

Spotting Errors

1. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
   The athletes will resume their intensive outdoor training programme (A)/ as soon as pollution levels in the metropolitan region will return (B)/ to the range considered safe for prolonged physical activity (C)/ by the national association of sports physicians. (D)
   (a) The athletes will resume their intensive outdoor training programme
   (b) as soon as pollution levels in the metropolitan region will return
   (c) to the range considered safe for prolonged physical activity
   (d) by the national association of sports physicians
2. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
   A recent municipal survey indicates that the number of households (A)/ adopting rooftop rainwater-harvesting systems have increased considerably (B)/ since the city introduced partial subsidies for equipment (C)/ capable of storing and filtering seasonal rainfall. (D)
   (a) A recent municipal survey indicates that the number of households
   (b) adopting rooftop rainwater-harvesting systems have increased considerably
   (c) since the city introduced partial subsidies for equipment
   (d) capable of storing and filtering seasonal rainfall
3. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
   The chief cartographer, together with two field surveyors (A)/ and an experienced local guide, has completed a remarkable detailed map (B)/ of the underground passages connecting the remote plateau (C)/ with the valleys beyond the northern mountain range. (D)
   (a) The chief cartographer, together with two field surveyors
   (b) and an experienced local guide, has completed a remarkable detailed map
   (c) of the underground passages connecting the remote plateau
   (d) with the valleys beyond the northern mountain range
4. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
   An acclaimed investigative journalist who spent more than a decade (A)/ investigating illegal mining operations in remote regions (B)/ she has now published a comprehensive account of the networks (C)/ that financed the environmentally destructive activity. (D)
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   (b) investigating illegal mining operations in remote regions
   (c) she has now published a comprehensive account of the networks
   (d) that financed the environmentally destructive activity
5. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
   The stone embankment looks as though it has sank (A)/ several centimetres since unusually strong currents began eroding (B)/ the compacted soil beneath its eastern section (C)/ during the most recent rainy season. (D)
   (a) The stone embankment looks as though it has sank
   (b) several centimetres since unusually strong currents began eroding
   (c) the compacted soil beneath its eastern section
   (d) No error



6. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
Several exceptionally rare species of moss have been documented (A)/ at different parts of the abandoned quarry, particularly in crevices (B)/ where mineral-rich water accumulates throughout the year (C)/ and direct sunlight seldom reaches the exposed rock. (D)
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   (b) at different parts of the abandoned quarry, particularly in crevices
   (c) where mineral-rich water accumulates throughout the year
   (d) and direct sunlight seldom reaches the exposed rock
7. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
Because the experimental ceramic membrane remained stable under extreme pressure, (A)/ the engineers concluded that it was considerably more preferable to (B)/ the polymer alternative for desalinating water in remote facilities (C)/ where frequent replacement of filtration equipment would be prohibitively expensive. (D)
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   (b) the engineers concluded that it was considerably more preferable to
   (c) the polymer alternative for desalinating water in remote facilities
   (d) where frequent replacement of filtration equipment would be prohibitively expensive
8. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
“Markets at Midnight”, a documentary examining informal commerce (A)/ in several densely populated cities, have received widespread recognition (B)/ for portraying street vendors with unusual sensitivity (C)/ while avoiding simplistic explanations of their economic circumstances (D)
   (a) “Markets at Midnight”, a documentary examining informal commerce
   (b) in several densely populated cities, have received widespread recognition
   (c) for portraying street vendors with unusual sensitivity
   (d) while avoiding simplistic explanations of their economic circumstances
9. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
During a detailed inspection of the collapsed hives, the apiary manager (A)/ discovered that the ventilation slots were sufficiently wide enough (B)/ to maintain a steady flow of air but had been partially obstructed (C)/ by fragments of wax and other accumulated debris. (D)
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   (b) discovered that the ventilation slots were sufficiently wide enough
   (c) to maintain a steady flow of air but had been partially obstructed
   (d) by fragments of wax and other accumulated debris
10. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
Laboratory analysis has identified several strains of wild yeast (A)/ that produces unusually complex flavours when exposed (B)/ to the low temperatures traditionally maintained (C)/ in the region’s underground fermentation chambers. (D)
   (a) Laboratory analysis has identified several strains of wild yeast
   (b) that produces unusually complex flavours when exposed
   (c) to the low temperatures traditionally maintained
   (d) through the region’s underground fermentation chambers



11. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
The maintenance handbook explains that how regular lubrication can reduce (A)/ the wear and tear experienced by printing presses operating continuously (B)/ in humid environments where exposed metal components (C)/ are particularly vulnerable to corrosion. (D)
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    (b) the wear and tear experienced by printing presses operating continuously
    (c) in humid environments where exposed metal components
    (d) are particularly vulnerable to corrosion
12. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
The warehouse supervisor, who the technicians believed was responsible (A)/ for maintaining the voltage-control equipment, ordered an immediate inspection (B)/ of every instrument used to monitor conditions inside the refrigerated facility (C)/ where temperature-sensitive medicines was stored before distribution. (D)
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    (b) for maintaining the voltage-control equipment, ordered an immediate inspection
    (c) of every instrument used to monitor conditions inside the refrigerated facility
    (d) where temperature-sensitive medicines was stored before distribution
13. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
The meteorological handbook carefully distinguishes between a cyclone and a tornado (A)/ and explains why the later's wind field generally extends (B)/ across a much smaller geographical area, although it may still cause (C)/ exceptionally severe damage within a matter of minutes. (D)
    (a) The meteorological handbook carefully distinguishes between a cyclone and a tornado
    (b) and explains why the later's wind field generally extends
    (c) across a much smaller geographical area, although it may still cause
    (d) exceptionally severe damage within a matter of minutes
14. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
The rapid expansion of independent animation studios in the South Korean economy (A)/ have created substantial demand for illustrators and technical artists (B)/ capable of combining traditional storytelling techniques (C)/ with sophisticated computer-generated imagery. (D)

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    (b) have created substantial demand for illustrators and technical artists
    (c) capable of combining traditional storytelling techniques
    (d) with sophisticated computer-generated imagery
15. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
The rediscovery of a tree-frog species formerly believed to be extinct (A)/ barely a decade after its habitat was declared irreversibly degraded (B)/ has encouraged closer cooperation among the two neighbouring provinces (C)/ that share the remaining stretches of cloud forest. (D)
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(d) that share the remaining stretches of cloud forest

16. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
Recent seismic readings suggest that the frequency of micro-earthquakes (A)/ beneath the supposedly dormant volcanic caldera have increased considerably (B)/ since geologists installed a more sensitive network of instruments (C)/ along its unstable northern boundary. (D)
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(b) beneath the supposedly dormant volcanic caldera have increased considerably
(c) since geologists installed a more sensitive network of instruments
(d) along its unstable northern boundary

17. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
The laboratory director determination to keep airborne contamination under control (A)/ has led to the installation of additional filtration units (B)/ capable of removing microscopic particles before they enter (C)/ the chamber where precision optical components are assembled. (D)
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(b) has led to the installation of additional filtration units
(c) capable of removing microscopic particles before they enter
(d) the chamber where precision optical components are assembled

18. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
Every high-rise residential complex must maintain two unobstructed emergency exits, (A)/ according to the revised safety directive introduced after inspectors discovered (B)/ that several older buildings lacked clearly marked evacuation routes, (C)/ issue by the state fire service earlier this year. (D)
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(c) that several older buildings lacked clearly marked evacuation routes
(d) issue by the state fire service earlier this year

19. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
With conventional passwords becoming increasingly vulnerable (A)/ to sophisticated automated attacks, considerable alternative authentication methods (B)/ is essential for organisations responsible for protecting (C)/ confidential commercial and personal information. (D)
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(b) to sophisticated automated attacks, considerable alternative authentication methods
(c) is essential for organisations responsible for protecting
(d) confidential commercial and personal information

20. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
The merchant's private numismatic collection is replete of counterfeit coins (A)/ that imitate rare currencies circulated along ancient caravan routes (B)/ and can deceive inexperienced buyers because their inscriptions (C)/ were reproduced with remarkable precision. (D)



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(b) that imitate rare currencies circulated along ancient caravan routes
(c) and can deceive inexperienced buyers because their inscriptions
(d) were reproduced with remarkable precision

21. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
The international fashion showcase has faced several disruptions, (A)/ with participating labels this year as much as eighteen (B)/ withdrawing after the organisers imposed stricter requirements (C)/ concerning the traceability of fabrics and manufacturing processes. (D)
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22. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
The principal sponsor's abrupt decision to withdraw financial support from the annual typography biennale (A)/ has forced the organisation committee to reduce the number of international exhibits (B)/ and postpones several workshops that were intended (C)/ for designers specialising in endangered writing systems. (D)
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(c) and postpones several workshops that were intended
(d) for designers specialising in endangered writing systems

23. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
The failure of the first prototype proved to be a blessing under disguise, (A)/ because it revealed a fundamental weakness in the control mechanism (B)/ before the device entered large-scale production (C)/ or was supplied to customers in overseas markets. (D)
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(b) because it revealed a fundamental weakness in the control mechanism
(c) before the device entered large-scale production
(d) or was supplied to customers in overseas markets

24. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
Before licensing the predictive algorithm for commercial use, (A)/ the firm should examine the methodological assumptions (B)/ on which their recommendations are based, especially those concerning (C)/ consumer behaviour in rapidly changing markets. (D)
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(b) the firm should examine the methodological assumptions
(c) on which their recommendations are based, especially those concerning
(d) consumer behaviour in rapidly changing markets

25. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
Although the ethnographers did not initially recognised the significance (A)/ of the ritual markings, subsequent conversations with village elders (B)/ revealed that each geometric pattern represented (C)/ a

particular stage in the community's seasonal calendar. (D)
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(b) of the ritual markings, subsequent conversations with village elders
(c) revealed that each geometric pattern represented
(d) a particular stage in the community's seasonal calendar

26. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
The security officer testified that the reinforced vault door was locked (A)/ but a narrow rear window remains open when the night guards arrived (B)/ to investigate the unusual movement detected (C)/ by sensors near the restricted storage area. (D)
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(b) but a narrow rear window remains open when the night guards arrived
(c) to investigate the unusual movement detected
(d) by sensors near the restricted storage area

27. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
Independent game studios began attracting mainstream investors at a time (A)/ where digital distribution platforms were making it possible (B)/ for small development teams to reach international audiences (C)/ without relying on established publishing corporations. (D)
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(b) where digital distribution platforms were making it possible
(c) for small development teams to reach international audiences
(d) without relying on established publishing corporations

28. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
With an unexpected resurgence of interest in mechanical typewriters, (A)/ specialist repair shops have began offering apprenticeships (B)/ to young technicians interested in mastering skills (C)/ that were once thought to be commercially obsolete. (D)
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29. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
References to mechanical calculating devices appear in technical manuscripts (A)/ dating from as early the seventeenth century, although most designs (B)/ remained theoretical because contemporary craftsmen lacked (C)/ the precision tools required to manufacture their intricate components. (D)
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(c) remained theoretical because contemporary craftsmen lacked
(d) the precision tools required to manufacture their intricate components

30. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
After detecting an unexpected instability in the navigation software, (A)/ the systems engineer reverted back to the earlier configuration (B)/ before conducting another series of simulations (C)/ under more demanding operational conditions. (D)



(a) After detecting an unexpected instability in the navigation software
(b) the systems engineer reverted back to the earlier configuration
(c) before conducting another series of simulations
(d) No error

31. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains a noun-related error.
One of the principal rationales cited by the geothermal-drilling consortium for suspending excavation (A)/ was the possibility that fractures in the underlying strata (B)/ might allow contaminants to migrate into aquifers (C)/ serving several dense populated settlements. (D)
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(b) was the possibility that fractures in the underlying strata
(c) might allow contaminants to migrate into aquifers
(d) serving several dense populated settlements

32. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
Having been apprised on the possibility of groundwater contamination, (A)/ the geothermal-drilling consortium postponed further excavation (B)/ until independent specialists could evaluate the permeability (C)/ of the rock formations surrounding the proposed site. (D)
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(b) the geothermal-drilling consortium postponed further excavation
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33. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
Although the environmental review panel recognised the dam's potential economic benefits, (A)/ it regarded the disruption of downstream wetlands as such serious an ecological threat (B)/ that final approval would remain withheld (C)/ until the developers submitted a satisfactory mitigation plan. (D)
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(b) it regarded the disruption of downstream wetlands as such serious an ecological threat
(c) that final approval would remain withheld
(d) until the developers submitted a satisfactory mitigation plan

34. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains a quantifier-related error.
The environmental review panel acknowledged that the proposed dam could generate a substantial amount of electricity (A)/ but concluded that only a little of the safeguards proposed by the developers (B)/ adequately addressed the danger of habitat fragmentation (C)/ across the downstream wetlands. (D)
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(b) but concluded that only a little of the safeguards proposed by the developers
(c) adequately addressed the danger of habitat fragmentation
(d) across the downstream wetlands

35. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
Although several unlicensed service providers had operated within its jurisdiction



for over a year, (A)/ the telecommunications regulator denied to overlook repeated warnings about them, (B)/ maintaining that their activities had remained undetected (C)/ because they routed their traffic through servers registered abroad. (D)

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(b) the telecommunications regulator denied to overlook repeated warnings about them
(c) maintaining that their activities had remained undetected
(d) because they routed their traffic through servers registered abroad

36. Q. Parts of the given sentence have been given as options. Select the option that contains an error.
To eliminate calibration drift, the aviation regulator recommended (A)/ that every altimeter installed in the affected aircraft undergoes (B)/ an independent pressure-chamber test before being certified (C)/ for operation at exceptionally high cruising altitudes. (D)

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(c) an independent pressure-chamber test before being certified
(d) for operation at exceptionally high cruising altitudes

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7.B	8.B	9.B	10.B	11.A	12.D
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