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Directions:

In 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 form.

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- Q1. I said to may friend, "Can I borrow your dictionary for one day only?"
- a) I asked my friend if I could borrow his dictionary for one day only.
- b) I requested my friend if I can borrow his dictionary for one day only.
- c) I told my friend I could borrow his dictionary for one day only.
- d) I asked my friend if I might borrow his dictionary for one day only.
- Q2. The teacher said to me, "I hope you will bring credit to my school."
- a) The teacher said that I will bring credit to his school.
- b) The teacher desired that I bring credit to his school.
- c) The teacher hoped that I would bring credit to his school.
- d) The teacher wished that I would bring credit to my school.
- Q3. The guide said to the swimmer, "Don't swim out too far."
- a) The guide forbade the swimmer from swimming out too far.
- b) The guide suggested the swimmer that don't swim out too far.
- c) The guide told the swimmer to not swim out too far.
- d) The guide asked the swimmer from swimming out too far.

- **Q4.** "They are late," she has already told us.
- a) She told us that they are already late.
- b) She has already told us (that) they are late.
- c) She has already been telling us that they are late.
- d) She told us that they are late already.

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- **Q5.** The boy thanked the Principal for granting him a fee-concession.
- a) The boy said to the Principal, "I am thankful to you for a fee-concession."
- b) The boy told the Principal, "You are kind enough to grant me a fee-concession."
- c) The boy said to the Principal, "Thank you, madam for granting me a fee-concession."
- d) The boy said to the Principal, "I express my thanks that you have granted me a feeconcession."
- **Q6.** He asked me if I would like to have lunch with him that day.
- a) He said to me, "You can if you like to have lunch with me today."
- b) He said to me, "Would you like to have lunch with me today?"
- c) He said to me, "Can you have lunch with me today?"
- d) He said to me, "Do you like to have lunch with me today?"
- Q7. The teacher said to him, "Do not go out."
- a) The teacher told him do not go out.
- b) The teacher advised him not to go out.
- c) The teacher commanded him that he should not go out.
- d) The teacher ordered him to not go out.

- Q8. Dr. Ratan said to the patient, "Take light food and do not go out in the Sun."
- a) Dr. Ratan advised the patient to take light food and do not go out in the Sun.
- b) Dr. Ratan advised the patient to take light food and not go out in the Sun.
- c) Dr. Ratan advised the patient to take light food and not to go out in the Sun.
- d) Dr. Ratan advised the patient to take light food and to do not go out in the Sun.
- Q9. I'll say to my friends, "I have started learning computer."
- a) I'll tell my friends that I am learning computer.
- b) I'll tell my friends that I had started learning computer.
- c) I'll tell my friends that I learn computer.
- d) I'll tell my friends that I have started learning computer.
- Q10. I said, "Good bye, my beloved friends."
- a) I bided good bye to my beloved friends.
- b) I said good bye to my beloved friends.
- c) I wished my beloved friends good bye.
- d) I bade my beloved friends good bye.
- Q11. The teacher said, "Don't come to school on Monday because it is a holiday."
- a) The teacher told us not to come to school on Monday because it is a holiday.
- b) The teacher told us don't come to school on Monday because it is a holiday.
- c) The teacher asked us don't come to school on Monday because it is a holiday.
- d) The teacher asked if we were coming to school on Monday because it is a holiday
- Q12. My father said to me, "Will you sit and study at least now."
- a) My father asked me whether I can sit and study at least then.
- b) My father enquired me if I would sit and study at least now.

- c) My father asked me if I would sit and study at least then.
- d) My father asked me if I will sit and study at least then.

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Q13. They said, "We were living in Paris."

- a) They said they might have been living in Paris.
- b) They told me they had lived in Paris.
- c) They told me that they had been living in Paris.
- d) They said they would have lived in Paris.

Q14. "What an excellent piece of art!" she said.

- a) She had exclaimed that it was an excellent piece of art.
- b) She exclaimed what an excellent piece of art was it.
- c) She exclaimed with surprise was it an excellent piece of art.
- d) She exclaimed with appreciation that it was an excellent piece of art.

Q15. Vipul said, "Alas! How thoughtless I have been!"

- a) Vipul exclaimed how thoughtless I have been.
- b) Vipul regretted upon my thoughtlessness.
- c) Vipul admitted that he had been thoughtless.
- d) Vipul confessed with regret that he had been thoughtless.

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Answers to the above questions:

Q1. Answer: (a)
Q2. Answer: (c)
Q3. Answer: (a) out too far. (I.S.) forbade (V.): to order somebody not to do something don't is replaced by not to in I.S.
forbade has a negative meaning. So, another negative will not be used with it.
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Q4. Answer: (b)
Q5. Answer: (c)

Q6. Answer: (b)
Q7. Answer: (b) [In Imperative, Negative Sentences do not is removed and not to is used in I.S.]
Q8. Answer: (c)
Q9. Answer: (d)
Q10. Answer: (d)
bid (V.): to say good morning, goodbye, etc. to somebody
bid (Present)- bade (Past)- bidden (Past Participle)
Q11. Answer: (a)
Q12. Answer: (c)
Q13. Answer: (c)
Q14. Answer: (d)

Q15. Answer: (d)

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