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Directions:

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

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Q1. The boys respectfully wished their teacher good morning.

- a) "Good morning," said the boys to the teacher.
- b) "Good morning, Madam," said the boys to the teacher.
- c) "Good morning, Madam," said the boys to their teacher.
- d) "Good morning," said the boys to their teacher.

Q2. Ramesh informed his friend that he could make use of his car while he was away.

- a) Ramesh said to his friend, "Use my car while I go away".
- b) Ramesh said to his friend, "You can make use of my car while I am away".
- c) Ramesh asked his friend, "Will you make use of my car while I am away ?"
- d) Ramesh said to his friend, "You will make use of my car while I was away".

Q3. "Call the witness", said the magistrate.

- a) The magistrate begged for calling the witness.
- b) The magistrate ordered to call the witness.
- c) The magistrate prayed to call the witness.
- d) The magistrate requested to call the witness.

Q4. Mr Robinson asked his son what he wanted to be when he grew up.

- a) “My son,” said Mr Robinson, “what do you want to be when you grow up ?”
- b) Mr Robinson said, “My son, what did you want to be when you grew up ?”
- c) Mr Robinson said, “My son, what would you be when you grow up ?”
- d) “My son,” said Mr Robinson, “what will you be when you grow up ?”

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Q5. The king said to his men, “Do not be afraid of the enemy. Face them bravely.”

- a) The king asked his men to not be afraid of the enemy but they should be faced bravely.
- b) The king advised his men not to be afraid of the enemy but to face them bravely.
- c) The king told his men not to be afraid of the enemy and they had faced them bravely.
- d) The king ordered his men to not be afraid of the enemy and that they had to be faced bravely.

Q6. She said to me, “I’m going shopping. Can I get you something ?”

- a) She said she was going shopping and asked if I wanted something.
- b) She said she was going shopping and asked if she could get me something.
- c) She said she is going shopping and asked if she could get me something.
- d) She said she was going shopping and said to me if I wanted something.

Q7. Rahul says that Azhar loves cricket.

- a) Rahul said, “Azhar loved cricket”.
- b) Rahul says, “Azhar loved cricket”.
- c) Rahul says, “Azhar loves cricket”.
- d) Rahul said, “Azhar loves cricket”.

Q8. The girl wondered where the sparrows had gone.

- a) The girl said, "Oh ! Where are the sparrows ?"
 - b) The girl said, "Oh ! Where had the sparrows gone ?"
 - c) The girl said, "Oh ! Where have the sparrows gone ?"
 - d) The girl said, "Oh! Where the sparrows have gone ?"
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Q9. Kannan said to Subha, "I'll return the book after I have read it".

- a) Kannan told Subha that he would return the book after he has read it.
 - b) Kannan told Subha that he will return the book after he read it.
 - c) Kannan told Subha that he would return the book after he had read it.
 - d) Kannan told Subha that he will return the book after he has read it.
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Q10. "I'm taking my children to the zoo tomorrow", she said, "to see the baby white tiger".

- a) She said that she would take the children to the zoo the next day to see the baby white tiger.
 - b) She said that she was taking her children to the zoo the next day to see the baby white tiger.
 - c) She said that she was taking the children to the zoo that day to see the baby white tiger.
 - d) She said that she will take the children to the zoo to see the baby white tiger tomorrow.
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Q11. The convict said, "Let me speak freely please".

- a) The convict requested that he must be allowed to speak freely.
 - b) The convict requested that he be allowed to speak freely.
 - c) The convict proposed that he might be allowed to speak freely.
 - d) The convict suggested that he must be allowed to speak freely.
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Q12. John said, "I shall be 21 tomorrow".

- a) John said that he would be 21 the following day.
- b) John said that he should be 21 the following day.
- c) John said that I shall be 21 tomorrow.
- d) John said that he would be 21 tomorrow.

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Q13. She said, "I am sorry, I am not able to submit those papers".

- a) She said that she was sorry and she will not be able to submit those papers.
- b) She apologized for not being able to submit those papers.
- c) She exclaimed with sorrow that she was sorry and she will not be able to submit those papers.
- d) She said she was sorry, she is not able to submit those papers.

Q14. John said to me, "Where have you been last night ?"

- a) John asked me where I have been the previous night.
- b) John asked me where I am the previous night.
- c) John asked me where I had been the previous night.
- d) John asked me where had I been the previous night.

Q15. "Have you done this sort of work before ?" said his new employer.

- a) His new employer asked him whether he has done this sort of work before.
- b) His new employer asked him whether he had done that sort of work before.
- c) His new employer asked him whether he had done this sort of work before.
- d) His new employer asked him whether he has done that sort of work before.

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Answers to the above questions :

Q1. Answer: (c)

Q2. Answer: (b)

Q3. Answer: (b)

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Q4. Answer: (a)

Q5. Answer: (b)

Q6. Answer: (b)

Q7. Answer: (c)

If the Rep. V. is in the S. Pr., there is no change in the Tense of the V. in the Indirect Speech.

Q8. Answer: (c)

Q9. Answer: (c)

Q10. Answer: (b)

Q11. Answer: (b)

Q12. Answer: (a)

Q13. Answer: (b)

Q14. Answer: (c)

Q15. Answer: (b)

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