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Directions:

In the following questions, one part of the sentence may have an error. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and choose the option corresponding to it. If the sentence is free from error, choose "No error".

Q1. They will (1)/ leave the office at six and (2)/ reach at home by seven. (3)/ No error (4)

- a) They will
- b) leave the office at six and
- c) reach at home by seven.
- d) No error

Q2. The new lecturer (1)/ seems to be very popular with (2)/ most of the class. (3)/ No error (4)

- a) The new lecturer
- b) seems to be very popular with
- c) most of the class.
- d) No error

Q3. The museum's revolving doors (1)/ stopped the crooks (2)/ as they jam half way round. (3)/ No error (4)

- a) The museum's revolving doors
- b) stopped the crooks
- c) as they jam half way round.
- d) No error

Q4. He had no (1)/ accuse for attacking (2)/ that old man. (3)/ No error (4)

- a) He had no
- b) accuse for attacking
- c) that old man.
- d) No error

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Q5. Mothers keep on (1)/ to encouraging their children (2)/ to study. (3)/ No error (4)

- a) Mothers keep on
- b) to encouraging their children
- c) to study.
- d) No error

Q6. Mohan wishes (a)/ he will be (b)/ richer. (c)/ No error (d)

- a) Mohan wishes
- b) he will be
- c) richer.
- d) No error

Q7. I am not familiar with (a)/ all the important places in this town (b)/ although I had been living here for two years. (c)/ No error (d)

- a) I am not familiar with
- b) all the important places in this town
- c) although I had been living here for two years.

d) No error

Q8. The receptionist gave us (a)/ much informations (b)/ which we needed. (c)/ No error (d)

a) The receptionist gave us

b) much informations

c) which we needed.

d) No error

Q9. Everyday we hear about (a)/ senior citizens being robbed (b)/ and even kill in cold blood. (c)/ No error (d)

a) Everyday we hear about

b) senior citizens being robbed

c) and even kill in cold blood.

d) No error

Q10. Ravi Shankar's performance was given (1)/ a standing ovation by the (2)/ people who has come to hear him. (3)/ No error (4)

a) Ravi Shankar's performance was given

b) a standing ovation by the

c) people who has come to hear him.

d) No error

Q11. People are wanting / to see the home team / win the game.

a) People are wanting

b) to see the home team

c) win the game.

d) No error

Q12. He was elected / as chairman / of the college.

- a) He was elected
- b) as chairman
- c) of the college.
- d) No error

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Q13. Candidates present in the examination hall / should make use / with such opportunities.

- a) Candidates present in the examination hall
- b) should make use
- c) with such opportunities.
- d) No error

Q14. He said that it was the first time / that such a trick / is discovered.

- a) He said that it was the first time
- b) that such a trick
- c) is discovered.
- d) No error

Q15. I saw his / unbelievably really quite / delightful cottage.

- a) I saw his
- b) unbelievably really quite
- c) delightful cottage.
- d) No error

Answers to the above questions :

Q1. Answer: (c)

Reach (Verb) = to arrive at

Look at the sentence : They did not reach the border until after dark.

It is not proper to use preposition 'at' with reach here.

Q2. Answer: (d)

In this sentence no error has been found.

Q3. Answer: (c)

The sentence shows past time.

Hence, Past simple i.e. as they jammed half way round should be used here.

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Q4. Answer: (b)

Accuse (verb) = to say that somebody has done

something wrong or is guilty of something.

Excuse (Noun) = a reason, either true or invented that you give to explain or defend your behaviour.

Hence, excuse (Noun) for attacking ... should be used here.

Q5. Answer: (b)

Keep on doing something = continue doing something. It is superfluous to use preposition 'to'.

Don't keep on interrupting me!

Keep on (at somebody) about something = to speak to somebody often.

I will do it – just don't keep on at me about it.

Q6. Answer: (b)

May/might is used when showing wishes and hopes. Hence, he may (might) be should be used here.

Q7. Answer: (c)

The work continued in the past and still goes on.

Hence, Present perfect continuous i.e. although I have been living here for two years should be used here

Q8. Answer: (b)

Information (Uncountable Noun) = facts or details about somebody/something. e.g. a piece of information; pieces of information. It is incorrect to use informations as the plural of information.

Hence, much information/ many pieces of information should be used here.

Q9. Answer: (c)

Being is followed by past participle i.e. and even killed in cold blood.

Q10. Answer: (c)

The sentence shows past time. Hence, Past perfect i.e. people who had come to hear him should be used here.

Q11. Answer: (a)

Want (not usually used in the progressive tenses) = to have a desire or a wish for something.

Look at the sentence : All I want is the truth.

Hence, Present simple i.e. People want should be used here. The sentence shows a general wish/ desire.

Q12. Answer: (b)

Look at the sentence He was elected (as) MP for Oxford East.

Hence, it is not proper to use 'as' here.

Q13. Answer: (c)

Make use of somebody/something = to use something/ somebody, especially in order to get an advantage.

Hence, of such opportunities should be used here.

Q14. Answer: (c)

The sentence is in indirect speech and reporting verb is in past tense.

Hence, past tense i.e. was discovered should be used here.

Q15. Answer: (b)

It is an error of triple adverbs.

Hence, unbelievable and really/really unbelievable and quite should be used here.

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