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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. The teacher said that the burglar had broken into the office.

- a) The teacher said, "The burglar break into the office."
- b) The teacher said, "The burglar broken into the office."
- c) The teacher said, "The burglar was broken in the office."
- d) The teacher said, "The burglar had broken into the office."

Q2. He asks which chair he is to sit on.

- a) He asked, "Which chair he is to sit on?"
- b) "Which chair am I to sit on?" asks he.
- c) He said, "Which chair should I sit on?"
- d) He said, "Which chair am I to sit on?"

Q3. He said, "How can a Zebra talk?"

- a) He questioned a Zebra talking.
- b) He asked how a Zebra could talk.
- c) He was amazed how a Zebra can talk.
- d) He wondered how a Zebra talks.

Q4. I said to you, "I can not be blamed for this."

- a) I told you that I could not be blamed for that.
- b) I said you that I can not be blamed for this.
- c) I said to you that I can not be blamed for this.
- d) I told you that you could not be blamed for that.

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Q5. "Are you the same person I met in the park?" I asked.

- a) Was he the same person I met in the park I asked the stranger.
- b) I asked the stranger if I was the same person he had met in the park.
- c) I asked the stranger if he was the same person I met in the park.
- d) I asked the stranger if he was the same person I had met in the park.

Q6. She said, "We were thinking of selling the house but we had decided not to".

- a) She said that they thought of selling the house but decided not to.
- b) She said that they have been thinking of selling the house but decided not to.
- c) She said that they had been thinking of selling the house but had decided not to.
- d) She said that they were thinking of selling the house but they decided not to.

Q7. The guide suggested, "Let's rest here for a while."

- a) The guide suggested that we rest there.
- b) The guide suggested we should rest for a while.
- c) The guide suggested resting for a while there.
- d) The guide suggested that we should rest there for a while.

Q8. "I always keep a tin of biscuits in my room, girls."

- a) The matron informed the girls that she always kept a tin of biscuits in her room.
 - b) The matron told the girls that she would always keep a tin of biscuits in her room.
 - c) The matron told the girls that she had kept a tin of biscuits in her room.
 - d) The matron said that she always keeps a tin of biscuits in her room.
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Q9. Salim told Ajay that he would return the book to him the next day.

- a) Salim said, "I will be returning the book to you tomorrow, Ajay."
 - b) "Ajay, I will return the book to you tomorrow,"said Salim.
 - c) "Ajay will return this book to you tomorrow,"said Salim.
 - d) "I will return this book to you the next day,"said Salim.
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Q10. Mother said, "Don't step out of the house in the summer season."

- a) The mother threatened the children not to step out of the house in the summer season.
 - b) The mother persuaded the children not to step out of the house in the summer season.
 - c) The mother advised the children not to step out of the house in the summer season.
 - d) The mother requested the children not to step out in the summer season.
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Q11. He exclaimed with regret that he was perished by the people he had made.

- a) He said, "Alas! I have perished by the people I have made."
 - b) He said, "Alas! I am perished by the people I have made."
 - c) He said, "Alas! I am perished by the people I made"
 - d) He said, "Alas! I perished by the people I made."
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Q12. He said that she was coming that year.

- a) He said, "She is coming this year."
- b) He said, "Come this year."

c) He said, "She was coming that year."

d) He said, "She will come this year."

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Q13. The boss said, "Please give me the latest reports."

a) The boss wanted to please the latest reports.

b) The boss wanted the latest reports, please.

c) The boss requested for the latest reports.

d) The boss said to please give the latest reports.

Q14. She said, "I've been in this school since 1998."

a) She said that she have been in this school since 1998.

b) She said that she was in this school since 1998.

c) She said that she was being in that school since 1998.

d) She said that she had been in that school since 1998.

Q15. He told me, "Your train will leave if you do not go at once."

a) He told me that my train will leave if I do not go at that moment.

b) He told me that his train would leave if he did not go that moment.

c) He told me that my train would leave if I did not go that moment.

d) He told me that his train will leave if he did not go at once.

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Answers to the above questions :

Q1. Answer: (d)

Q2. Answer: (b)

Q3. Answer: (b)

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Q4. Answer: (a)

Q5. Answer: (d)

Q6. Answer: (c)

Q7. Answer: (d)

In such sentences Let is replaced by should. Should is used after the Pro.

That is used to join both the parts of the sentence.

Q8. Answer: (a)

Q9. Answer: (b)

Q10. Answer: (c)

out of the house in the summer season. (I.S.)

out of the house in the summer season.” (D.S.)

In Imp. Sent. don't (D.S.) changes to not to (I.S.)

Q11. Answer: (b)

Q12. Answer: (a)

Q13. Answer: (c)

the latest reports.” (D.S.)

In order to change an Imperative Sent. into a to-Inf. or any other Prep. is used.

This sentence can be changed as follows also :

I The boss requested me to give him the latest reports.

Q14. Answer: (d)

Q15. Answer: (c)

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