starts in the coming year should boost new construction dollars by several billion dollars, " making the construction industry's economic health much more robust than five years ago."

- (A) making the construction industry's economic health much more robust than five years ago
- (B) and make the construction industry's economic health much more robust than five years ago
- (C) making the construction industry's economic health much more robust than it was five years ago
- (D) to make the construction industry's economic health much more robust than five years ago
- (E) in making the construction industry's economic health much more robust than it as five years ago

Question-11

"A letter by Mark Twain, written in the same year as The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn were published," reveals that Twain provided financial assistance to one of the first Black students at Yale Law School.

- (A) A letter by Mark Twain, written in the same year as The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn were published,

- (B) A letter by Mark Twain, written in the same year of publication as *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*,
- (C) A letter by Mark Twain, written in the same year that *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* was published,
- (D) Mark Twain wrote a letter in the same year as he published *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* that
- (E) Mark Twain wrote a letter in the same year of publication as *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* that

#### Question-12

A little under a million years ago, the briny waters of the Baltic Sea began flooding into the cold North Atlantic: geologists are still debating "whether the flood was gradual or created a cataclysm."

- (A) whether the flood was gradual or created a cataclysm
- (B) if the flood was gradual or created a cataclysm
- (C) about whether the flood was gradual or cataclysmic
- (D) whether the flood was gradual or cataclysmic
- (E) whether the flood was gradual or it created a cataclysm

#### Question-13

13. A majority of the international journalists surveyed view nuclear power stations as unsafe at present but "that they will, or could," be made sufficiently safe in the future.

- (A) that they will, or could,
- (B) that they would, or could,
- (C) they will be or could
- (D) think that they will be or could
- (E) think the power stations would or could

#### Question-14

A migraine typically afflicts one side of the head, lasts for hours or days, and may recur "as infrequently as once every other month or often," as daily.

- (A) as infrequently as once every other month or often, as
- (B) as infrequently as once every other month or as often as
- (C) infrequently, as often as once every other month, or often, like
- (D) infrequently, like once every other month, or often, like
- (E) infrequently, like once every other month, or as often as

#### Question-15

"A new phenomena, which is visible at Managua's major intersections, are waves of vendors and beggars, which include many children and" mob cars at the stoplights.

- (A) A new phenomena, which is visible at Managua's major intersections, are waves of vendors and beggars, which include many children and
- (B) Visible at Managua's major intersections are waves of vendors and beggars with many children, new phenomena that
- (C) A new phenomenon visible at Managua's major intersections is waves of vendors and beggars, many of them children, who
- (D) Phenomenally new waves of vendors, beggars, and many children are visible at Managua's major intersections, which
- (E) A wave of vendors and beggars, many of whom are children, are visible at Managua's major intersections, where they are a new phenomenon and

#### Question-16

A number of linguists contend "that all of the thousands of languages spoken by the world's five billion people can be traced back" to a common root language.

- (A) that all of the thousands of languages spoken by the world's five billion people can be traced

- (B) that the world's five billion people speak thousands of languages of which all can be traced
- (C) the world's five billion people speak thousands of languages which are all traceable
- (D) all of the thousands of languages spoken by the world's five billion people to be traceable
- (E) the ability to trace all of the thousands of languages that are spoken by the world's five billion people

Question-17

A patient accusing a doctor of malpractice will find it difficult to prove damage " if there is a lack of some other doctor to testify" about proper medical procedures.

- (A) if there is a lack of some other doctor to testify
- (B) unless there will be another doctor to testify
- (C) without another doctor's testimony
- (D) should there be no testimony from some other doctor
- (E) lacking another doctor to testify

Question-18

A peculiar feature of the embryonic mammalian circulatory system is that in the area of the heart the cells adhere to one another, "beating in unison and adopting" specialized orientations exclusive of one another.

- (A) beating in unison and adopting
- (B) they beat in unison while adopting
- (C) beat in unison, and adopt
- (D) beating in unison yet adopting
- (E) even though they beat in unison and adopt

Question-19

A President entering the final two years of a second term is "likely to be at a severe disadvantage and is often unable" to carry out a legislative program.

