



Spotting Errors



for

NDA/CDS/AFCAT

Directions: Each item in this section has a sentence with three parts labelled as (a), (b) and (c). Read each sentence to find out whether there is any error in any part and indicate your response on the Answer Sheet against the corresponding letter, i.e., (a) or (b) or (c). If you find no error, your response should be indicated as (d).

DAY 3



THE TUTORS ACADEMY

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Question 1

(a) He is one of the students / (b) who has been selected / (c) for the scholarship program. / (d) No error.

Question 2

(a) Neither the minister nor his advisors / (b) were present at the meeting / (c) to discuss the agenda. / (d) No error.

Question 3

(a) The country has been facing / (b) severe economic challenges / (c) since the past two decades. / (d) No error.

Question 4

(a) The book, as well as the research papers, / (b) provide valuable insights / (c) into the subject of climate change. / (d) No error.

Question 5

(a) The team was informed that / (b) they must finish the project / (c) before the deadline of 15th April. / (d) No error.

Question 6

(a) The lecture was attended by / (b) many eminent personalities, / (c) including the chief minister and the governor. / (d) No error.

Question 7

(a) She insisted to accompany / (b) her brother to the event, / (c) despite being unwell. / (d) No error.

Question 8

(a) The contractor promised that / (b) the work would be finished / (c) within one month's time. / (d) No error.

Question 9

(a) The farmers were demanding / (b) for higher minimum support prices / (c) for their crops. / (d) No error.

Question 10

(a) The survey revealed that / (b) most of the respondents prefer / (c) to shop online than offline. / (d) No error.

Question 11

(a) If I was in your position, / **(b)** I would have handled the situation / **(c)** differently. / **(d)** No error.

Question 12

(a) The conference, which was scheduled for next week, / **(b)** has been postponed / **(c)** due to unforeseen circumstances. / **(d)** No error.

Question 13

(a) The policy aims at reducing / **(b)** the dependency of imported goods / **(c)** to boost domestic manufacturing. / **(d)** No error.

Question 14

(a) The new project requires / **(b)** adequate funds, as well as / **(c)** proper planning and execution. / **(d)** No error.

Question 15

(a) The villagers complained that / **(b)** the government has not / **(c)** provided any relief measures. / **(d)** No error.

ANSWER WITH EXPLANATION

1. Part (b)

Correction: Replace **has** with **have**.

Explanation: The relative pronoun **who** refers to **students**, which is plural, so the verb should also be plural (**have**).

2. Part (b)

Correction: Replace **were** with **was**.

Explanation: When **neither...nor** is used, the verb agrees with the nearest subject (**minister**), which is singular.

3. Part (c)

Correction: Replace **since** with **for**.

Explanation: **Since** is used for a specific point in time, while **for** is used for a duration.

4. Part (b)

Correction: Replace **provide** with **provides**.

Explanation: The subject is **The book**, which is singular, so the verb must agree in number.

5. Part (b)

Correction: Replace **must** with **had to**.

Explanation: In reported speech, **must** changes to **had to**.

6. Part (d) No error.

Explanation: The sentence is grammatically correct.

7. Part (a)

Correction: Replace **to accompany** with **on accompanying**.

Explanation: The verb **insisted** is followed by **on + gerund**.

8. Part (c)

Correction: Remove **time**.

Explanation: The phrase **within one month's time** is redundant;
within one month is sufficient.

9. Part (b)

Correction: Remove **for** after **demanding**.

Explanation: The verb **demand** does not require a preposition.

10. Part (c)

Correction: Replace **than** with **to**.

Explanation: The correct phrase is **prefer to shop online to offline**.

11. Part (a)

Correction: Replace **was** with **were**.

Explanation: In conditional sentences, the subjunctive mood is used, so **were** is correct.

12. Part (d)

Explanation: The sentence is grammatically correct.

13. Part (b)

Correction: Replace of with on.

Explanation: The correct phrase is **dependency on**, not **dependency of**.

14. Part (d)

Explanation: The sentence is grammatically correct.

15. Part (b)

Correction: Replace has with had.

Explanation: The main verb is in the past tense (**complained**), so the subordinate clause should also be in the past tense.