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Directions:

In each of the following questions, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech.

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- Q1. Mother told me that I should listen to her first and then do anything as I pleased.
- a) Mother said to me, "He should listen to her first and then do anything he pleases."
- b) Mother said to me, "You should listen to me first and then do anything I pleased."
- c) Mother said to me, "You should listen to me first and then do anything as you please."
- d) Mother said to me, "I should listen to me first and then do anything I please."
- Q2. He said, "They will be using my car for the trip."
- a) He said that they would be using his car for the trip.
- b) He said that we will be using his car for the trip.
- c) He said that they will be using my car for the trip.
- d) He said that they would be using my car for the trip.
- Q3. The wayfarer said to me, "Do you know the way to the Asiad village?"
- a) The wayfarer asked me if I knew the way to the Asiad village.
- b) The wayfarer asked me if he knew the way to the Asiad village.
- c) The wayfarer asked me that if I knew the way to the Asiad village.
- d) The wayfarer asked me if I did know the way to the Asiad village.

- **Q4.** The spectators applauded the young athlete saying that he had broken all previous records.
- a) The spectators exclaimed to the young athlete, "You have broken all records."
- b) The spectators said to the young athlete, "You broke all records."
- c) The spectators said to the young athlete, "You had broken all records."
- d) The spectators said to the young athlete, "Bravo! You have broken all records."

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- Q5. He said to Raina, "I cannot marry you now but I shall surely do so next year."
- a) He told her that he could not marry Raina then but would surely marry her next year.
- b) He told Raina that he could not marry her then but he would surely do so the following year.
- c) He told Raina that he would not marry her then but would surely do so the next year.
- d) He told Raina that he cannot marry her now but would surely do so the following year.
- **Q6.** He said, "Gandhi ji faced many awkward situations when he was living in South Africa."
- a) He says that Gandhi ji faced many awkward situations when he was living in South Africa.
- b) He told that Gandhi ji had faced many awkward situations when he was living in South Africa.
- c) He said that Gandhi ji had been facing awkward situations when he was living in South Africa.
- d) He said that Gandhi ji had faced many awkward situations when he was living in South Africa.
- Q7. Mr. Rao told Mr. Mehta that he had to go to the town that day.

- a) Mr. Rao said, "Mr. Mehta I have to go to the town that day."
- b) Mr. Rao said, "Mr. Mehta, I have to go to the town today."
- c) Mr. Rao said, "Mr. Mehta I will have to go to the town today."
- d) Mr. Rao said, "I have to go to the town today."

Q8. They told us that they had waited at the station for a long time.

- a) They told us, "We had been waiting at the station for a long time".
- b) They told us, "We are waiting at the station for a long time".
- c) They told us, "We wait at the station for a long time."
- d) They told us, "We waited at the station for a long time".

Q9. He told Pawan that they should have tried harder.

- a) He said, "Pawan you should have tried harder."
- b) He said, "Pawan, Don't you think we should have tried harder."
- c) He said, "Pawan, we had tried harder."
- d) He said to Pawan, "We should have tried harder."

Q10. The boss said to him, "Please tell me what the old man said today."

- a) The boss requested him to tell him what the old man had said today.
- b) The boss requested him to tell him what the old man said that day.
- c) The boss requested him to tell him what the old man said today
- d) The boss requested him to tell him what the old man had said that day.

Q11. The teacher said, "Tell me students, what have you learnt from the lectures this week?"

- a) The teacher asked the students to tell him what they learnt from the lectures that week.
- b) The teacher wanted to know what the students learnt from the lectures that week.

- c) The teacher asked the students to tell him what they had learnt from the lectures that week.
- d) The teacher asked the students what they learnt from the lectures that week.

Q12. I said to you, "He should not be trusted."

- a) I told you that he cannot be trusted.
- b) I told you he shall not be trusted.
- c) I told you that he should not be trusted.
- d) I said to you do not trust him.

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Q13. The clerk said to the visitor, "Shall I ask these people to wait for you?"

- a) The clerk asked the visitor if he shall ask these people to wait for him.
- b) The clerk asked the visitor if he had asked those people to wait for him.
- c) The clerk told the visitor that he should ask these people to wait for him.
- d) The clerk asked the visitor if he should ask those people to wait for him.

Q14. The doctor advised the patients to give up smoking.

- a) The doctor said to the patients, "You should give up smoking."
- b) The doctor said to the patients, "Give up smoking."
- c) The doctor said to the patient, "I am advising you to give up smoking."
- d) The doctor said to the patients, "Why don't you give up smoking?"

Q15. He said to me, "Please be kind and help me."

a) He told me to kindly help him.

- b) He requested me to be kind to help him.
- c) He requested me to be kind and help him.
- d) He requested to me to help him kindly.

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Answers to the above questions:

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