- (A) likely to be at a severe disadvantage and is often unable to
- (B) likely severely disadvantaged and often unable to
- (C) liable to be severely disadvantaged and cannot often
- (D) liable that he or she is at a severe disadvantage and cannot often
- (E) at a severe disadvantage, often likely to be unable that he or she can

Question-20

20. A prolific architect who worked from the turn of the century until the late 1950's, " Julia Morgan designed nearly 800 buildings in California, perhaps most notably William Randolph Hearst's monumental estate at San Simeon. "

- (A) Julia Morgan designed nearly 800 buildings in California, perhaps most notably William Randolph Hearst's monumental estate at San Simeon
- (B) perhaps the most notable of the nearly 800 buildings in California designed by Julia Morgan was William Randolph Hearst's monumental estate at San Simeon
- (C) of the nearly 800 buildings in California designed by Julia Morgan, perhaps the most notable was William Randolph Hearst's monumental estate at San Simeon
- (D) nearly 800 buildings in California were designed by Julia Morgan, of which William Randolph Hearst's monumental estate at San Simeon is perhaps the most notable
- (E) William Randolph Hearst's monumental estate at San Simeon is perhaps the most notable of the nearly 800 buildings in California designed by Julia Morgan

Question 21

2009 had fewer new individual buyers of life insurance than any year since Limca, a market research firm, began tracking the data in 1988.

- A. 2009 had fewer new individual buyers of life insurance than any year since Limca, a market research firm, began tracking the data in 1988.

- B. 2009 had fewer new individual buyers of life insurance than any year since 1988 when Limca, a market research firm, began tracking this data.
- C. 2009 had fewer new individual buyers of life insurance than in any year since 1988 when Limca, a market research firm, began tracking this data.
- D. 2009 had lesser new buyers of individual life insurance than any year since Limca, a market research firm, began tracking the data in 1988.
- E. 2009 had lesser new individual buyers of life insurance than any year since Limca, a market research firm, began tracking the data in 1988.

OAs:

1. E parallelism-carved, developed, based
2. D

Since the dumping continued after the date of the agreement, the past perfect verb had been allowed is incorrect. The verb should instead be-

1. present are allowed- if agreement was in effect when this was written.
2. past were allowed- if the agreement was no longer in effect when this was written

B changes the meaning of the sentence by stating that – the amount of phosphate that municipalities were dumping whereas it only talks about the limit and not whether they were up to the limit.

C, E use wrong tense.

Further allowed for dumping in E is unidiomatic. Also the phrase amount of phosphate is clear and idiomatically correct, whereas phosphate amount is not idiomatic.

Simply put- for all you know the agreement was still in effect or not, as per that either the usage of were or are should have been there as past verb.

in all other cases that is not followed.

3. E Parallelism

4. A

5. A

Options B and C are ambiguous and unclear. D and E are wrong due to the use of apostrophe which modifies the meaning of the sentence, incorrectly.

6. D

7. D

It correctly connects the verb "claims" with claims to be able .....to assess....

All of the other choices use grammatically incorrect choices after claims. Choices A and B present clauses that should be introduced by "claims that". In B, the ability of assessing is unidiomatic.

Same with C. Choice E is also grammatically incorrect.

8. C

OA-C

A - incorrect - participial phrase is incorrectly referring to 36 feet.

B - incorrect - misplaced modifier, 'that' is modifying the wingspan instead of the reptile.

D, E - incorrect - "which" modifying "a wingspan", instead of modifying "Quetzalcoatlus"

9. D

Clearly, all other answer options have wrong idiomatic usage as numbers of women , In E the tense was is wrong.

10. C

11. C

the relative pronoun that rather than the comparative as must be used. Pus singular form of sentence so no plurals required. Easily eliminate A and D. B and E are unclear.

12. D Since gradual and cataclysmic both are adjectives and as per parallelism, makes complete grammatical sense.

13. D by parallelism
14. B This option has the right idiomatic usage.
15. C
16. A All other options are unclear or grammatically incorrect.
17. C
18. D Since it says peculiar feature. Also last part of the sentence- specialized orientations exclusive of one another, means that even though it beats in unison still it can perform this activity. That is why yet is best suited here
19. A
20. A Rest all other answer options have modifier problems.
21. B
- A and B come close, but B explains what data is being tracked and is more specific.
- C says in any year but does not say in 2009. This is an error. To use in, they should have said "In 2009....than in...
- D and E. Lesser is used instead of fewer so that will not work.