

Directions for Q1 to Q5: Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore the errors of punctuation, if any).

1. (a) We discussed about the problem so thoroughly.
(b) on the eve of the examination.
(c) that I found it very easy to work it out.
(d) No error

Answer: a

2. (a) An Indian ship
(b) laden with merchandise
(c) got drowned in the Pacific Ocean.
(d) No error.

Answer: c

3. (a) One of the members
(b) expressed doubt if
(c) the Minister was an atheist.
(d) No error.

Answer: b

4. (a) I have got
(b) my M.Sc. degree
(c) in 1988.
(d) No error

Answer: a.

5. (a) Do the roses in your garden smell
(b) more sweetly
(c) than those in ours?
(d) No error

Answer: c

Directions for Q6 to Q10: In the following the questions choose the word which best expresses the meaning of the given word.

6. NEUTRAL

- (a) Unbiased
- (b) Non-aligned
- (c) Undecided
- (d) Indifferent

Answer: a

7. SHALLOW

- (a) Artificial
- (b) Superficial
- (c) Foolish
- (d) Worthless

Answer: b

8. INSOLVENT

- (a) Poor
- (b) Bankrupt
- (c) Penniless
- (d) Broke

Answer: b

9. INEXPLICABLE

- (a) Confusing
- (b) Unaccountable
- (c) Chaotic
- (d) Unconnected

10. RABBLE

- (a) Mob
- (b) Noise
- (c) Roar
- (d) Rubbish

Directions for Q11 to Q15: Some proverbs/idioms are given below together with their meanings. Choose the correct meaning of proverb/idiom, If there is no correct meaning given, E (i.e.) 'None of these' will be the answer

11. To make clean breast of

- (a) To gain prominence
- (b) To praise oneself
- (c) To confess without of reserve
- (d) To destroy before it blooms
- (e) None of these

Answer: C

12. To keeps one's temper

- (a) To become hungry
- (b) To be in good mood
- (c) To preserve ones energy
- (d) To be aloof from
- (e) None of these

Answer: d

13. To catch a tartar

- (a) To trap wanted criminal with great difficulty
- (b) To catch a dangerous person
- (c) To meet with disaster
- (d) To deal with a person who is more than one's match
- (e) None of these

Answer: d

14. To drive home

- (a) To find one's roots
- (b) To return to place of rest
- (c) Back to original position
- (d) To emphasise

(e) None of these

Answer: d

15. To have an axe to grind

(a) A private end to serve

(b) To fail to arouse interest

(c) To have no result

(d) To work for both sides

(e) None of these

Answer: a

Direction for Q16 to Q19: Which of the phrases given below each sentence should replace the phrase printed in bold to make the grammatically correct? If the sentence is correct as it is, mark 'E' as the answer.

16. The small child does whatever his father was done.

(a) has done

(b) did

(c) does

(d) had done

(e) No correction required

17. You need not come unless you want to.

(a) You don't need to come unless you want to

(b) You come only when you want to

(c) You come unless you don't want to

(d) You needn't come until you don't want to

(e) No correction required

Answer: a

18. There are not many men who are so famous that they are frequently referred to by their short names only

(a) initials

(b) signatures

(c) pictures

(d) middle names

(d) No correction required

Answer: a

19. The man to who I sold my house was a cheat.

(a) to whom I sell

(b) to who I sell

(c) who was sold to

(d) to whom I sold

(e) No correction required